



General Information Newsletter 2017-18

Dates for October.

Mon 9/10: School Photographs.

Tues 10/10: Parents Viewing Work—After school.

Fri 13/10: Flu Vaccinations YR-4.

Fri 13/10: Harvest Festival.

Fri 13/10: MAD School Disco.

Fri 20/10: Last Day of Term 1.

Children return to school for the start of Term 2 on Monday 30th October.

School Counselling Service.

This term we are setting up a partnership with the YMCA Dialogue Service. YMCA Dialogue provide a counselling and therapeutic support service for children, young people and families. We will have a counsellor working in school every Thursday morning to support children across a range of issues. If you feel your child would benefit from this service at any time please contact our Inclusion Manager Sarah Boyle who will be happy to discuss it further with you.

Sickness.

Please ensure your child is 48 hours clear from the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea when returning to school. Thank you for your support in this matter. It is much appreciated.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a fantastic week in school celebrating our 'Writing Week'. The children have enjoyed lots of exciting writing activities and the quality of the writing which has been produced has been superb. We are extremely grateful to our many visitors this week who have helped to inspire the children through sharing their lives as journalists and authors. It was great to see the playground full of book characters, smugglers and aliens on Friday morning as we celebrated the end of a brilliant week.

Please remember I am always available to discuss any aspect of the care and education we provide for your children.

Kind regards,

Chris Davey.

Harvest Festival.

Just a reminder that we will be celebrating Harvest Festival this year on Friday 13th October. We will be very grateful for donations of non-perishable items such as tins and packets which we will be donating to the Salvation Army Housing Association in Newhaven. Please can these be brought in on the morning of Friday 13th October and placed on the tables at the front of the school and on the playground. Thank you very much for your support.



Bake Sale for Cancer Research.

A group of children in Year 5 have arranged a Bake Sale to raise money for Cancer Research UK. This will take place on Friday 13th October. Cakes will be on sale in the Hawaiian Hut on the playground at the end of the school day. The children have worked fantastically hard in arranging their Bake Sale and I hope many of you will support them by buying cakes for this very worthy cause. Thank you very much.

MAD School Discos.

On Friday 13th October MAD will be holding a Fancy Dress Disco! The Reception/Key Stage One Disco takes place between 4.30 pm and 5.30 pm. The Key Stage Two Disco takes place between 6.00 pm and 7.15 pm. Further details and ticket request forms are still available from the school office.

Attendance.

Please continue to help us to ensure your child does not miss important learning by making sure they are in school whenever possible. If your child's attendance falls below 95% we will contact you to support their future attendance.

Attendance figures for the 2017/2018 academic year so far are:- Reception—95.40%, Year One—97.36%, Year Two—96.12%, Year Three—97.23%, Year Four—96.43%, Year Five 95.35% and Year Six—95.93%.

Parents Viewing Work.

There will be an informal opportunity for parents and carers to view their children's work so far this term on Tuesday 10th October. You are welcome to come into school at the end of the school day and spend some time with your child looking at and talking about their learning so far this year. I hope many of you will be able to take the opportunity to pop in and share your child's achievements.

School Photographs.

Please remember the children will have their individual school photographs taken on **Monday 9th October**. There will also be an opportunity for sibling photographs during the school day. **If you wish to have a sibling photograph with a pre-school child please come in to school via the front entrance from 8.15 am.** Please ensure all the children have their school jumpers/cardigans in school with them. Thank you very much.