NEWSLETTER - 22 OCTOBER 2015



Thank you for all your support this half term. We have made a great start to this school year and the children have produced some excellent work and had lots of fun! We have all really enjoyed Healthy Living week - a big thank you to Miss Tewson for her superb organisation and to the staff for their enthusiasm. I will put some photographs on the website after half term to give you a flavour of what has been going on. I hope you have a lovely half term and we'll see you all after the holiday on Monday 2 November 2015.

PARENTS FUND RAISING GROUP

Disco - reminder of arrangements for tonight's School Disco:-

5.00 pm - 5.45 pm - Reception

6.00 pm - 6.45 pm - Year 1/Year 2

Entry through main entrance - pay on the door - £2.00 entrance fee (which includes a bag of sweets and drink). The children will not need any more money. Exit through hall doors. Could parents please collect children promptly at the end of each session and let us know *if you do NOT wish your child* to have orange juice (this was also sent by text yesterday).

<u>Christmas Fayre</u> - After half-term we will be sending home raffle tickets with the children for our Christmas Fayre Raffle and as always there will be some great prizes. We hope you can sell as many as possible, please call into the office if you require any more. Please return the completed ticket stubs, money and any unwanted tickets as soon as possible - thank you. More information regarding this year's fayre will be sent home in the next few weeks.

<u>Design a Christmas Card</u> - Reminder that all orders with artwork for Christmas cards must be returned with payment by Tuesday 3 November 2015.

<u>NEW PARENT GOVERNOR</u> As you may be aware one of our Parent Governors (Mrs Jo Waldram) has recently resigned and therefore we now have a vacancy on the Governing Body. We will be sending home nomination forms after half term, but if you think you may be interested and require any more information regarding the role of a school governor and what this involves please have a word with Mrs Revill or Miss Hodkin.

<u>HARVEST FESTIVAL</u> - Thank you so much for the marvellous response to our appeal for harvest contributions. The food was distributed between a local Women's Refuge and Hope Nottingham Foodbank (Beeston) and they were overwhelmed by your generosity. Thank you.

<u>SCHOOL DINNERS</u> - A new school dinner menu will be sent home with your child today and will include the weekly menus from November 2015 to March 2016. A reminder that although all the children receive a free meal through the universal free school meal initiative it is still worth checking if your child would qualify for a free school meal due to your income. This is an easy process and could entitle you to free school visits, books, uniforms etc so if you are interested in checking please call in at the office. Obviously your enquiry will be treated as entirely confidential.

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<u>PARENTS EVENINGS</u> - Reminder that the Autumn Term Parents Evenings will be held during the first week after half term on Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th November 2015 - if you have returned your reply slip, you should now have received an appointment time from your child's class teacher.

<u>MATHS WORKSHOPS</u> - We hope those of you who have attended the afternoon Maths Workshops have found them useful. A reminder that the evening workshop is due to be held on Thursday 12 November 2015 in the College House Junior School hall from 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm, so if you have still not signed up to attend and wish to do so please let us know at the office. (Please note there is no crèche available at this evening workshop it is for parents/carers only).

OPERATION ORPHAN - Operation Orphan have asked us to let you know about the following event:

On Monday 16th November 2015 there is a ladies fashion show at The Village Hotel selling current fashion, known brands at discounted prices. Money raised will be donated to Operation Orphan; based here in our community, helping orphans and vulnerable children all around the world. To purchase tickets for this event please visit their website www.operation-orphan.org

INSET DAY - Reminder that school is closed tomorrow (Friday 23 October 2015) for Inset Day.

Finally, this will be last newsletter sent by paper copy via your child to every parent. In response to some requests by parents, in future any correspondence that <u>does not require a reply slip</u> will be emailed, placed on the website and a few paper copies available in the entrance for parents to collect. We will obviously text you to let you know when newsletters/correspondence are available and <u>obviously it is important that you always check to ensure you do not miss anything</u>. You also need to ensure we have your correct email address if you wish to receive correspondence by email but as mentioned previously anything that requires a reply slip will be sent to you as normal to prevent you having to print this out at home.

Have a happy and safe half term holiday!

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<u>FUTURE DIARY DATES</u> - Further details (including times) will be sent nearer the actual date of the event which will involve all classes (unless stated otherwise). Any additions or alterations from the previous newsletters are shown in *bold and italic*.

DATE	EVENT	Details/Letter already sent (if applicable)
Thur 15 Oct Thur 22 Oct	Parents' Maths Workshops - 2.00 to 3.00 pm (NOW BEING HELD AT COLLEGE HOUSE JUNIOR SCHOOL)	See above √
Thur 5 Nov		
Thur 22 Oct	Disco	See above
Fri 23 Oct	School Closed for Inset Day	✓
26-30 Oct	School Closed for Half Term holiday	✓
Tue 3 Nov & Wed 4 Nov	Parents Evenings	✓
Fri 6 Nov	1st Street Dance After School Club (Year 1's)	√
Mon 9 Nov	Medieval Day - Classes 1, 2 and 7	
Tue 10 Nov	1st Let's Get Cooking After School Club - (Year 2's)	✓
	(Final session on Monday 30 November)	
Tue 10 Nov	1st Gymnastics After School Club (Year 2's)	✓
Wed 11 Nov	Yr 2 Visit to Chilwell Barracks	
Thur 12 Nov	Reception visit to Greens Mill in Sneinton	✓
Thur 12 Nov	Parents' Maths Workshop at College House -	✓
	6.30-8.00pm (No crèche/parents/carers only)	
Fri 13 Nov	Parents Coffee Afternoon with visit by Phoenix Cards	
Tue 24 Nov	Yr 1 & Yr 2 Flu Immunisation	✓
Thur 26 Nov	'Green Up Your Act' Eco Workshops - whole school	
Fri 27 Nov	Architecture Workshops - Class 1, 2 & 7	
Fri 27 Nov	Parents' Crafts for Christmas - 7.30 to 9.30 pm	
Fri 4 Dec	Christmas Fayre - 5.30 pm to 7.00 pm	
Mon 7 Dec	Christingle Service (School Choir)	
Mon 7 Dec	Reception Nativity Performance - 10.00 am	
Tue 8 Dec	Reception Nativity Performance - 2.00 pm	
Wed 9 Dec	Carols in the Playground - 6.00 to 7.00 pm	
Thur 10 Dec	Christmas Dinner	
Tue 15 Dec	Yr 1 & Yr 2 Panto - 10.00 am	
Tue 15 Dec	Jeffrey Jumper Magician	
Wed 16 Dec	Yr 1 & Yr 2 Panto – 2.00 pm	
Fri 18 Dec	Christmas Party	
Fri 18 Dec	Final day in school - break up for Christmas holidays	✓
Tue 5 Jan	Pupils & Staff return after Christmas holiday	✓