

Newsletter

January 2017



Welcome Back.

Welcome back. We have lots of different learning opportunities and activities happening this term.

2017 School Dates.

Spring Term: Monday 9th January– Friday 7th April 2017

Half Term- Monday 20th February– Friday 24th February 2017

Summer Term: Monday 24th April– Friday 21st July 2017

Half Term– Monday 29th May– Friday 2nd June 2017

Class Assemblies.

All year groups will be inviting parents in to an assembly which will celebrate their learning/topics this term. Most assemblies will be held in the school hall at 10am on a Friday.

10th February: Year 1

17th February: Year 2

10h March: Year 3

17th March: Year 4

Year 5's class assembly will be held on **Thursday** 23rd March as Friday 24th is Comic Relief Day.

Year 6 will hold their end of year celebration nearer to the end of the summer term. Dates for this, and their prom will be confirmed in the next newsletter.

Parents Evenings.

Parents Evenings will be held in school across Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th February. Your child's class teacher will inform you of your appointment time in advance. If this time is not convenient, please let us know and a more suitable time can be arranged. We really do hope to see all parents in order to work together to support your child's learning.

Foundation stage & KS1 Easter Church Service.

Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2 will be holding an Easter service at St Chad's Church on Durham Road on the last day of this full term, Friday 7th April. Children will walk up to church at 1.10pm to begin the service at approximately 1.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us.

SATs.

Year 2 and 6 parents are invited in to discuss their upcoming SATs assessments. Please see the list of dates. The Year 2 date has had to change due to other activities in school.

Dates for this term:

Wednesday 1st February: Year 2 Parents SAT information meeting. Letter to follow

Wednesday 1st February: Year 4 visit to the Empire Theatre.

Thursday 2nd February: Year 6 Parents SAT information meeting. Letter to follow.

Monday 13th– Wednesday 15th February: Parents Evening.

Friday 17th– Sunday 19th February: Year 6 visit to Derwent Hill.

Half Term

Thursday 2nd March: World Book Day.

Children will be invited to dress up as a book character. Letter to follow.

Friday 24th March: Comic Relief.

Reminders.

Please make sure that your child's contact forms are up to date. It is vital that we have any changes of addresses and telephone numbers or any other changes to who may collect your child from school.

Any prescribed medication must be brought in via the office, clearly labelled. And can only be given if prescribed by a doctor. This can only be administered if there are no alternatives that can be arranged. A consent form must be completed.

Attendance

Our school council and Ms Mellor are working really hard to help monitor attendance and encourage as many children to come into school, on time, as possible. We finished the autumn term with a whole school attendance of 95% which was fantastic, but we're aiming for 96%! Please read our separate attendance newsletter which will be out shortly!

Lateness

If your child is late into school in a morning, it is very important that they are escorted into the school office by an adult. Firstly to explain why they are late, and secondly, as the school gates open for deliveries etc after 9.15am, we must ensure that our children are safe crossing the car park entrance.

Please remember that our door is always open if you have a concern or worry and would like to speak to a member of staff.

Please speak to your child's class teacher at the start of or the end of the school day, or call in to the office to see if staff are available. We will do our very best to see you straight away or alternatively we may need to make you an appointment.

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