

NEWSLETTER - 28 MARCH 2017



Thank you for attending our Parents Evenings just after half term. We hope you found them informative and useful. It is always great to see you all and talk about the children's progress. If you did not manage to attend, please make sure you follow up and make an appointment to see your child's teacher. We have once again had a very busy half term, we have enjoyed World Book Day, a disco and trips to Manor Farm, Sea Life and will be going to Magna Science Adventure Centre this Thursday. The children have worked really hard and enjoyed our topics in school. Have a lovely Easter holiday and a good rest. We are back in school on Tuesday 18th April ready for the busy summer term.

FILM NIGHT - Once again this proved to be a very popular evening especially with popcorn and hot dogs on sale! After expenses, we raised £191.70 for school funds - thank you.

WORLD BOOK DAY BREAKFAST MORNING - Thanks for everyone who attended our breakfast morning to kick start World Book Day. Thanks to your donations we raised £66.41.

TEA/COFFEE ON THE PLAYGROUND/PHOENIX CARDS - Your kind donations to both of these have raised £128.40 (over the whole year) and commission of £39.86 from Phoenix Cards - thank you!

ART GALLERY IN AID OF THE KING'S SCHOOL, GHANA Thanks to the amazing art work the children prepared and sold we managed to raise a magnificent £382.61 for the King's School in Ghana. Thank you so much for supporting this event in February.

SCIENCE WEEK - What a brilliant success, thanks to Mrs Roy for organising the whole week, and the parents of Abigail Spriggs, Lucy & Natalie Hobbs & Edward Swift who came into help and finally Mr Rollason for lending us the white lab coats.

DANCE FESTIVAL - Well done to all the children who took part in this year's Chilwell Dance Festival they were a credit to our school and really enjoyed themselves.

FIRST AID COURSE FOR PARENTS & CHILDREN - We have received some great feedback from parents regarding this three week course which provided both children and adults some useful basic practical first aid advice. Following the success of this course we are planning another for the future.

E SAFETY MEETING - Thanks to everyone who attended the E Safety Meeting last Wednesday at College House (if you were unable to attend, information from the Meeting will be available on the website after the Easter holidays).

RED NOSE DAY - The children really enjoyed taking part in Red Nose Day last Friday (especially telling their brilliant jokes!!) - thanks for your support which resulted in us raising £177.62 for Comic Relief. One child from each class was presented with an Easter Egg for the funniest class joke and this included: Harry Dinning (Class 1), Abigail Phillips (Class 2), Abigail Spriggs (Class 3), Nuolin Wang (Class 4), Rhys Morgan (Class 5), Sophie Cherry (Class 6) and Liam Bench (Class 7).

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PARENTS' QUESTIONNAIRE - Thanks to all of you who have returned the parents questionnaire - your feedback is extremely valuable. Please see the attached letter regarding feedback on your responses.

READING PHOTOGRAPH COMPETITION We had some brilliant photographs sent in of the children reading in unusual places, they are all displayed outside Mrs Revill's office. The lucky winners selected by our School Council were, Natalie Hobbs, Olivia Prow, Joel Adams & Abigail Phillips.

PARENTS FUND RAISING GROUP

Easter Bingo & Raffle Please do try and join us for our Easter Bingo to be held in the School Hall on Thursday 30 March 2017 from 3.30 to 4.30 pm. **Please send any donations of cakes or biscuits into school on the morning of 30 March - which will be on sale at the bingo.** Thanks for all the donations of Easter Eggs for our Easter Raffle - we will drawing the winners during assembly on Friday 31 March 2017.

Disco - Thanks to everyone who attended and helped at the school disco before half term, following expenses we raised £236.30. For your information at future discos we will be checking the names of children as they come into the school.

SUMMER AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - A summary of all the After School clubs to be held during the Summer Term is attached and also on the website.

FINAL REMINDER - YEAR 2 SHERWOOD FOREST RESIDENTIAL 2016 - Thanks for all payments already received - final day for payment of balance is **Friday 31st March 2017.**

SCHOOL FINANCE Now that the 2016/17 Financial Year is nearing completion, final accounts of both the School Budget and School Fund Account will soon be available. The Governors Statement from the Local Authority will be received in May and the School Fund Account will be audited shortly, following this if you wish to view either of these documents, please call into the school office.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS - If you ordered a Class Group Photographs they were sent home yesterday (we received £169.59 commission from the sales of these photographs). The School Photographer will be returning on 9 May 2017 to take individual and family photographs. All the children will have their photographs taken in the morning on an individual basis. Any children with siblings in school will also have their photographs taken together in the morning. If you have any older or younger siblings who do not attend Meadow Lane, you may wish to sign up for family photographs on the list in the school entrance (**which will be on display week beginning 1 May**). These will be taken from 8.15 am onwards before all the main school photographs. You will be sent a proof of your child's photograph which should be returned with payment if you wish to make a purchase.

NEW MENU - Catering Services have revised the school dinner menu for the Summer Term to be served after the Easter holidays - the new menu will be sent home with your child this week. Where possible the menu will remain the same unless there are problems with deliveries etc but we will let you know if this happens by amending the menu displayed on the hall windows or by text if there are any changes.

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ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATES - We will be presenting certificates during the first week back after the Easter holidays to all those children who have achieved 100% attendance for the 2017 Spring Term. We will let you know the final number of children in the first newsletter of the Summer Term.

SPAGHETTI MATHS - We are planning to host an external After School Club called 'Spaghetti Maths' for Yr 1 & Yr 2 children starting on Thursday 20 April 2017. Spaghetti Maths are coming into school this week to talk to the children in assembly and bringing in further information about their club which we will send home with your child. Please note, if you are interested in your child attending this six week course you need to register and send payment direct to them.

FUTURE DIARY DATES - A timetable of events is given below for this term. Further details (including times) will be sent nearer the actual date of the event which will involve all classes (unless stated otherwise). Following this initial newsletter any additions or alterations from the previous newsletters are shown in *bold and italic*.

DATE	EVENT	Details/Letter already sent (if applicable)
<i>Thur 30 Mar</i>	<i>Classes 1, 2 & 7 Visit to Magna Science Adventure Centre</i>	✓
<i>Thur 30 Mar</i>	<i>Easter Bingo 3.30 to 4.30pm in the School Hall (***SORRY NO CHOIR THIS THURSDAY***)</i>	✓
<i>Fri 31 Mar</i>	<i>Easter Raffle (in school assembly)</i>	✓
<i>Fri 31 Mar</i>	<i>Final day in school before Easter holidays. Return to school on Tuesday 18 April 2017</i>	✓
	<i>SUMMER TERM</i>	
<i>Tues 18 Apr</i>	<i>First Day back in school for everyone</i>	✓
<i>Thurs 20 Apr</i>	<i>Choir re-starts</i>	
<i>Thurs 20 Apr</i>	<i>Yr 1/Yr 2 Spaghetti Maths After School Club starts</i>	<i>See above</i>
<i>Mon 24 Apr</i>	<i>Summer Term Yr 2 Lets Get Cooking Club starts (children already allocated)</i>	✓
<i>Tue 25 Apr</i>	<i>Yr 1/Yr 2 After School French Club starts</i>	✓
<i>Tue 25 Apr</i>	<i>Yr 2 Tennis After School Club starts at Chilwell Memorial Hall</i>	✓
<i>Wed 26 Apr</i>	<i>1st Drumming After School Club starts (now full)</i>	✓
<i>Mon 1 May</i>	<i>School closed for May Day</i>	✓
<i>Tue 9 May</i>	<i>Individual Class Photographs</i>	<i>See above</i>
<i>Fri 12 May</i>	<i>'Bake Off Event' for Parents</i>	
<i>Tue 16 May</i>	<i>Dental Survey - for children 5 years old (randomly selected by School Health) - letter to be sent home after Easter</i>	
<i>29 May-2 Jun</i>	<i>School Closed for Summer half-term holiday (return on Mon 5 June)</i>	✓
<i>Mon 5 June</i>	<i>Y2 Football After School Club starts</i>	
<i>Tue 6 June</i>	<i>Reception Multi Skills After School Club starts</i>	
<i>Tue 6 June</i>	<i>2nd Yr 1/Yr 2 After School French Club starts</i>	✓
<i>Wed 7 June</i>	<i>2nd Drumming After School Club starts (now full)</i>	✓