

School Calendar! 2018

May



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 96%
attendance

Value of the Term: Open Mindedness

Dear Parents & Carers,

It's been a busy two weeks since the last newsletter and children are all working hard. They've also had a fun visit from the Arty Fact Theatre Company as part of the Eureka theme and have enjoyed looking at and examining different Greek artefacts from the resource boxes kindly provided by the Wilson Museum. Class 2 have begun to learn more about Greek History with additional help from Chloe Turner, to whom we are all grateful for sharing her expertise and leading some of the sessions in school. I'm also really pleased to see such a buzz about maths around the school and plans are coming together well for our Maths Olympics week later in the term.

After school clubs are in full force - the sewing club have made really lovely bags and are now into planning the next project which is clothing and the new chess club and cricket club have also been well received. Mr Tylour is also busy teaching children to play cards! All of our after school clubs are well attended and once again I'd like to thank the staff and parents who run these - if I talk about them all I'll fill the page though! Mountain biking for Year 6's will begin, subject to their continued excellent behaviour, on 25th May in the morning. More on this nearer the time. From a housekeeping point of view please can I ask that scooters and skateboards and similar items are not brought into school at all, unless your child is using a scooter as the main method of transport to get to school in the way you would use a bike, in which case they now need to be left where Mr Ringer leaves his bike just by the office entrance for the school day and children can pick them up as they leave the school gate at the end of the day.

We're not trying to be difficult but we've had more and more arriving in school this week and having them in school and then stored on the playground is too much temptation for children to try to use them at inappropriate times and we also need to ensure the safety of all children who may be on our playground at both ends of the school day when there is no teacher supervision.

I'm looking into the possibility of having an after school scooter club to try and go some way to meeting the requests from children (Chalford Hill School have a scooter club and a ripstick club but they also have a flat playground!) and I'll keep you posted about progress with this. Also, due to the popularity of skipping currently we're also looking at having Dan the Skipping Man come into school who I've used in a previous school and who was amazing!

Class 2 are busy planning a Sheepscombe School Sponsored Fun Run as part of the Prince William Award and a commitment to raise money for a local charity, they'll be in touch about this themselves shortly. You may want to keep Monday 4th June free in the afternoon as I'm sure they'll be inviting parents along.

Attendance is still very much a focus for us as a school as we strive to keep overall attendance as close to 100% as possible and certainly over 96%. In line with current Government guidance we need to follow up all attendance below 96% and hold individual Attendance Improvement Meetings (AIM's) with parents where attendance falls below 90%. The Attendance and Inclusion officer for our area Nathan Roe will be invited to attend these meetings. If this applies to you we'll be in touch shortly - no news is good news! Taking time out of class to run meetings such as this means I spend less of my time working with your children and staff and on the other school priority areas, so please help us in the drive to raise the bar for attendance and stay off my list!

This may then seem in direct contrast to the previous comment and for that I apologise but a plea from all of us here in school - if your child has actually been sick after school or in the night, please keep them off school for 48 hours - children do tell us when they've been sick the night before and then been sent to school the next day - we don't always believe everything we're told but it's only fair to others to keep your child at home and to avoid the spread of germs for that period. Poor Mrs Lane was the latest to succumb and we hope she is better soon. Lastly, and a bit more of a fun note to end on, we hope you can all come to Sheepscombe Village May Day on Monday at the village hall. FOSS are running some activities for children and there are many other things planned by the village too. I hope the weather holds for it and look forward to seeing you there, where no doubt my own children will ask me for money to buy back the cake I have paid for ingredients for and spent time making, such is life, so I hope I'm not the only parent who suffers this!

'An inspiring setting where all children flourish' what more could we say? Mrs Vicky Barron Co-Headteacher

Diary Dates Week Commencing 7th May 2018

Monday 7th May	- Bank Holiday
Tuesday 8th May	- Card Games, Sewing & Knitting Club
Wednesday 9th May	- Cricket & Coding Club
Thursday 10th May	- Book & Stay and Play Club
Friday 11th May	- Celebration Assembly
	- PE Class 1 & 2
	- Music lessons
	- Sports Club

Diary Dates Week Commencing 14th May 2018

Monday 14th May	- SATS WEEK
	- Class 1 Ebworth & Class 2 PWA
	- Yoga Club & Chess Club
Tuesday 15th May	- Card Games, Sewing & Knitting Club
Wednesday 16th May	- Cricket & Coding Club
Thursday 17th May	- Book & Stay and Play Club
Friday 18th May	- Celebration Assembly
	- PE Class 1 & 2
	- Music lessons
	- Sports Club



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Celebration Assembly

Celebration Assembly Awards:

Head teacher awards for Communication -

Amy & Lauren

Behaviour Awards - Joey

Special mention for - *Sophie, Fenn, Noah, Tara, Bessie & Klara*



We continue to have a problem with Head lice in School, please can you treat your child with a recommended product straight away if you find any Head lice or eggs in your child's hair. Thank you

Eureka!



IMPORTANT - If you drop your children in the morning and allow them to walk to school, please be aware that they are not under the care of school until they reach us.

It has been noted that several children are being dropped and going on a little diversion before coming to school; we are all for developing independence but please emphasise to your child the importance of coming straight to school. Thank you

