



Thursday 14th February 2019

Term Dates 2018-2019

3 Sep - 26 Oct

5 Nov - 21 Dec

7 Jan - 15 Feb

25 Feb - 12 Apr

29 Apr - 24 May

3 Jun - 19 Jul

INSET DAYS

3.9.18

26.10.18

15.2.19

3.6.19

22.7.19

Public Holiday

May Day - Monday 6th May

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Newsletter

"We care about each other"

"So encourage each other and build each other up"
(1 Thessalonians 5:11)

World Book Day

We are planning an exciting day of activities for world book day (7.3.19). Children are invited to bring their favourite book to school because we will be working on this. (Children are not being asked to dress up this year.)

Friday morning games club

We would like to remind parents and children that the Friday morning games club (run by staff from Chris Hill Community Sports) is still available to all children every week. There is a signing in sheet on the office door.

Currently the numbers of children attending the club is too small to sustain it continuing. Please complete the attached slip so that we can consider changes that we can make to increase numbers.

Attendance

I would like to thank parents for their continuing support to improve our school attendance. Last year our school attendance was 92.48%, which was significantly below the national expectation of 96.1%.

This year our attendance is **96.39%**. We are delighted with the improvement! Please could we remind parents, however, that it is essential that children are at school promptly at 8:45 each morning.

E-Safety

Parents often have concerns about the films and TV shows children watch, as well as the games they play. The guide attached takes a look at the two official ways you can assess if a particular title is suitable for your child. Both the BBFC and PEGI have search facilities on their websites that can be used to look up individual titles so you can check their ratings.

PFA Events

The PFA would like to invite all parents, grandparents and members of our school community to their next coffee afternoon on Friday 8th March from 2pm onwards. This will be followed by our usual Family Worship at 2:30pm.

School Clubs next term:

Monday 3:05-4:00	Year 6 Booster Club This club will finish at Easter
Tuesday lunchtime	Recorders (Mrs Chapman)
Tuesday 3.05 pm - 4.00 pm	Cookery (Miss Bellicoso)
Wednesday 3.05 pm - 4.00 pm	Art Club (Mrs Williams)
Friday 3.05 pm - 4.00 pm	Sports club (Miss Furness)

Explorers

Next term Explorers will be running softball sessions on Tuesday. These sessions are funded through the school sports premium. Please sign up for Tuesday evenings if your child would like to attend.

Medicines

In order to assist our children in returning quickly to school after illness, I would like to remind parents that school are prepared to administer prescription medicines **only**. Parents should complete a form in the office and inform the class teacher. We are, however, unable to administer non-prescription medicines.

Visiting Teacher

Class 3 will be supported next term by a visiting teacher from Sheffield Hallam University. Mr Vidler will be in class from 4th March to work with our children alongside Mrs Williams and Mrs O'Connor.

Usbourne Books

Helen Woodruff has asked for the attached slips to be sent to parents about e-safety and mental health books for children.

Diary Dates

(For a complete up-to-date list of events please check the calendar section of the school website).

15.2.19 - **INSET day**

7.3.19 - World Book Day

8.3.19 - PFA coffee afternoon

12.3.19 - Diversity Day

13.3.19 - Lea Green Meeting

22.3.19 - Toddler morning

3.4.19 and 4.4.19 - Parents Evening

11.4.19 - Easter Craft Day

12.4.19 - Easter service (9:30) - followed by Easter Egg Hunt

29.4.19 - School re opens after Easter Break