

Newsletter 18

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Year 1 Fun phonic afternoon

Year One wrote an invitation to all parents inviting them to a fun phonic afternoon. It was great to see so many mums and dads (78% turn out!!!). The children enjoyed sharing some of the games and activities that they play at school as well as showing off their phonic skills. It was lovely to receive some really positive feedback from parents. A big thank you from teachers and children.



With the phonic screening not far away, we hope that this fun afternoon will help support your child's learning at home. If you didn't manage to pick up a leaflet please let us know and we can send one home via your child's book bag.

Healthy Eating hints and tips—Learn when to stop

Although children are born with the ability to stop eating when they are full, it can often be hard for parents to judge whether their children have eaten the right foods, and enough of them.

Teaching children to listen to their tummies and to ask themselves questions about quantity and quality, such as "Is my tummy full?" or "Will I feel sick if I eat those extra biscuits?" will give them the opportunity to develop their ability to sense fullness.



Friends and extra curricular clubs

Please be reminded that to enable you to receive information about Friends events such as discos, fetes, fundraising and family events, please ensure that you have notified the office in writing of your wish to receive such information and an up to date e-mail address. The same is the case if you'd like to receive direct communication about the various extra curricular clubs that we offer both after and before school.

Monkfield Park : Winter Wildlife Explorers

During the past few weeks, Eco Club has been promoting the RSPB's big schools bird watch and has been doing a range of activities from planning experiments, building a bird box and having a big bird watch. There are six different things having an effect on the environment: burning of certain fuels, rising water levels, deforestation, food, pollution and a decrease in birds. These feathered friends are vital for the environment and help plant life through seed dispersal. House Sparrows and other birds have seen a decrease in numbers over the past few years, particularly in urban environments. Currently, the RSPB is trying to increase the number of birds over the UK by promoting the big bird watch. All the data that we collect will be submitted to the RSPB'S website. Written by Harry, Year 6, Eco



Headteacher Roll of Honour

Finley in Delphinus Class—Finley's writing has come on leaps and bounds—it is wonderful to see his mature writing style.

Noah in Phoenix Class—Noah is always ready to take on a challenge and is really thinking about small steps he can take to excel in all areas.

Sentence Starters

Ask your Reception child to tell you about the visit from the Antarctic explorer.

Ask your Year 1 child which was their favourite phonic activity this week.

Ask your Year 2 child to show you how to tell the time of 'o'clock', 'half past', 'quarter past' and 'quarter to'.

Ask your Year 3 child to convert an amount of pence into pounds.

Ask your Year 4 child to explain why the book 'Lost Words' was written.

Ask your Year 5 child to tell you three similarities and three differences between two myths.

Ask your Year 6 child to name some of the parts of the eye and explain how it helps us to see.

Forthcoming dates

w/c 4th February—Book Week

4th February—Parent consultations for Violet Class only

12th February at 10am—Year 2 Spring performance

13th February at 2pm—Year 2 Spring performance

13th February at 9.30am—Reception 'Come & Share'

February—Parent consultations for Violet Class only

15th February—LAST DAY OF HALF TERM, CHILDREN RETURN **25TH** FEBRUARY

w/c 4th March—Discovery tuck shop

13th—20th March—Book fair

15th March—Red Nose Day

21st March at 9.30am—Reception 'Come & Share'

22nd March at 9am—Blue class assembly

26th March at 4pm—Year 4 Burwell House

information evening

27th March—Reception & Year 6 height & weight 14th checks

28th March—Parent consultations

2nd April—Parent consultations

3rd April at 2pm—Year 5 performance

4th April at 6pm—Year 5 performance

5th April—LAST DAY OF TERM, CHILDREN RETURN **23RD APRIL**