

Spring Term 2020 Newsletter 1 - 20/1/2020





Great news you helped us raise £160.00

For Save the Children

Many thanks for your support.

Reception and Nursery



We hope our Early Years parents and carers enjoyed our Christmas Fayre – we raised just over £150 which will be used to purchase resources for the Early Years unit.

A belated Happy New Year to everyone and welcome back.

Our first newsletter of the Spring Term includes the 'Dates for the Diary' section as well as important information and reminders that parents/carers need to be aware of.

Safeguarding: As you will be fully aware safeguarding is one of the most important responsibilities that schools undertake. To ensure you know who you would need to speak to regarding a concern please see listed below staff who are responsible for Child Protection and Safeguarding at our school.

- First contact Mrs Green Child Protection and Safeguarding Lead
- Miss Overfield Senco
- Mrs Jones Personal Development
- Mr Cluskey Internet Safety.

Access into school: Please may we remind parents/carers that the main gate and entrance should not be used for access into school before 9.00a.m. as this area is a car park and potentially dangerous before this time of the morning. Access into school before 9.00a.m. should be via the bottom gate and rear entrance. At the rear entrance you will be firstly directed to the school office where a member of staff will be available to deal with your query or request.

Please can we ask that this information is passed on to any other family members/friends who may bring your child to school. Many thanks.



Safety outside of school: Last week we received a report of a near miss involving one of our pupils on the pavement outside of school. As you will appreciate this is very concerning particularly when it is one of our own parents/carers who has put other children at risk by parking in the 'No Parking Zone'. The 'No Parking' zone is in place to keep children safe and vehicles stopping in this area even for a moment are breaking the law. We therefore ask that parents/carers DO NOT stop in this area to drop off children or collect children from school to ensure that the safety of our children is not at risk.

School Policy regarding uniform/hair styles/ear piercing: We would like to remind parents/carers of our guidance document (copy attached) regarding the above. We have noticed that there has been an increased number of children wearing hair products and a variety of hair accessories which the guidance states are not permitted at school. Whilst we do understand that children like wearing these things it is important that parents/carers ensure that our policy is followed during school time.

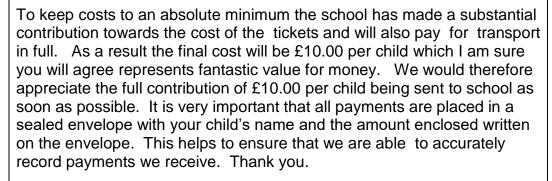


Thursday 13th February - Spring half term Golden Day Year 1 to Year 6 Children - Visit to Empire Theatre, Sunderland

This half term we have arranged for the children to see the Sound of Music at the Empire Theatre on Thursday 13th February for our Golden Day activity. I am sure your child will have already told you about the visit and the lovely songs from the Musical that they have been learning to sing. As you can imagine we are all very excited and very much looking forward to the visit.



The performance is during the afternoon and we expect that the coaches will return to school between 6.15p.m. and 6.30p.m. depending upon traffic. The annual consent already completed will cover this visit





As always on our return to school children will be escorted back to class by their teacher to collect their belongings and then will be taken out through the rear door onto the playground to meet parents/carers.

Please support us by not parking in the 'No Parking' zone as this space will be required for the fleet of coaches when we return. Many thanks.



Dates for the Diary : if you need any further details please get in touch.

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January 2020		
Tuesday 21st	Children from Year 5 - Basketball Festival - parents/carers already notified	
Wednesday 22 nd	Year 6 Visit to the Royal Grammar School for Computing Workshop	
Wednesday 22 nd and 29 th	Dodgeball league - parents/carers already notified	
Friday 31 st .	9.00a.m. Year 5 Assembly followed by refreshments	
February 2020		
Wednesday 5 th	Year 1 and Year 2 Infant Games at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre – you will be notified if your child is taking part	
Friday 7 th	9.00a.m. Year 4 Assembly followed by refreshments	
Monday 10 th - Friday 14 th	No Extra Curriculum Clubs or Year 6 1:1 tuition groups After School Care service will be as normal.	
Monday 10 th and	Parents/Carers Evening meetings	
Wednesday 12 th	Details and appointment slips attached.	
Thursday 13 th		Year 1 - Year 6 Visit to the
Golden Day		Empire Theatre to see the
		Sound of Music Theatre
Friday 14 th	School Closes for the February half term holiday	
Monday 24th	School re-opens	
Friday 28 th February	9.00a.m. Year 3 Assembly followed by refreshments	
March 2020		
Thursday 5 th	World Book Day - children may dress up as any character	
	from a book/poem. Details to be distributed after 1/2 term.	
Friday 6 th	9.00a.m. Year 1 Assembly followed by refreshments	
Friday 13 th	Sports Relief - details to follow	
Friday 27 th	9.00a.m. Reception Assembly followed by refreshments	
April 2020		
Friday 3 rd	9.00a.m. Year 2 Assembly followed by refreshments	
Friday 3 rd	School Closes for the Easter holidays	
Monday 20 th	School Re-opens	
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The 'Dates for the Diary' will be updated regularly throughout the year

