



Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Back! Hope you had a great October holiday. It was lovely to see all the children back in school last week looking so smart and rested. We have a very exciting term to look forward to.

## **After School Club**

As you know we have been working hard for many months with Community Renewal to access funds from the People's Health Lottery to support provision of an after school club. We are making good progress with this and are now at the stage where we need to re-assess numbers. If you would use an after school club please complete the form at the end of this newsletter and return it to the school office. Please be aware there will be a cost for the after school club so please only return the form if you would be willing to pay. The cost will hopefully be subsidised by the funds received from the People's Health Trust but until we know how many people would use the club each day we can't give you an exact figure. It would be no more than £8 per day.

## **Christmas Fayre**

This year's Christmas Fayre takes place on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 12.15pm till 3pm. We are hoping to build on the success of last year's event but we need volunteers to make this happen. If you can help please come along to our meeting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm in the Meeting Room at school.

## **ParentPay**

The Council have made us aware that they will be rolling out a system to schools called ParentPay which allows parents/carers to pay for items such as school lunches/trips etc online. We don't have much information about how this will work presently but we will keep you updated. Plans are in place to roll this out in January 2017.

## **Pupil Absence**

As you know it is extremely important that children are in school as much as possible. Every day they miss has a negative effect on their attainment and their enjoyment of school. We would discourage parents/carers from taking holidays during term



time as this creates big gaps in children's learning. If your child is absent due to illness this is totally understandable but please ensure you call the office to inform them of any absences before 9am.

### **Permission for Trips**

Attending school excursions is an integral part of children's learning experience and we strive to organise many such experiences throughout the school year. Please check your child's bag each day for any letter and ensure they are sent back to school in time to allow your child to go on the trip.

### **Christmas Events**

As always we will send you a Christmas Calendar in a few weeks detailing all of the arrangements for Christmas Events in school. This week we will be sending out a letter regarding our trip to the Panto for P1-7 children. We are sending this out early in order to allow you to spread the cost between now and Christmas.

### **Parent Consultations and Learning Profiles**

Thank you for returning your forms for the upcoming Parent Consultations. Slips with the times for your appointments will be sent out later this week. Your child's first Learning Profile for this year will be sent out next week.

### **Children in Need**

This year Children in Need takes place on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November. We are inviting children to come to school wearing something spotty. This could be clothes or some spots drawn on their face. We would welcome any donations big or small to be handed in with the children on that day.

### **P7 Open Evening**

A reminder for P7 parents/carers that the Open Evening for children and parents is on Thursday this week at 6.30pm at the new high school on Milton Road. This is a great opportunity to meet staff and have a tour of the amazing new facility. The School Captains and Vice Captains and I had a tour last week and it is definitely worth a visit. Our children are so lucky to be able to access such a first class place for learning for their secondary education.

Wishing you a good week ahead.

Yours sincerely

Kevin Brack  
Head Teacher



## After School Club Note of Interest

Name of child(ren)

Please give details of which days and how often you would use the club

Name of parent/carer and best way to contact you.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.



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