



Topic Overviews

As part of our commitment to the partnership with parents, you should receive, with this newsletter, outline details of the work your children will be doing for this term. We hope you will find this informative. There may be topics for which you have relevant books at home, or maybe you are an expert in certain aspects of artwork or science and can offer help to your children and their classes.

Reception School Dinners: Buy One Get One Free

Parents of new Reception children are reminded to complete the reply slip on the letter sent home earlier this week, and send £1.85 **tomorrow**, if you wish to take advantage of the special promotion being arranged for Friday 25th September.

P.G.L. Assembly

Parents of children who went on the outdoor activity weekend at P.G.L's Boreatton Park centre in Shropshire are invited to come to the assembly next Thursday 24th September at 9.10am. The children had a great time and we had great feedback from the instructors who taught the children how to do all the exciting activities such as abseiling, kayaking, zipwire, fencing, quad biking etc. I was very proud of them all. Thanks also to Mrs Roby and Mrs Lonsdale who gave up their weekend to lead groups this year. We are also inviting the parents of children in Y5 to come along to the assembly on 24th September, so you can get a children's view of what a PGL trip is like. There will also be an evening meeting for Y5 children and their parents at 6pm on Wednesday 30th September



Harvest Assembly



You are warmly invited to attend our Harvest Assembly on Tuesday 29th September at 9.15am Harvest gifts of non-perishable items only, such as tins, packet food (with long shelf lives please) should be brought into school on Friday 25th or Monday 28th September so that it can be displayed in the hall. As usual the food will be donated to 'Chorley Help the Homeless'

Thursday Class Assemblies

This term, class assemblies, based on our Social & Emotional Aspects of Learning (SEAL) theme "New Beginnings" are as follows: 1st Oct: 5NW, 8th Oct:4JA, 15th Oct: 3FG, 5th Nov: 2NHW, 12th Nov 12EWSR, 19th Nov: 1JM, 26th Nov: Reception classes
The assemblies start at 9.15am and are approximately 15 minutes long.

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World's Biggest Coffee Morning – Friday 25th September

Duke Street School will be hosting our own World's Biggest Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support on Friday 25th September at 9.00 am in the school hall and we are inviting parents along to join us for some cake and a cuppa to help raise £8million for Macmillan. We would love to see as many people as possible on the day, it's a great chance to catch up and meet new friends.



Any donations of cakes and biscuits would be appreciatively received to help raise even more money. If you are interested in getting more involved on the day, by helping to serve coffee perhaps, then please contact school to let us know.

Head lice



This, traditionally, is a time of year when head lice make an unwelcome return. This is due to the children having more head to head contact during the school holidays and now the eggs have hatched! I haven't been notified of any instances yet but, as part of ongoing health care, please check your child's hair thoroughly at this time.

High School Open Evenings

Parents of children in Year 6 may wish to note the following dates prior to completing the high school admissions forms.

Southlands Technology College Monday, 05/10/2009 6.00 - 9.00 pm

Parklands High School Tuesday, 29/09/2009 6.00 - 8.30 pm

Holy Cross Catholic High School :Thursday, 01/10/2009 6.00 - 8.30 pm

St.Michaels CE High School: Monday, 21/09/2009 9.30am-12.30pm & 2.15pm-3.15pm, Tuesday, 22/09/2009 9.30am-12.30pm & 2.15pm-3.15pm

Albany Science College: Thursday ,08/10/2009 7.00 - 9.00 pm

Bishop Rawstone CE Language College Wednesday 30/09/2009, Thursday 01/10/2009 6.30 - 9.30 pm

Although 12 months away, Year 5 children and their parents may wish to go along to these sessions, with a view to their transfer in September 2011.

Smoking and Dogs on Playground

Just to inform new parents, and remind others, that the school's no smoking policy extends to all outside areas of the school premises, and that dogs are not permitted on school grounds either. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'A.W.Kidd'.

Mr A.W.Kidd
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