



LANCASTRIAN NEWSLETTER

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AUTUMN TERM 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy half term we have had! The time has gone by very quickly and the children are well settled into their new classes and routines. They are all making progress in their learning and I have been very impressed when I have looked at their work books and seen what they are doing in the classrooms. The next half term will be packed full of learning experiences and fun activities as we move from autumn to Christmas. Please take a minute to read about some of things coming up later this term.

Charity donations

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to our MacMillan cake sale- we raised over £100 over the two days. We were very impressed with the huge variety of cakes and goodies that were brought in. We also had an amazing response to our foodbank donations on Friday. The children enjoyed their harvest breakfast as we reflected on all of the food that is harvested around the world.

Outside learning Day

We've had a great day today exploring our grounds and the local area. Bishop's Gardens is such a beautiful place and we were able to identify many signs of autumn. This afternoon everyone has had a chance to experience Forest School and we have created some fantastic artwork.

Coming up....

Squirrel Class 6 Weeks in

All Squirrel Class parents are invited to join their child and classmates for breakfast from 8.30 on Thursday 1st November. Following the breakfast Ms Lazell and myself will hold a short meeting about what your child has been learning and what we have planned for them. You will even get a chance to try out some of the learning activities. Please come along - it really is a worthwhile event. Younger brothers and sisters are welcome too.

Remembrance Service

As I am sure you are aware this year marks the centenary of the end of the First World War. As part of this celebration we have poppies and other British Legion remembrance products available for sale. We have also created some poppies that are going to be part of an exhibition at St Paul's Church. So that the children can see the exhibition in the church and take part in a remembrance service, we will be going to St Paul's Church on Wednesday 14th November at 2pm. Parents are invited to join us for this event and then may take children straight home from there. Children whose parents do not attend will return to school and be collected as normal.

Theatre Visit

Reminder- Year 2 children have the opportunity to visit Chichester Festival Theatre on 1st November. A letter has been sent with the details of this visit. Please ensure that you have sent the money and the consent form for this. Parents need to collect their child from the theatre after this event at 4pm. If you have a problem with this- please let your child's teacher know.

Parents' Evenings

These are scheduled for 6th and 7th November. A letter will be sent out about this straight after half term. You will need to complete the form and hand it in to your child's teacher. The quicker you get this in the more likely you will be to get your requested appointment. We would really like everyone to come and see their child's teacher so if you are unable to make these dates, please speak to us and we will try to accommodate you.

Sponsored Reading week

As you know reading is a vital part of our daily life here at Lancastrian. We have a comprehensive reading scheme and library but books get lost and damaged and we have been racking our brains to think how we could raise money for more books. So in the week beginning the 5th November we will be holding a sponsored Read. Mrs Turner will be writing to you with more details but be prepared to do lots of reading that week!

Book Fair

From 14th November for a week we will be holding a book fair. Books will be available for a reasonable price- stock up for Christmas- the school make a percentage of the profit and we will be able to use that money for more books for the school.

Yellow Photographs 14th November

Children will be photographed individually on this day and there will be the opportunity to have siblings photographed- more details to follow.

Clothes for cash

We now have a large green clothing container on the school site. Over half term perhaps you could take the opportunity to have a clear out. Bring in your unwanted clothes, shoes and linen. It will make additional money for the school when it gets collected.

Have a wonderful half term with your children and families.

Many thanks for all of your ongoing support in this and all matters.

If you have any concerns about the school or your child, please make an appointment to see me or your child's teacher.

With kind regards,
Zoe Gordon
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary...		
Date & Time	Event	Comments
28th September 3.15	MacMillan cake sale	Please provide cake to sell- more info to follow.
2nd and 3rd October 8.40-9am	Work sharing mornings	Details to follow.
11th October 10-11.30	Open morning for new parents (2019 starters)	Please tell anyone you know about this.
12th October 9.00	Harvest breakfast	Please bring items for the Chichester Food-bank. See website for details.
18th October	Outside Learning day	Outdoor clothes needed- more details to follow
18th October 9.05	Badger Class Assembly	All Badger Class parents welcome
19th October	Break up for half term	
29th October	INSET day	
1st November 8.30- 10am	Squirrel Class 6 weeks in breakfast and parent meeting	Details to follow
1st November	Year 2 visit to Chichester Festival Theatre- 'Join the Midnight Gang'.	Details to follow
5th November	Sponsored reading week	Details to follow
6th and 7th November	Parents' evenings for all classes	Details to follow
12th November	Owl Class assembly	All Owl Class parents welcome
14th November 2.15	Remembrance Service at St Paul's	Parents and carers welcome- further details to follow.
14th November	Book Fair starts	Details to follow
14th November- am	Yellow Photos- individual photographs	
15th November pm	Whole School Working with Others afternoon	Details to follow
16th November	Children in Need	Details to follow
30th November 3.15	Christmas Fair	Details to follow
6th December 9.05	Squirrel Class assembly	Parents of Squirrel Class welcome
7th December	4-5pm Christmas Disco	Details to follow
10th December	Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal	Parents with toddlers welcome
11th December	Christmas Play—performance 1	Details to follow
13th December	Christmas Play—performance 2	Details to follow
18th December 2.30	Christmas service at St Paul's Church	All parents and carers welcome
19th December	Break up Christmas holidays	
3rd January	Return to school	
15th February	INSET- break up half term	
25th February	Return from half term	
5th April	Break up Easter	
23rd April	Return from Easter break	
24th May	Break up half term	
3rd June	Return from half term	
19th July	Break up summer	

New dates added in red.