

Spring Newsletter 2016



A belated Happy New Year to you all and welcome back for the start of our new Spring Term. The children have been telling us all about their Christmas holidays and it sounds like they all had a lot of fun! They have now settled happily back into the routines of school and are working hard. You will know by now that we are without Miss Wood who continues to recover from her broken shoulder. We wish her a speedy recovery. In the meantime, we welcome Amanda Hallam to the teaching staff who will be covering the Caterpillars' Class until Miss Wood returns. We also currently have three final year student teachers on placements with us - Miss Deakin and Miss Morgan in Early Years and Mr Brown in the Hedgehogs' class. They will be here until Easter.

This is an exciting term for us as we prepare for our whole school art topic. This culminates with our 'Art Gallery' day on Friday 18th March when the children will each exhibit a framed piece of their own art work and we open the school to the public. If you are particularly interested in art and would like to help during that week, please come and let us know. We would also like to exhibit art work by parents or grandparents around the school that day, so if you have anything you would be prepared to lend us that would be fantastic. In preparation for this, every year group will be visiting Southampton Art Gallery during the week beginning 22nd February - further details to follow soon. You might also like to visit the Gosport Discovery Centre beforehand. They have a special exhibition on British Modern Art running until 20th February and they are also running a special children's workshop during half term called 'Fabulous Faces' which is £4 per child, with accompanying adults free. **Call 0300 555 1387** for further details.

Medical Forms

It is really important that any medical information that we have about your child is as recent and up to date as possible. For this reason we will be sending home new medical forms for you to update or amend. If there are no changes it is only necessary to sign and date the document before returning it.

If you have a child with asthma we will be in contact with you specifically as we are now required to draw up an individual care plan for your child.

Thank you



2016 Reading Challenge!



This term sees the start of our Reading Challenge and this year we are inviting parents, carers and staff to take part too! Hopefully you will have received the details of this - we can already see that the children are very enthusiastic about taking part. We have set up an adults' book shelf in the entrance hall where you can bring a book to exchange with another - the books are flying off the shelves so please make sure you bring one in exchange!

Dates for your Diary

JANUARY

19th - 2pm KIT Coffee Afternoon

29th - School Closed for Cluster training

FEBRUARY

5th - 9am CHIPS meeting in hall

5th - 3.20pm - 5.00pm Friday Film Night

9th - Vocal Festival (details to follow)

12th - Cake Sale

12th - Last day of half term

22nd - First day of half term

22nd - Year R visit to Southampton Art Gallery (morning only)

23rd - Year 1 visit to Southampton Art Gallery (morning only)

24th - Year 2 visit to Southampton Art Gallery (morning only)

26th - 9am - 10am - Year R Stay and Play

MARCH

3rd - World Book Day - Dress up as your favourite book character!

4th - 2.30pm - Mothers' Day Assembly (details to follow)

Week beginning 7th - Parent Consultation week (signing up sheets will be available the previous week)

11th - 3.20pm — 5.00pm Film Night

18th - ART GALLERY OPEN DAY IN SCHOOL

24th - Last day of Spring term

(We return to school on Monday 11th April)