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4th October 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Important Dates:

- Tuesday 8th October - Reception, Year 1 and 2 Phonics Workshop, 9.00 – 10.00 am
- “ “ “ - Year 2 to 6 SPAG Workshop, 3.30 – 4.15 pm
- Wednesday 9th October - Year 5 Residential trip to Caythorpe PGL: Depart at 10.00 am
- Friday 11th October - Class 3/4M Assembly, 9.00 pm: Parents are invited to attend
- “ “ “ - Year 5 Residential trip to Caythorpe PGL: Return at 4.00 pm

Class 1/2M Assembly

This will take place on Thursday 17th October starting at 2.45 pm. Parents of children in 1/2M are invited to attend.

Years Reception, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Nasal Flu Vaccination

We have been notified by the Immunisation Team that due to a shortage in the supply of the vaccine, the scheduled date of Monday 7th October for them to be on site, has had to be postponed.

In order for the team to be able to facilitate all the other cancellations and pre-booked appointments, the earliest date they are able to visit our school is **Wednesday 4th December**. A reminder will be sent out nearer the time. All completed forms will be valid for this date.

IMPORTANT: The forms need to be completed even if you do not give consent. The school office have been asked to chase any unreturned forms so please help by returning the forms by Monday 7th October. Thank you.

Please watch the educational video on the nasal flu vaccination by going to this link:

<https://www.covwarkpt.nhs.uk/service-detail/health-service/immunisation-and-vaccination-service-school-age-120/>

If you have any queries, then please contact the Immunisation Team direct on 02476 961 422.

Parent Workshops

- Reception, Year 1 and 2 Phonics Workshop – Tuesday, 8th October, 9.00 – 10.00 am in the school hall.
- Year 2 to 6 SPAG Workshop – Tuesday, 8th October, 3.30 – 4.15 pm in the school hall.

Parents of the respective year groups are invited to attend the above workshops. To enable us to have the correct amount of seats and resources ready, we would be grateful if you could complete the reply slips included in the letters already sent home with children.

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Reminder

Please note that the last day for applications to be submitted to the city council is **31st October**. Apply online at www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions or ring the Admissions & Benefits Team on 024 7697 5445.

Rising 5 Admissions for September 2020

Applications are now open for any children due to start school in September 2020 (date of birth 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016). Please visit www.coventry.gov.uk/schooladmissions and follow the instructions on how to apply. **Applications must be made by 15th January 2020.**

Open Days

The school will host two Open Days over the coming weeks:

- Thursday 17th October at 10.30 am
- Friday 18th October at 1.30 pm

These sessions are only for parents whose child is due to start school in September 2020. All classrooms will be open and the children are looking forward to sharing their learning with you.

Existing parents will continue to have the opportunity to attend the Early Bird sessions once every term.

Mental Health and Wellbeing - information

Today we have sent out a Parent Mail document detailing our school approach to Mental Health and Wellbeing. A leaflet for parents has also been added to our school website in the curriculum area and paper copies are available outside the school office.

Thursday 10th October is World Mental Health Awareness Day. On this day, all children will be completing activities in school, focusing on their mental wellbeing.

Please look out for information on this important aspect of school life in future correspondence.

Mrs Clare Deller (Mental Health Lead)

Class 3S Extra Forest School Sessions

Please note that class 3S will have two extra forest school sessions on the following days:

- Wednesday 16th October
- Wednesday 30th October

School Photographs

Children in Years 1 to 5 will bring home their photo proof on Monday. Please send your orders into school in the envelope provided (cheques made payable to SBS Ltd) by 9.00 am on **Wednesday 16th October**. All orders placed online by parents will be delivered directly to your home address.

Reception classes, members of the pupil leadership team, the choir and orchestra will be photographed on **Wednesday 16th October**. Normal school uniform should be worn.

Members of the orchestra need to remember to bring their instruments into school for their photograph.

We will also be doing a "catch-up" session on that day to photograph children in Years 1 – 5 who were absent on 25th September (with brothers/sisters if applicable).

Parents' Meetings with Teachers

We hope that you have all managed to book a parents' meeting with your child's class teacher for either of the dates below:

- Tuesday 15th October 4.30 – 7.30 pm All year groups
- Thursday 17th October 3.30 – 6.00 pm All year groups

Please note bookings will close on Sunday 13th October.

Dyslexia Meetings: There will be no meetings with Mrs Keatman, Dyslexia Tutor, during the autumn parent consultations. Appointments will be available to book during the spring term Parents' Evening.

Harvest Collection

Thank you to all those that have donated items for our Harvest Appeal which is in support of the Coventry Central Foodbank. Items of tinned, dried or packaged non-perishable food can still be brought into school next week in readiness for collection before the end of term. All items should be sent to your child's classroom. Thank you for your support.

Please ensure that care is taken in making sure that donations have a good shelf life left.

Payment Reminders

- Year 6 Residential Trip to Dol-y-Moch – **Final balance due Monday 7th October**
- Class 6S and 6P trip to Coventry Cathedral – **Payment due Wednesday 16th October**

War Memorial Park Remembrance Service for Schools

A Service of Remembrance led by The Bishop of Coventry for schools across Coventry will take place on Tuesday 12th November, 10.30 – 11.30 am. The Service will include poems and music by Coventry school children. Our years 5 and 6 children will be attending the event. Parents from the wider school community are also welcome to attend this service.

Parent Governor Election

Nominations for the school's parent governor vacancy closed at 12 noon today. We will share the outcome with parents in due course.

PTA News

Wednesday 16th October - 3.20 pm onwards - Diwali Samosa and Cake Sale

We have a fantastic event planned to celebrate Diwali! You can grab yourself a samosa or cake after school on the playground to join in the celebrations. Full details will be distributed next week.

Friday 18th October – School Disco

The ever-popular discos are back! You will find details in the flyers which will be sent out next week. If you have not received one, then a copy can be obtained from the office.

If your child is interested, please complete the forms and return it with your payment by Friday 11th October.

Please also get in touch if you are happy to assist as a First Aider or help with Face-painting as this is hugely popular with the children and the queues can be quite long.

If you can help then please use the reply slip included in the flyer.

ALL reception children must be accompanied by an adult

Community and Information News

Mini Tennis

Tennis coaching for children aged 6 – 11 years old at the Tennis Centre, University of Warwick. Free trial session. Book between 7th and 20th October by texting Chris Cash on 07368 316717.

Yours sincerely

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