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NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2017



Parents' evenings It has been lovely to see so many parents at parents' evenings this week. Thank you for your support and interest: it is very much appreciated by staff.



Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is now in school! The Fair is open daily until Tuesday 3rd October, at the beginning and end of the school day, between 8.45 - 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 - 3.20 p.m.

We hope that you will enjoy the book selection this year. For all books sold the school can receive up to 60% in commission - last year £497 worth of books were donated to the class libraries. The children are writing "Classroom Wish Lists" again with their teachers (which you will find on display at the Book Fair) from which we take any commission earned.



'Wake and Shake' Club

We shall be starting this popular club again next week, from **Wednesday 4th October**. All children across the school are welcome to attend this club, where the children exercise to music to 'wake and shake' themselves up for the day! The club takes place at 8.30 a.m. – 8.50 a.m. Parents may bring their children to the entrance foyer for 8.30 a.m. prompt where a member of staff will collect them. At 8.50 a.m. the children will be taken to their classes.

Harvest Festival

We shall be holding our Harvest Festival on **Friday 6th October at 1.30 p.m.** to which all parents are invited.



We would be grateful for any contributions of tins, packets, bottles, pre-packed cakes, etc. at any time next week and fresh produce, cakes or bread on Friday morning.

The Friends of Coalway Infant School will be selling produce and items immediately after the service, at bargain prices! We intend sharing the proceeds of our Harvest with our local community by donating all monies raised and any items remaining after our sale to the Forest Food Bank. Forest Food Bank is part of Trussell Trust's UK-wide food bank network which provides emergency food to help families in crisis through the provision of emergency food supplies.

Parents may take their children home after the service if they wish – at approximately 2.00 p.m.

Photographs

'Academy' photographers will be on site on **Tuesday 17th October** to take individual and family photographs. Please complete and return the attached slip if you would like your child to be photographed.



Year 2 Clubs

Parents of children in Classes 5 & 6 will receive a letter next week giving details of after school clubs on offer to their children this academic year, starting next term.

'Let's Get Cooking' Club

Parents of children in Years 1 and 2 (Classes 3-6) will find a letter attached regarding our Let's Get Cooking Club. Reply slips should be returned to school by **Friday 13th October**.



Data Collection Sheet

Thank you to all parents who have returned the Data Collection sheet we sent home last week. Could any parents who have not done so and require changes to be made, please return the form to the School Office by the end of next week, otherwise we shall assume that the current details we hold are correct. **It is essential that we have up to date information about your child, particularly if we need to contact you during the school day.** Thank you.

Flu vaccination

Parents will find details attached of a nasal flu vaccination programme being offered to Gloucestershire schools from this year. As an extension to the national flu immunisation programme your child will be offered a flu vaccine that is given as a nasal spray; parents will find full details in the attached leaflet. In order for your child to receive the immunisation, parents should complete the online consent form. If the consent form is not returned your child will not be able to have the vaccine.

PTA

Our PTA, the 'Friends of Coalway Infant School' are always keen to recruit new members, to help with events throughout the year. Any help is appreciated and parents with pre-school children are welcome to bring them along to the meetings/events. If you are interested in helping in any way please call in to the School Office to let us know or leave your name on the PTA clipboard in the school entrance way.

The PTA would also really appreciate any further items of good quality **uniform** you no longer need, to sell on to other parents in school at very reasonable prices.

School Intake September 2018

The process for school admissions for September 2018 is due to start soon - if you have a child or know of anyone who has a child who does not attend playgroup or nursery and intends to start at this school in September 2018, please ask them to contact the school to register their child. Thank you.

Cauliflower Cards

Parents should find information attached about a fundraising Christmas project run by a company called Cauliflower Cards. Through the scheme, your child will be able to design their very own Christmas card or adhesive labels with you, at home. (Samples of completed cards and gift tags are on display in the entrance foyer should parents wish to see them).

Once your child has completed their art work at home, parents should return this on the completed Order Form to school, with payment, by **Tuesday 17th October**. Any orders placed will raise extra funds for the school (the school will receive £1.00 for each pack of cards purchased and 50p for each pack of gift tags purchased) whilst also making perfect cards to send to friends and family!

'Operation Christmas Child' Boxes



Please find a leaflet attached from the Samaritan's Purse organisation about the Shoe Box appeal, which we support annually. If you wish to make up a box we are able to accept these in school until **Thursday 16th November**. Please ensure that the appropriate label is attached and that payment is enclosed within the shoe box. (Spare leaflets are available in the school entrance foyer).



And finally, **Kids Club** are holding a Harvest Lunch on **Tuesday 3rd October** between 12.00-2.00p.m. Cost £3.50 to include soup, a roll and a pudding – all welcome.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

OCTOBER

Monday 2 nd & Tuesday 3 rd	Scholastic Book Fair	8.45- 9.00 a.m. & 3.00 – 3.20 p.m.
Wednesday 4 th	Wake & Shake starts	8.30 a.m.
Friday 6 th	Harvest Festival & Sale	1.30 p.m.
Tuesday 17 th	Photograph Day	
Thursday 19 th	End of Term	
Friday 20 th	In-Service Day – staff only	

Friday 20th October – Friday 27th October Holiday

Monday 30th

Start of Term 2

