



# LANCASTRIAN NEWSLETTER

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### SPRING TERM 2019



Dear Parents and Carers,

The Spring term continues to be giving us lots of exciting learning opportunities. The Year 1s and 2s had a fantastic trip to Marwell Zoo last Friday. We were lucky that the weather stayed dry and we were able to see all the animals. We found out lots about the animal habitats and what they liked to eat. This links with the Science curriculum and the English work that the children are currently doing.

In Squirrel Class the children have been finding out about growing things and how to stay healthy. They are very good at knowing what is a healthy snack and what they should have to eat as a treat.

News...

#### Mrs Sheward

Mrs Sheward has been unwell for the last couple of weeks and she has really been missed around the school. We hope that she will be back next week.

#### Slippers

Our slippers trial continues. If your child has a pair of slippers in school please encourage them to put them on when they come to school. We now have two lovely new rugs (courtesy of Friends) in Squirrel and Owl Classes, which we are looking after by keeping them free of outdoor shoes. Badger class will be choosing their rug soon.

#### Upcoming events

##### Owl Class Assembly

All parents and carers from Owl Class are welcome to come and watch the assembly on 14th March at 9.05.

##### Comic Relief 2019

To raise money and awareness for Comic Relief, children can come to school dressed in their own clothes with an item of red. Please send a donation on this day.

##### Spirit FM

Spirit FM will be visiting the school again on 19th March. They will be recording our assembly that day and then talking to some children which will be broadcast on the radio- we will give you the details of when this is happening.

##### Squirrel Class Assembly

All parents and carers from Squirrel Class are welcome to come and watch the assembly on 21st March at 9.05.

##### Book Week

Our Book Week will be the week beginning the 18th March. You should have received a separate letter about this. The children have been asked to dress as characters from the book their class will be reading that week. You are invited to join us for a Book carnival celebration at the end of the day 2.40pm.

##### Parents' evenings

These will be on Wed 27th and Thurs 28th of March. Booking will be electronically through the website available from next Wednesday (13th March). Details will follow about this.

##### Forest School

Today is the last session for Badger Class and next

week Squirrel Class will start their sessions. A letter about this will follow early next week.

#### Dancehouse 2019

Our group of dancers will be performing their dance at the Alexander Theatre in Bognor Regis on 26th March 2019. We are very excited about this. The children in the school will get a chance to see the performance in assembly.

#### Little Big Sing- Year 2

On 28th March, Year 2 children will be joining other schools in our locality to celebrate National Sing up Day and perform song that we have been rehearsing in school. This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy singing with other people. The event will be held at Kingsham School this year and starts at 9.15. We would like parents to drop their children at Kingsham on that morning and then we will walk back to school after it has finished. We will be sending a separate letter about this but in the meantime, please let us know if this is going to be a problem for you so that we can try to organise alternative arrangements.

#### Outside Learning Day

We will be having our Spring Outside Learning Day on 29th March. Children will need to come dressed in outdoor clothes with appropriate footwear and a coat. As part of this Badgers and owls will be visiting Bishops Gardens and Squirrel Class will be visiting Priory Park.

#### Reminders:

##### School Uniform

Please make sure that your child is dressed in the appropriate uniform. The website has details of the correct uniform. If pupils do not have slippers then they should be wearing black school shoes- not trainers. It is also important that everything is named so please check your child's belongings.

##### Items from home

Please help us by ensuring that your child does not bring in toys or other items from home. It is very difficult to keep things safe and they can often be very distracting for the child.

##### Attendance

Please make sure that your child attends school regularly. Any absence has a significant impact on their learning.

##### Parking

We have had reports of some parents not parking responsibly around the school. Please remember that dangerous driving or unruly behaviour can have a negative impact on the children's safety and well being.

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
14th March	Owl Class assembly	Owl Class parents and carers welcome
15th March	First Squirrel Class Forest school	Letter to follow next week
15th March	Comic Relief	Details over
21st March	Squirrel Class assembly	Squirrel Class parents and carers welcome
13th-20th	Book Fair	
18th-22nd March	Book Week	
22nd March	Book Carnival	
26th March	Dance house 2019- small group Year 2	
27th March and 28th March	Parents' Evenings	See overleaf
28th March	Little Big Sing- all year 2	Details to follow
29th March	Outside Learning Day	Details to follow
5th April	Easter WWO	More details to follow
5th April	Easter Raffle and Cake Sale- Friends of Lancastrian	
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.		