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People with time for Children

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Newsletter 12

Dear Parents,

Rags2Riches Clothing Collection – Tuesday 26th February 2019

Thank you for supporting us with our Rags2Riches clothing collection. We received 50 bags of clothes and raised £89.75 for the school. Our next collection will take place on 25th April 2019.

World Book Day and Sponsored Reading Challenge

Once again we thank parents and children for joining in the fun of World Book Day. The costumes and iced buns made the book sharing even more enjoyable than usual.

If your children have taken part in the sponsored reading challenge we ask that you collect and pay the money into the school through parentpay.com, our online payment system, before this Friday, 15th March. Thank you.

Photos of our World Book Day celebrations can be found on our website. www.littledeanprimary.co.uk

Donations

Mrs Webb is asking for donations of Lego, if you have any spare please bring it into school. Thank you.

Comic Relief – Friday 15th March

Red Nose Day is on Friday 15th March this year. We would like to help celebrate this day by inviting the children to come into school wearing something red. You may if you wish, make a voluntary contribution which can be collected on the day.

Momo Challenge

Understandably, parents and schools are becoming increasingly concerned due to the intense media coverage and the story being further fuelled by 'YouTubers'. Unfortunately this has led to some individuals adding doctored videos to YouTube and YouTube for Kids which have then been spread across social media as "proof" that the challenge exists.

Victoria Brinton, Cyber Protection Officer (Harm Reduction, Gloucestershire Constabulary) says:

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of the need to discuss internet safety with their children to ensure they know not to add / talk to strangers and that usage is supervised. Many of the stories seen have involved young children (mostly between the ages of 6-9) who have come across videos whilst using YouTube, an app rated for 13 year olds and over, unsupervised. We are also aware that some doctored videos have been added to YouTube Kids but the platform is working to get these taken down.

ParentZone have produced a three minute briefing for parents which may be useful to share:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/three-minute-briefing-momo-challenge>

Head teacher: Mrs Hayley McGoldrick

Lost Property

Once again we have a rather large selection of unnamed lost property. Please check through the items located in the School Library and claim lost items. All items not collected will be passed to Mrs Webb for her nearly new uniform shop.

Parking

Can we remind parents and carers who drop and collection children to and from school to be mindful of where they are parking. Please do not obstruct resident's drives, garages or allocated parking spaces.

The front playground should not be used to drop / collect or park without prior permission. Thank you for helping us keep our children safe.

Pre-School

Our opening hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8.45 – 2.45. If your child is aged 3 or 4 and you are interested in your child attending our setting please contact Mrs Worgan in the school office. If you are claiming for the 30 hours Government funding please ensure that you apply/update your code before 31st March 2019, so that the funding is available from 1st April 2019. Many thanks

Easter Celebrations

The Friends have organised an Easter Bonnet / Decorate an Egg competition. Children are invited to bring in an Easter Bonnet or a decorated egg on the morning of **Friday 5th April 2019**. Parents are invited to join us from 9.15 a.m. for an Easter Parade, refreshments and chocolate tombola stall. Prizes will be awarded for the best Bonnets and Eggs.

The Friends are holding a non-uniform day on **Wednesday 27th March** for donations of chocolate.

Our Easter Service will take place at St Ethelberts Church on **Friday 5th April** at 1.00 p.m. Packed lunches will be required. School will close for the holiday at 2.00 p.m.

Diary Dates

Friday 15 th March	Comic Relief – Wear Red
Tuesday 19 th March	PE Sessions for all – please ensure PE kits are in school
Wednesday 20 th March	Parents Afternoon
Thursday 21 st March	Parents Evening – All After School Clubs Cancelled
Tuesday 26 th March	Chestnut Class visit to Gloucester Music – last Gamelan session
Wednesday 27 th March	Non Uniform Day for Chocolate donations
Thursday 28 th March	Chestnut Class Swimming
Wednesday 3 rd April	2.30 Nearly New Uniform Sale – Willow Class
Thursday 4 th April	9.30 Rock Steady Concert
Friday 5 th April	9.15 Easter Bonnet / Decorated Egg parade and Friends Coffee Morning
Friday 5 th April	Last day of Term – St Ethelberts Service at 1.00. School closes at 2.00
Tuesday 23 rd April	Start of Term 5
Thursday 25 th April	Rags2Riches Clothing Collection
Saturday 27 th April	Friends Auction and Tribute Night at Cinderford Rugby Club
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Thursday 9 th May	Chestnut Class Swimming
Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SAT's Week
Monday 20 th May	Christian Aid Fund Raising Week
Thursday 23 rd May	Last day of Term 5
Friday 24 th May	Inset Day 3 – School closed for Pupils
Monday 3 rd June	Start of Term 6
Friday 19 th July	Last day of Term 6
22-24 April 2020	Residential Visit for current year 4 and 5 pupils

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