



Wednesday 1st November 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you for all the efforts made in Travel Smart week. It was great to see children cycling, scooting and doing park and walk. Keep up the efforts to keep the school driveway and surrounding area free from congestion and get a bit of extra exercise at the same time! Thank you.

Just a few reminders of events and news update from the school:



The NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. programme visited our school today – we gave you lots of information about this in the last newsletter. The visit was part of the schools safeguarding work to make sure our pupils have the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe from abuse.

Please look on your child's class pages over the next few days to see what they have been talking about. If you would like any more information about the NSPCC **Speak out. Stay safe.** programme, including frequently asked questions, you can find it on the NSPCC website nspcc.org.uk/schools

Talking about the Underwear Rule with your children

The guide uses the rules of PANTS to teach children that their body belongs to them and them alone. You can find out more and download the free resources at nspcc.org.uk/pants



SCHOOL OFFICE NOTICES:

Please could you ensure that you use the office hatch / window if you need to see any of the office staff in the morning or after school. Parents/carers are not allowed into the school office.

Handing in slips and money: Thank you for handing things in on time but please could you ensure that it is in a named sealed envelope and is handed in to class teachers and not at the school office. We cannot accept loose change/money. From now on, the school office will not be accepting slips/money and we request again that all these items are handed in to class teachers. Thank you for your support.

Prescription Medicines / inhalers : Please could we remind you that any such items must be handed in to the school office only by an adult along with the appropriate paperwork. To save time you can download this off the school web site. Please do not send in with your child. Medicines will need a spoon from home please and should be clearly labelled with your child's name. Please note that any





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medication that only needs to be administered 3 times a day will NOT be accepted by the school office as these can be done around the school day.

Cough "sweets" – Please do not send these into school for your child as the school office will not be accepting them as "medicine". Thank you for your support.

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL STILL NEEDED

The school is still looking for a crossing patrol. This very responsible post helps to safeguard our children. If you are interested, and would like further information, please contact Mick Draycott at Derbyshire County Council on 07796 997577. Thank you



SHOWCASES AND WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS / CARERS

We are very excited to announce the rest of the showcases and workshops for this year. We have already welcomed parents to the KS1 phonics workshop on 28th September and also to the KS1 phonic workshops in classes on 3/4/5th October 2017. Thank you for your lovely feedback!

KS1 and EYFS have also planned the following dates, so please make a note of them on your family calendar!



9am – 11am Friday November 10th : EYFS have planned a Dinosaur making workshop for the children, parents/carers/grandparents so please come along for the morning and help your child and others! Please let Mrs Toynbee know if you are able to attend. It will be a fun morning full of learning!

2pm – 3.15pm Friday 15th December : Y1/2 classes will be holding a Science Showcase which will include exhibitions and practical activities to do with the children in Robins, Little Owls and Kingfisher classes. Parents / carers / grandparents are all welcome!



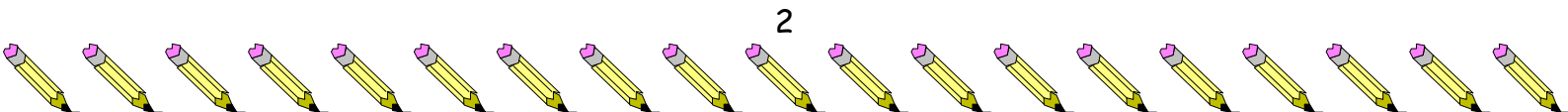
**READING
IDEAS YOU'LL
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9am – 9.30am Reading Workshops parents/carers/grandparents: everyone welcome and more information nearer the time.

Tuesday 16th January for EYFS

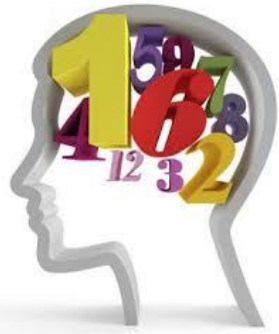
Wednesday 17th January Reading Workshop for KS1

10-11am Tuesday 13th February Understanding of the world – people and communities showcase. The children will be sharing their Pancake Day celebrations and writing. Parents/carers/grandparents: everyone welcome





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9am – 9.30am Maths workshops – number bonds and practical activities:
parents/carers/grandparents: everyone welcome and more information nearer the time.

Tuesday 17th April for EYFS
Wednesday 18th April for KS1



2.30pm – 3.30pm KS1 Science Showcase : planting and outdoor learning :
parents/carers/grandparents: everyone welcome and more information nearer the time.

Wednesday 16th May – Little Owl and Kingfisher classes
Thursday 17th May : Robin and Woodpecker classes

2.30pm – 3.30pm Thursday 14th June : KS1 History showcase about old and new toys.
Parents/carers/grandparents: everyone welcome and more information nearer the time.

KS2 have planned the following events and dates for your calendar:

KS2 have already had their Viking Long Ship showcase afternoon which was so well attended that it got very crowded! Thank you for the super support! Future showcases will be **3pm – 3.30pm** as follows to which everyone is very welcome:

- **Thursday 1st February Saxon Art showcase for Y5/6 children in the hall**
- **Friday 2nd February Saxon Art showcase for Y3/4 children in the hall**
- **Thursday 24th May Outdoor Day showcase outside for Y3/4 children**
- **Friday 25th May Outdoor Day showcase outside for Y5/6 children**



The KS2 team have also planned some classroom based workshops for parents/carers/grandparents **9am – 9.30am** to help you to support your child as follows:

- **Wednesday 22nd November : Helping your child to learn to spell**
- **Thursday January 18th : Timetables tips, games and techniques for learning**
- **Thursday 8th March : Tips for helping your child read and understand inference**

There is quite a lot on over over the year and we look forward to seeing you in your child's classroom. Thank you for your support.



Dates: please put up somewhere at home or in your diary.
PLEASE REFER TO THE SCHOOL WEB SITE CALENDAR – for key dates for 2017-18

INSET Days for 2017-18 : The following days have been set for 2017-18. Children will not be in school on these further 4 days.
Friday November 3rd 2017, Tuesday 2nd January 2018, Friday 16th February 2018 and Tuesday 10th July 2018





A calendar of term dates and INSET dates has been emailed to you and is also on the school web site. A summary is included at the end of the newsletter one for your reference, which can be found in the school web site

Term	School dates	Enrichment visits / visitors / days	Governor dates
Aut 2	<p>3/11 INSET Day 9/11 New Parent Open afternoon 2-3pm 17/11 SCH COUNCIL CHN IN NEED 6/12 KS1 Nativity 2.45pm to parents 7/12 2.45pm KS1 Nativity to parents 14/12 Christmas Lunch day 15/12 Y56 party pm 18/12 Y34 party pm 19/12 EYFS/KS1 party pm</p>	<p>3/11 PTFA Fireworks 6/11 Rev Fiona assembly 10.15 6/11 Guru Nanak afternoon 10/11 KS1 Space Centre visit 13-17/11 Anti-Bullying Week 2017 20/11 start of switch off Fortnight 29/11 PTFA Winter Disco's 7/12 KS2 Peter Pan Derby Theatre 13/12 KS2 Christmas Concert@ St.Helens 2/6pm 14/12 EYFS Nativity for parents 2.45pm</p>	<p>14/11 Governors Teaching and Learning Committee 21/11 Governors Resources Committee 5.15pm 28/11 FGB Governor mtg 5.15pm</p>

Any changes in dates will be advertised well in advance and a text sent out.



THE GREAT SCHOOL MEALS BAKE OFF!

The school is teaming up with Derbyshire Catering for the Great School Meals Bake off! This will take place on Wednesday November 15th as part of the schools meals week – this is where the children choose the menu for the whole week!

We would like to invite all the children to bake a cup cake and decorate it in whatever way they choose. This will need to be done at home, then your child can bring their cupcake into school for the competition which will be judged by the school cook, Mrs Sage and her team. There are small prizes that can be won by the children – a great fun event! The school winner will be photographed and will be sent to DCC for a final – this could win baking equipment for the school. Please encourage your child to take part! Thank you.



WRAP AROUND CARE : ACTIVE BODIES (THE SCHOOLS WRAP AROUND CARE PART OF SPORTING BODIES)

A REMINDER flyer was sent home yesterday about the INSET DAY club being held at the school from 7.30pm until 5.30pm – please book your child on this if you need the childcare on this day by using the contact details below:





- Text Jennie Hudson (07885424715) to book a place and arrange payment
- Email: info@sportingbodies.co.uk to book a place and arrange payment

You would also need to provide your child with a packed lunch, drink and outdoor wear. Pre booking would be appreciated in order to ensure adequate cover for children attending. The cost is £21 for the day and an extra £4 will include a trip to Jangela!

Please could we remind you that the light tea time snack provided by the Wrap around care provider after school is not designed to take the place of your child's evening meal. It is snack to "keep them going" until their normal evening meal with the family. The light tea snack is typically something like cheese and biscuits, toasties, fish finger or sausage sandwiches, pasta bakes, noodle dishes, jacket potatoes and a 3 weekly treat – trip to the local chip shop! Please ensure that you plan your normal family tea for your child. Thank you.



THE ROYAL LEGION POPPY APPEAL

Poppies will on sale in school as normal from Thursday this week and all next week. Year 6 pupils will be going around classes during the afternoon each day. If your child would like to buy a poppy, please send their donation in a sealed named envelope to their class teacher from Thursday morning. It will be kept safe until the afternoon.

The Royal British Legion is asking the nation to Rethink Remembrance by recognising the sacrifices made by the Armed Forces community, past and present.

By wearing a poppy, you aren't just remembering the fallen: you're supporting a new generation of veterans and Service personnel that need our support.



We look forward to seeing you all in school

Miss Dixey and Mr Ormiston

Headteacher and Co-Headteacher/Deputy Headteacher

