



General Information Newsletter 2018-19

Dates for Term 3.

w/b Mon 14/1—Maths Week.

Weds 16/1—Parents to view work after school.

Fri 25/1—School Disco.

Mon 28/1—Year 1 trip to Toy Museum.

Thurs 31/1—Parent Council Meeting—9.00 am.

w/b Mon 11/2—Poetry Week.

Fri 15/2—Poetry Celebration Assemblies.

Fri 15/2—Last Day of Term 3.

Mon 25/2—Children return to school for start of Term 4.

Lost Property.

Please could we kindly request that all items of equipment and clothing are clearly named. This will enable us to return any items of lost property to the right children. Thank you for your help with this matter.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year break and had an opportunity to spend some quality time with family and friends. It is great to be back in school and the children have settled in quickly to the new term. We are looking forward to lots of exciting learning and activities over the coming weeks.

Please remember I am always available to discuss any aspect of the care and education we provide for your children. We are looking forward to continuing to ensure our school is the very best it can be in 2019.

Thank you for your continued support, which is greatly appreciated.
Chris Davey.

Maths Week.

The week beginning Monday 14th January is our whole school Maths Week. The week will be full of exciting maths based activities and aims to promote and further develop knowledge and enjoyment of maths. Activities will focus on developing thinking strategies, making links between Maths and real life and developing strategies for learning times tables. We are delighted to be welcoming Andrew Jeffrey, a leading Maths consultant and 'Mathemagician', who will be visiting school to launch the week with a special assembly on Monday.

During the week we will also be launching an exciting new approach to learning times tables in Key Stage 2. Times Table Rockstars is a fantastic on-line resource which enthuses and motivates the children to learn their times tables. Schools which have used this resource have seen some brilliant progress made with their children. Please look out for further details which will be distributed to parents and carers of Key Stage 2 children during Maths Week.



School Uniform.

Please could you kindly ensure that the children are all coming to school in the correct school uniform. Please remember the children should be wearing appropriate school shoes and trainers are not permitted. Please could you also ensure that the children have an appropriate coat in school everyday during the winter months. Thank you very much for your support.

Absence.

If your child is going to be absent from school please ensure that you contact the school office by telephone or e-mail on each day of the absence. This should please be done by 9.00 am at the latest so we are able to ensure the attendance and safeguarding of all our children. Thank you very much.



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New Year Disco Party.

Our Making A Difference PTA team will be holding a New Year Disco Party for the children on Friday 25th January. The Foundation/Key Stage One party will run from 4.30—5.30 pm and the Key Stage Two disco will run from 6.00—7.15 pm. Please look out for the separate letter for further details. I hope many of the children are able to come along and join in the fun!



Parents Viewing Work.

There will be an informal opportunity to view the children's work on Wednesday 16th January. The work will be available in classrooms/shared areas after school. We hope many of you will take the opportunity to look through and celebrate your child's work with them.

Attendance and Lateness.

Please help us to continue to ensure that children are in school whenever possible in order to help optimise their learning. Please remember that children should be in school promptly in the morning in order to start their learning on time. The playground doors are closed at 8.50 am and all children should be in school by this time. Any children who arrive after this time should be brought in through the front office.

Prospective New Reception Parents 2019.

Please remember that the deadline for applications for September 2019 Reception places is Tuesday 15th January. Please apply on-line at:- www.eastsussex.gov.uk/admissions. If you have any queries please contact the school office who will be happy to advise you.

Adverse Weather Conditions.

As we move into the heart of winter there is an increased risk of adverse weather. Please remember we will always try to keep the school open as normal if we are able to secure the safety of the site and can staff the school appropriately. In the rare event that we are unable to open the school, a message will be posted on our school website and a message sent via Parent Mail. You can also visit the East Sussex website to sign up for their alert system.

Parking.

Please could we kindly ask parents/carers to park safely and considerately when bringing children in to school in the morning and picking up in the afternoon. Please could we also request that engines are not left running when waiting at either end of the day. Thank you for helping us to make sure our children and families have a safe and healthy journey to school and for helping us to be considerate neighbours. Your support is greatly appreciated.