Weekly Newsletter – 30th January 2017

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Library Visits

Don't forget library visits will be taking place this term on the following days:

13/01/17 – Y6, Goldcrest 20/01/17 – Y5, Nightingale 27/01/17 – Y4, Siskin 03/02/17 – Y3, Kittiwake 24/02/17 – Y2, Dove 03/03/17 – Y1, Jay 10/03/17 – Reception, Robins

Pupils at Birklands really enjoy their termly visits to Warsop library and the librarians are always very welcoming and pleased to see us. Pupils get the most out of the visit if they are able to take books out on loan to read in their own time. The librarians try to enable this as much as they can but they have informed us that if children don't have their library card or they have 3 or more overdue books then they will be unable to issue further books. Please support our visits by ensuring that children bring library books and their card to school with them on the day of their visit so they can keep enjoying the wealth of books on offer at our local library.

<u>Newsletter</u>

Hopefully you will all be aware that copies of the school newsletter are available on the school website. We have decided to trial not sending out paper copies but sending parents a text with a link to the newsletter online. As usual, we will still have paper copies available in reception for those of you who would prefer to pick up a copy to read. This will start with effect from next week.



Monday 30th January

Phonics Club 3-4pm Football Club 3-4.15pm Sport 4 Kidz lunch time activities

Tuesday 31st January

Phonics Club 3-4pm Choir Club 3-4pm Year 6 English Booster 3-4pm

Wednesday 1st February Lego Club – lunch time

Thursday 2nd February

EYFS Superhero Day KS1 Phonics Workshop 3.15pm Newspaper Club 3-4pm Year 6 Maths Club 3-4pm

Friday 3rd February

Year 3 Library visit Corporal Butcher after school club 3-4pm

PE Days

Reception – Monday Year 1 - Weds & Thurs Year 2 – Mon & Weds Year 3 – Thurs (tennis) & Fri Year 4 – Mon & Fri Year 5 – Thurs (swim) & Fri

Year 6 – Weds & Fri

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Valentine's Discos

These will be taking place on Thursday 9th February after school. As usual there will be two, one for EYFS and Key Stage 1 from 3pm - 4pm and one for Key Stage 2 from 4.15pm - 5.30pm. Tickets for the first disco will cost £1.50 and will include entry, refreshments and a party bag. Nursey children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. The older children will pay £1 on the door and will have a tuck shop available. Tickets are available from the school office.

Questionnaire Results

Many thanks to all our parents and carers who responded to our recent survey request. On the whole the results were very positive with most answers being either strongly agree or agree. We take the views of our parents and carers very seriously and always appreciate an honest answer. Please see the results below.



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Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Sainsbury's are again giving vouchers out for any shopping purchased until 2nd May. We will be collecting vouchers to hopefully get some more sports equipment for the school. If you have any vouchers please bring them in to the school office.

<u>NCMP</u>

The National Child Measurement Programme for our Reception and Year 6 pupils will be taking place on Wednesday. Parents have already had the information. Children will automatically take place unless you have sent in an 'opt-out' slip.

More Important News

Stars of the week ending 27th January were:

Reception – Connor Bicknell & Olly Warren

Year 1 – Bethany Emery & Charliann Preston

- Year 2 Mareks Apse & Regan Crawford
- Year 3 William Evans & Tj Hargreaves
- Year 4 Lainee Jones & Lily-Mae Palmer
- Year 5 Rhys Crawford & Jemma Hobson
- Year 6 Logan Rayner & Jessica Bridges

The best behaved classes last week were the Doves in Year 2 and the Kittiwakes in Year 3. Mrs Smith awarded both classes a special Birklands Ambassadors Award because of their fantastic behavior on their school trip to the National Mining Museum.

<u>Attendance</u>

Attendance last week was 96.08% which is slightly below target. We still need to improve if we are to meet our target for the year of 96.4%. The class with the best attendance were the Kittiwakes in Year 1 with 99% - congratulations!

Please remember that children can come to school with minor illnesses such as headaches and coughs/colds – we will look after them! If your child is going to be absent from school, please let the school office know as soon as possible and before 9am.

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.

We would love you to...

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

Reading every Thursday 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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