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**BIRKLANDS**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Happening this week

### **Birklands Book Week 2016**

*Monday 8th February sees the start of Book Week at Birklands. It promises to be an exciting week encouraging a love of books and reading. Pupils across the school will be taking part in a range of reading activities.*

*Books will be available to buy from the book fair after school every day from 3 to 4pm in the lower school hall (in reception class on Tuesday when parents evening is in the hall).*

*Please come along and support our book fair as school receives a percentage to enable us to expand our book stock.*

*COMPETITION TIME- create an egg book character. Entries should be completed at home and the best will receive a prize! Create your own favourite book character using a hard-boiled egg- maybe Harry Potter, Little Red Riding Hood or Winnie the Witch. Entries will be put on display and should be brought into school from Monday.*

### **Upcoming Events**

*Birklands Book Week w/e 8<sup>th</sup> February*

*Internet Safety Week w/c 8<sup>th</sup> February*

*Parents' Evening 9<sup>th</sup> February 3-5pm & 10<sup>th</sup> February 5-7pm*

*Non uniform day Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February (£1 voluntary contribution)*

*INSET day Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February*

*Half Term w/e 15<sup>th</sup> February*

**Parents' Evening**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February  
Phonics sessions

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February  
Phonics Sessions  
Nightingale Project Years 3/4

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February  
Multi-Skills after school sports club  
– Key Stage One

Year 6 Maths Challenge @  
Shirebrook Academy

Southwell Choral Outreach – Years  
3/4

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February  
Swimming for year five children.  
(Nightingale class)

Year 6 Maths Club

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February  
Year 3/4P visit to Warsop library

Corporal Butcher after school club

*You should have received letters this week to make appointments for Parents' Evenings which are taking place next week on the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> February. Please return the letters to your child's teacher as soon as possible.*

### **Half Term & Weekend Activities**

*Attached is a flyer from Warsop Children's Centre with information about events and activities for children to take part in during half term.*

*Meden Sports Centre is also offering swimming on a Saturday morning 9 -10am followed by Multi Sports 10 – 10.45am all for just £2.50 each.*

### **Possible School Closure**

*Mansfield District council have advised us that we will be required to be used as a Polling Station for the elections due to be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2016, meaning school will have to close. We are currently appealing this decision because every day in school counts, especially the week before SATs! We will let you know the outcome as soon as possible.*

### **Free School Meals**

*If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals then please apply to Nottinghamshire County Council. Even if your child is in receipt of Universal Free School Meals, we may still be able access further funding to help with your child's education. To find out if you are eligible, please visit our website where you will be able to find out more information and online forms. Alternatively you can ring the FSM team on 01623 433009 who will ask you some qualification questions and give you an immediate answer.*

***Don't forget our competition to design a poster for Internet Safety Week. All entries to the office please. There will be prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>!***

## More Important News



**Stars of the week ending 29<sup>th</sup> January were:**

Reception – Max Jones & Courtney McDonald  
Year 1 – Leah Blackburn & Ewan Gilberthorpe  
Year 2 – Owdin Gill & Lexie Henson  
Year 3/4 L – Ilaisa Dau & Thomas James  
Year 3/4 P – Lucas Rayner & Asaeli Dau  
Year 5 – Joshua Parker & Logan Rayner  
Year 6 – Ella Bettridge & Martyn Toon-Haywood

*Best behaved class were the Nightingales in Year 5 – well done!*

*Attendance last week was 97.15% which was a huge improvement on the week before. The Doves in year 1 and the Goldcrests in year 6 both had 100% attendance. Well done! Thank you to all parents and carers for helping in this extremely important subject.*

## Planning ahead!

The Year 6 KS2 SATs will be administered in the week commencing 9 May 2016.

## We would love you to...

Join us for Maths games on a Tuesday morning from 8.30am.

Reading every Friday morning from 8.30am.

**CHILDREN WILL  
RECEIVE A TEAM POINT  
EVERY TIME THEY  
ATTEND!!**

Breakfast Club is held on a daily basis from 8.00am to 8.30am at a cost of £1.20



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