



Go On And Learn!

Kimberley Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter – 8th September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,



Welcome back! We hope you've had a lovely summer; the children have certainly had lots to tell us on their return! It really was lovely to see them all rush to their lines and greet their new teacher over the last couple of days. We've had a very settled start to the term with the children adapting well to the new school year. May I also take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Howarth, our new Deputy Head Teacher, to our school.

New School Rules

We have new school rules – just three of them.

At Kimberley Primary & Nursery School we are:

Kind

Prepared

Safe

These have been designed to be easily called to mind and enable the children to consider their behaviour in the context of three simple rules. Are they being kind, are they prepared and is their behaviour safe. It would also help them if you could use this language at home too. Thank you

Thought of the week



What makes a good friend?

As we begin a new school year, we are starting to think about what makes a good friend. How could we be good friends and what do we expect to see from a friend. We will also discuss this in the context of our new school rules.

Being Prepared

We would appreciate your help to ensure your child is fully prepared for school each day. P.E. kits should be brought into school on Monday mornings and taken home each Friday. Water bottles should be brought in and taken home daily. The Home-School diaries and reading books should also be brought in and taken home daily. SQUID accounts should be in credit to cover the costs of any dinners your child may have. Kits and equipment for clubs, music and swimming etc. also need to be in school on the day they are required. This will help to reduce disruption to learning during the school day.

In addition, please could parents move onto the main playground in a morning. We now have 60 children trying to get into the new classrooms in the morning and it has become a bottleneck with parents standing outside it. Thank you.

School Uniform – Look Smart – Act Smart

Thank you for supporting our school uniform policy. The children all looked very smart in their uniforms and took pride in their appearance. Please can you ensure your child's name is in as many items of clothing as possible. This enables us to quickly return lost items of clothing.

Pupil Information

Data collection forms will be sent home in the near future and we would appreciate your help in completing them carefully and returning promptly.

Newsletters

The weekly newsletter will continue to be published each Friday. You will receive a hard copy in your child's book bag and an email copy. It will also be on the website. Please take the time to read the letter carefully. Last year we often had enquires about events/activities whereby the information could be found on that week's newsletter or on the website.

MacMillan Coffee Morning



We will be holding a coffee morning in aid of MacMillan on Friday 29th September from 9.30am. We welcome any donations of cakes, homemade or otherwise, for the children to sell in aid of this very worthy charity. We will be serving from 9.30am.

Harvest Festival

We will be holding our Harvest Festival on Wednesday 20th September. Reverend Barbara will be leading this service for the children and the school council will once again decide where the donated food items will go. Last year, they were donated to the Eastwood Food Bank, the amount given allowed them to donate to 25 local families in need.

After School Clubs

Attached to our newsletter is the list of FREE after-school clubs we will be offering this term. Thank you to all the staff who have volunteered to run one. We are aiming to attend more sporting competitions with our pupils this year and extra practice at an after-school club certainly helps to bring about success! Some clubs will also be running at lunchtime, the children choose in school if they would like to attend.

Attendance

If your child is unable to attend school for any reason, please ensure that you let the school know before 9am where possible. This avoids us having to contact you. You can send an email or call the office, leave a message on the answerphone or send a note in with a sibling. Thank you.

Helpers in School

We are always looking for additional helpers in school for school trips and support in classrooms. If you are able to offer some time - even if it is only 20 minutes - half an hour in a morning, please let your child's teacher know. We really want to be able to ensure that every child is listened to read as often as possible, particularly in Key Stage 1 and to do this, we need more adults.

The Kimberley School Open Days

Those of you who have children in Year 5 and 6 will be thinking about their move to secondary school over the next year or so. The Kimberley School is offering the following dates for you to go and look around - please contact them for more information:

- Thursday 28th September (evening)
- Friday 6th October (afternoon)
- Monday 9th October (morning)

Thank you for your continued support. Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or myself.

Warmest wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Turner-Rowe".

Lisa Turner-Rowe
Head Teacher

Dates for your diary (so far!)

11.9.17	Egyptian Day - Newstead & Wollaton
13.9.17	Warwick Castle Visit - Clumber & Sherwood
13.9.17	Swimming starts for Year
13.9.17	Roald Dahl day - bring your favourite book Roald Dahl book to school
22.9.17	Bramcote Class visit to Kimberley library *
25.9.17	Rufford Class (afternoon) to visit Kimberley library *
27.9.17	Rufford Class (morning) to visit Kimberley library *
29.9.17	MacMillan Coffee Morning - 9.30am
3.10.17	Photo day - individuals
11.10.17	INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
12.10.17	Wollaton Class Assembly - 9am *
18.10.17	Diwali Craft Day - EYFS *
18.10.17	Cross Country Competition Years 5&6 *
20.10.17	Non uniform day 50p donation
23.10.17 -	HALF TERM
27.10.17	
31.10.17	Y5 & Y6 Athletics competition *
31.10.17	Flu Vaccination day Reception to Y4
6.11.17 & 7.11.17	Nursery closed for parent meetings *
7.11.17	Parents' Evening 3.30 - 7.00pm *
8.11.17	Ready for Nursery session *
9.11.17	Parents' Evening 3.30 - 5.00pm *
15.11.17	Ready for Nursery session *
22.11.17	Ready for Nursery session *
27.11.17	Newstead Class Assembly - 9am *
4.12.17	Trip to visit the Houses of Parliament - Newstead & Wollaton*
8.12.17	Christmas Fayre - Start 2.30pm *
12.12.17	EYFS Christmas Nativity (Rufford & Bramcote) *
14.12.17	KSI Christmas Nativity (Clumber & Sherwood) *
15.12.17	Christmas Jumper Day *
19.12.17	Whole school trip to the Pantomime (Mansfield) *
20.12.17	EYFS Christmas Party (Rufford & Bramcote) *
21.12.17	KSI Christmas Party (Clumber & Sherwood) *
22.12.17	KS2 Christmas Party (Rushcliffe, Newstead, Wollaton) *
29.1.18-31.1.18	Y3 Hathersage Residential
6.2.18	Safer Internet Day
16.2.18	Rushcliffe Class Assembly - 9am *

* Denotes more information to follow