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Happening this week

Welcome Back!

Hope you have all had a great Easter break and are now ready for the new term. SATs will be upon us soon and the children are working really hard. Thank you for your continued support and help in getting your children prepared for the tests. Please continue to send your children in to school every day, ready to learn.

Over the holidays you will have seen that we have had some extensive work done on the school playground. It is now looking fantastic and the children are really enjoying the different spaces available to them!



Monday 18th April

Phonics 3-4pm

Tuesday 19th April

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Year 6 to Sherwood Pines

Wednesday 20th April

Multi-Skills after school sports club – Years 3/4

Thursday 21st April

Swimming for Year 5

Maths Club

Film Club

Friday 22nd April

Corporal Butcher after school club

Year 2 to Warsop Library

Attendance

Attendance last week was 97% which is an improvement on last term which averaged 95.54% and was the lowest of this year so far. This is below the 96% expected by both the Government and Birklands. If your child has a minor cough, cold, headache or other ailment, please continue to send them in to school and we will monitor them. If your child is ill then we will call you to pick them up. Please ensure that we have your most up-to-date contact details on our records. We are currently working with Meden's Attendance Officer who will be making home visits if we do not have a valid reason for your child's absence.

Library Visits

Library visits for the summer term are as follows:

22/04/16 – Year 2, Doves
29/04/16 – Year 3/4L, Siskins
06/05/16 – Year 3/4P, Kittiwakes
13/05/16 – Year 5, Nightingales
20/05/16 – Year 1, Jays
10/06/16 – Year 6, Goldcrests
17/06/16 – Reception, Robins

Film Club

Film Club dates for the summer term are as follows:

Thursday 21st April
Thursday 5th May
Thursday 19th May
Thursday 16th June
Thursday 30th June
Thursday 14th July

The Queen's Birthday Celebrations

We have decided to have a street party in the playground to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday. This will take place on Friday 13th May at lunch time. School dinners on that day will be sandwiches and cake but in order to make the party more festive we would be grateful if parents could make donations of crisps, biscuits and squash (or any other party food!). These can be dropped off at the school office during the week. I'm sure the children will have a great time – we will have bunting and music to make it a real treat!

Head Lice

We have had a few cases of head lice already this half term. Please ensure that you check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary.

After School Clubs

This term will be the turn of Years 3 & 4 for the Multi-Skills after school club every Wednesday until we break up for the summer. Corporal Butcher will continue with his club every Friday and Maths club will continue up until the SATs which take place w/c 9th May.

Please ensure that you pick your children up on time from school. If you are delayed, please ring the office to let us know you will be late.

Upcoming Trips

This week, Year 6 will be visiting Sherwood Pines on Tuesday as part of the Nightjar Project. Please ensure that you child has suitable outdoor clothing and footwear as well as a packed lunch and a drink. If your child qualifies for a Free School meal, then a packed lunch will be provided by school. Please let us know if you will be providing the lunch yourself. Next week will be the turn of Year 5. In June our Year 6 pupils will be going to Caythorpe Court on a PGL Adventure Holiday. If you have only paid a deposit for this then please hand your next payment into the school office. Payments can be made at any time and for any amount but the full balance must be paid by Friday 17th June.

School Dinners

The children have been really enjoying the new choices on the school dinner menu and the new system has worked well. Letters will be going out towards the end of this week for you to make choices up until the end of the half term. Please ensure that these are returned as soon as possible as the school kitchen will need to place orders for the food.

Shop for Schools

The last day for this is tomorrow, 19th April so if you have any shopping to do in the Four Seasons don't forget to get visit the Customer Service desk and post your vouchers. We are in with a chance to win £3000.

Sainsbury's Active Kids

Please help us to collect Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers to enable us to claim some sports or cooking equipment for our children. You can collect the vouchers every time you spend over £10 in a Sainsbury's store. Vouchers can be bought into the school office. The promotion runs all the way through to July so let's get collecting!

More Important News



Stars of the week ending 15th April were:

Reception – Angel-May Rowland & Joseph Taylor
Year 1 – Jacob Jones & Kayleigh Sefton
Year 2 – Caine Wilson & Adam Ashall
Year 3/4 L – Rhianna Floyde & Marshall Cannon
Year 3/4 P – Asaeli Dau & Faith Snuggs
Year 5 – Jorgie Foster & Ajay Smith
Year 6 – Kaitlynd Bell & Ben Shieber

Best behaved classes were the Doves in Year 2 – well done!

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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