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School Values

Responsible Excellence Share Polite Encourage Communicate Truth

Newsletter - 18th January 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Many thanks to all of those parents/carers who attended the Year 2 & 6 SATs & Year 1 Phonics meetings this week. It is always good to catch up with you and share information, particularly about the important events coming up this year such as these. There have been lots of changes to assessment and testing for primary school children and we know that when parents/carers work with us, your children have a better chance of achieving well. Please see below details of two more important meetings next week.

If you have any questions about the changes, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Diane Barrick, Headteacher

Year 5 Parents/Carers - SRE Meeting

As part of our school's personal, social, health education programme (PSHE), the children in Year 5 will begin lessons relating to Personal Health and Relationship Wellbeing (including Sex and Relationship Education) during the Spring term. In order to provide parents/carers with information about these sessions, we would like to invite you to view the materials that we will be using at a meeting on **Tuesday 22nd January 2019 at 3:30pm** in Oak Class. It will be a chance to learn about what is statutory for children to learn in Year 5; ask questions and discuss your thoughts and feelings about the resources and the school's policy.

Nursery Parents/Carers - Phonics Meeting

Calling all parents/carers of children in the Nursery! You are invited to attend a Read Write Inc information session on Wednesday 23rd January at 11.00 am and 3.00 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to inform you of how Phonics is taught in the Nursery, as well as provide you with suggestions on how to support your child's learning at home.

Maths at Carpenters

Yippee! We have finally reached our school registration target of 75% of all parents.

If you haven't signed up, please do so that you can access your children's homework at home. We would love to turn 75% into 100%.

To sign up - you require your child's class code. Class codes can be found in your child's homework books.

Please make sure that you spend 10 mins every fortnight playing games and exploring the content with your children.

A huge thank you to all of our families who regularly upload photos and comments onto the Maths with Parents learning areas. We love looking at what you have been up to.

Packed lunches

As a school, we are currently able to offer free school meals to all our children. These meals are designed to be part of a nutritious, balanced diet and to promote the idea that nutrition in childhood can help to prevent a variety of health problems, both in the short term and later in life. We recognise however, that some families and children would prefer to bring in food from home. As a school, we have a responsibility to ensure that these packed lunches reflect the high standards that our school meals offer.

We are concerned that the contents of some lunch boxes can be unhealthy and predominantly contain foods with high levels of fat, sugar and salt - with very few fruit and vegetables.

The short term effects of unhealthy packed lunches and food intake can include poor growth, tooth decay, obesity, anaemia, constipation, poor concentration and behavioural problems which may have an impact on a child's learning.

Next week, we will be sharing with parents/carers our school policy on packed lunches. In the meantime, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact members of the school's Leadership Team. There are also some great ideas for healthy packed lunches on

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/school-packed-lunch-inspiration>

PTA / Change Team

Do you care about Wellbeing? Would you like to be more involved in the life of the school?

As part of our ongoing efforts towards the Wellbeing Award, Miss Hobbs is setting up a *Change Team* that will be made up of both staff and parents/carers to bring about positive change at Carpenters. We would like a team of committed parents/carers who could help out by supporting at events such as coffee mornings or working with parents and children to raise the profile of Wellbeing at the school. No matter how much time you have available - whether it be weekly or half termly - you could be a valued member of the team. Contact Miss Hobbs if you would like to play a part or if you'd like more information.

Dates for your diary

22 nd Jan	Year 5 Parent/Carer Meeting - SRE
23 rd Jan	Year N Parent/Carer Meeting - Phonics
28 th Jan	Year 5 Parent/Carer Meeting - Fairplay House
w/c 4 th Feb	e-Safety Week & Bring a Parent/Carer Week
5 th Feb	e-Safety Parent/Carer Workshops
5 th Feb	Safer Internet Day
5 th Feb	Chinese New Year
8 th Feb	Chinese New Year Assembly - 2.30pm - Yr 2 - All Welcome
15 th Feb	SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM
25 th Feb	Children return to school

Whole School Attendance - w/e 18th January 2019

EYFS & KS1:

Sunflower - 89.6%	Snowdrop - 88.6%
Bluebell - 92.0%	Marigold - 97.1% Well Done!
Daisy - 95.2	Poppy - 96.1%

KS2:

Rose - 95.2%	Fern - 97.1%
Willow - 98.3%	Pine - 98.7% Excellent!
Chestnut - 98.6	Oak - 96.7%
Tulip - 96.7%	Holly - 96.2%

Whole School Attendance this week (w/e 18th January 2019) - 95.5%
Whole School Attendance so far - 4th September to 18th January 2019 - 96.3%
****New Whole School Target - 96.4%****

Well done to Marigold and Pine for best attendance this week!

Keep working hard to ensure your child attends school every day and on time (8.55am)!

Achievement Awards

** Star of the Week - Responsible**

Alexis Munox-Duran, Daiza Clanca, Isra Abdur-Rahman, Artak Parsilian, Michael Phillips, Arav Mehrotra, Danielius Zareckas, Liliyan Somirova, Siddratul Mehjabeen, Tazkirah Uddin, Hemel Bhuyan, Isami Saito, Zaeem Khondokar, Gabrieliuz Zareckas, Dylan Estrada and Vickie Chen.

** Reader Award **

Der Drar Ahmed, Jotham Kofi Nyarko, Mano Deus Domingos Clanca, Rai Sagoo, Nila Arunachalam, Nathan Ngombo, Tobias Zaidi, Mikayeel Ahmed, Isla Brandao, Just Marcolino, Mishan Hasan, Shariq Ahmed, Alma Fakaj and Ilias Khan.

** Homework Award **

Fortuna Manzambi-Mavimpi, Ezra Amoah, Atas Kasparavicius, Ali Mohamed, Ahyan Rashid, Harry Elves, Aniq Shaque, Bailey Feltham, Umar Mohsin, Mahnaz Basaduzzaman, Frankie O'Shea, Treyvon Aschkar-Laird, Deshaune Harris and Angelo Da Costa.

** Presentation Award **

Huzaifa Hassan, Rose Blossom, Zara Maynard-Hunter, Ethan Osedebamen, Samiha Islam, Damien Anku, Saksham Verma, Ayub Shujon, Yahya Gomes, Cairon Lewis, Jasher Hudson, Christian Brosse, Elaine Anku and Dylan Nieva.

** Gold Award **

Samruth Kanduri, Amernisa Shabaj, Matei Alixandra, Rachit Banker, Sarrinah Tahid, Albjon Hodaj, Darryl Addae-Kodua, Isabella Curtis, Juliana Alvelos, Fahmida Choudhury, Harry Elves, Idris Hassanein, Micaela Gomes Djassi, Sophia Viegas Verdades De Sa, Ila Kartal, Maryana Tchienguen, Jean Carbone, Sumaiya Akther, Phoenix Munro, Pelumi Maj-Dada, Seon Berhane-Dickenson, Julia Mbuyi, Eva Chowdhury, Sanaa Nurmamod, Dylan Nieva, Zain Hussain, Juven Marcolino, Artur Hakobyan, Karima Mohamed, Kaif Kazi, Nadia Demiter, Vickie Chen, Ameera Rashid, Laila Ansah, Riyahnae Plummer, Rayhan Hussain, Yahya Omar, Mariam Tulunga, Nadira Zayn and Huaida Hassan.

** Lunchtime Award **

Amy Amado, Rai Sagoo, Ahyan Rashid, Yonael Elias, Nailah Lawrence-Stokes, Mikayeel Ahmed, Jean Carbone, Mysha Ahmed, Frankie O'Shea, Cem Akdeniz, Aysu Ozcan and Zain Hussain.