



LANCASTRIAN NEWSLETTER

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AUTUMN TERM 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

This second half term is well underway and we are very pleased how the children have settled down to their learning. Their behaviour and attitude to learning is very impressive and many of them are making great progress. This half term Years 1 and 2 are thinking about different celebrations and they have loved using creative language and art to explore the theme of fireworks. In Squirrels the children have been writing some amazing stories about Halloween.

Parents' Evening

Many thanks to all of the parents in Squirrel and Owl classes who attended Parents' evenings this week. These meetings are always a very valuable opportunity for parents and teachers to meet, get to know each other and consider the successes and needs of the children. If you were unable to attend, please see your child's teacher who will try to meet you at another time. Badger Class Parents' Evening will be arranged when Miss Yeo returns (please see separate letter)

Squirrel Class 6 Weeks in

Many thanks to the parents who attended this event. It was lovely to see you there and a good opportunity to get to know some of you better. We hope you enjoyed finding out about what the children do in Squirrel Class and finding out more about how you can support their learning. If you were not able to attend, please take the time to speak with Ms Lazell about this.

Sponsored Reading week

I hope that you have been busy sharing stories and other books with your child this week as part of our sponsored reading week. You can continue (or start if you haven't already) over the weekend and collect your money next week. The child who raises the most sponsorship money has received the most in each class will receive a prize.

Theatre Visit

Last Thursday we took the Year 2s to Chichester Festival Theatre to see The Midnight Gang. This was a wonderful production of David Walliams' tale of a group of children who live in a hospital. The children were very well behaved and all seemed to really enjoy the experience.

Coming up....

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. Refreshments will be provided for families after the service. Children whose parents do not attend will return to school and be collected as normal. As this is a local walk that we already have permission for, we do not need further consent but please contact us if you have any concerns.

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 takes a percentage of the profit and we will use the money for more books for the school.

Children in Need

Next Friday is Children in Need day. To mark this and raise some money for this worthy charity the children can come to school dressed in spots, as 'Pudsey Bear' or wearing yellow. Please do not buy anything special for this, we just want to mark it and show that we are supporting it. Please bring a contribution on the day. In addition, we will be holding a 'Pudsey Bake Sale' and would be grateful for cakes and biscuits to sell after school.

Christmas Fair- Friends Meeting

Our Christmas Fair is also fast approaching. There will be a meeting to discuss this on **Tuesday 13th November at 2.45** in the Hive. Please come along everyone is welcome. The more people we have to help the better.

Year 1 and 2 visit to Chichester Cathedral

Owl and Badger classes have the opportunity to visit Chichester cathedral on Thursday 22nd of November. As this is a local visit we do not need additional consent but please speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions. We would be very grateful if parents could help by coming with us.

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.

Owl Class assembly

Apologies for the confusion with the original date. Owl Class assembly will be on Thursday 15th November at 9.05. All Owl Class families and friends are welcome to attend.

Squirrels and Year 1 Theatre visit

The students at Chichester College will be performing 'Alice in Wonderland' this year and we thought it would be nice to give our Year R and Y1 children an opportunity to experience a live show. This visit will be on Tuesday 22nd in the afternoon and will cost approx. £3. More details to follow.

Reminders:

Now the weather is a bit more changeable it is really important that children have a coat in school each day. It is also very helpful if they have wellies so that they can go out when it's wet without ruining their shoes.

Please remember that these items **MUST** be named.

Please ensure you update us with any change of personal details, including your child's medical and health needs.

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
15th November 9.05	Owl Class assembly	All Owl Class parents welcome
13th November 2.45	Friends Meeting to plan Christmas Fair	All parents welcome
14th November 2.15	Remembrance Service at St Paul's	Parents and carers welcome-
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 10 am	Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal	Parents with toddlers welcome
11th December 2 pm	Christmas Play—performance 1	Details to follow
13th December 2pm	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	
17th January	Badger Class visit to Pallant House	More details to follow
22nd January-pm	Squirrel and Year 1 visit to Chichester College- Alice in Wonderland	More details to follow
29th January -pm	Owl Class visit to Pallant House	More details to follow
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.		