

Parish Post

The Weekly Newsletter, Friday 9th September 2016

Welcome back to you all after a glorious summer break. We should also like to send a warm welcome to our new Reception and Year 3 children. This is an auspicious week for Reigate Parish Church Primary School as we have now transformed into an all-through primary school. We are all extremely excited by the new opportunities this expansion has given us and look forward to the journey ahead with you.

Improvements to the School

Over the summer holiday work took place on:

- A bigger school entrance area
- A wider office hatch (the school office will undergo its renovations in the October half term)
- A new footpath behind Playgroup
- All infant toilets have been refurbished, paid for by Southwark Diocese
- Installation of the demountables and wifi
- Year 3 demountable classrooms delivered, installed and set up

Houses

Look out for the names of the new houses coming soon in September.

Headteacher's Holiday Challenge

Please hand in the Headteacher's Summer Holiday Challenge work into your class teacher by 16th September for Years 1, 2 and 3 children and by 30th September for Reception children. All children who took part will receive a certificate.

Year 3 Presentations

Mrs Davis and Mrs Kennedy are continuing to hold Year 3 evening presentations to showcase and explain the learning and experiences our children have in Year 3. These will be for parents interested in Year 3 for September 2017. These were popular and enjoyable last year.

The dates will be:

- 7.30 pm Thursday 13th October 2016
- 7.30 pm Thursday 17th November 2016
- 7.30 pm Thursday 5th January 2017

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Curriculum Evenings

Each year we hold curriculum events early in September so parents can come along to hear how and what about their child will be learning. We encourage parents to come along. This year the events are on Thursday 22nd September:

- 7.00 pm – 7.50 pm for Reception and Year 1
- 8.00 pm – 8.50 pm for Year 2 and Year 3

- Reception parents will meet in Butterflies classroom
- Year 1 parents will meet in Caterpillars classroom
- Year 2 parents will meet in Honeybees classroom
- Year 3 parents will meet in Dolphins classroom

At these events there will be a sign-up sheet for parents waiting to come to our evening event where we explain how we teach phonics and reading through the 'Read, Write Inc' phonics scheme we have invested in, and a second event based on how we teach maths.

- Read, Write Inc phonics event – later on in autumn term, date to be confirmed
- Maths event – 7.30 pm Thursday 19th January 2017

Let's Pray Together

The school's prayer group, made up from parents, governors and Mrs Davis, will meet at 9.00 am to pray about the school, families and our community. Dates will be confirmed soon.

Dogs

This is a polite reminder to parents asking them to remind their child that it is not advisable to stroke a dog that is tethered, when it is not their own.

WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS: Cumulative Half Marathon

Don't forget that this cumulative half marathon is taking place on Sunday 18th September. It is designed to inspire a new generation to get fit and healthy outdoors. Each finisher will be rewarded with the same stunning half marathon medal as the adults, a technical t shirt and a goodie bag. Please read the flyer attached to the email to find out more information or visit.

<http://www.jellyfish.co.uk/runreigate/race-info>

This is a photo of some of the children from Caterpillars class who will be taking part in this half marathon. Good luck to everyone taking part.

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PTA NEWS:

Class Reps for Next Year

If you are interested in becoming a class rep next year, or have any questions about the role, please do speak to one of the PTA or contact your current rep. If you have assigned new reps already please can we have the contact details of your new class rep so that we can update our records. These can be sent to Lea Hamaker at leahamaker@yahoo.co.uk

Mrs Davis will invite all class reps to come for tea and cake with her later on in September.

PTA Committee changes

From the next AGM in September we will be looking for a brand new committee to take over the PTA.

We are looking for:

- PTA Chair or co-chairs
- Secretary
- Treasurer

The PTA committee have the important job raising funds and helping make decisions, along with the head teacher, about how to spend these extra funds on the lovely extras that our children get to benefit from that is not normally within the school budget.

If you think you might be interested in taking on one of these roles, please see me, or another committee member for more information.

Over the years we've had exceptional support from parents and raised substantial amounts of money for the PTA, and would love a new team to continue our success. Please speak to Sarah Hyde at sjbamh@aol.com

Event Teams for Next Year

We are also looking for a Fireworks Team and a Christmas Fair team to run both events next year. These both raised huge amounts of money for the school, and are fabulous and fun events for the family. Please get in touch if you, or a group of you, can help.

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Diary Dates 2015/2016 – new information in red

AUTUMN TERM 2016	
Friday 16 th September	Headteacher's Summer Holiday Challenge to be handed to your child's class teacher for Years 1, 2 and 3
Thursday 22 nd September	Curriculum evenings: 7.00 pm – 7.50 pm Reception and Year 1 8.00 pm – 8.50 pm Years 2 and 3
Friday 23 rd September	2.30 pm Parents' Forum – all parents invited to attend to talk to Mrs Davis about general school issues
Friday 30 th September	Headteacher's Summer Holiday Challenge to be handed to your child's class teacher for Reception
Sunday 2 nd October	10.30 am Harvest Festival service at St Mary's Church
Monday 10 th October	INSET day – school closed
Thursday 13 th October	7.30 pm Year 3 presentation for parents interested in Year 3 in September 2017
Tuesday 18 th October	2.30 pm Parents' Forum – all parents invited to attend to talk to Mrs Davis about general school issues
Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th October	Half term
Tuesday 1 st November	Flu vaccinations by school nursing team given to Years 1, 2 and 3 – details to follow
Thursday 17 th November	7.30 pm Year 3 presentation for parents interested in Year 3 in September 2017
Thursday 24 th November	9.00 am Parents' Forum – all parents invited to attend to talk to Mrs Davis about general school issues
Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th December	Christmas production week – details to follow
Tuesday 6 th December	Year 2 to Sparkfish Christmas Journey at Reigate Park Church – details to follow
Monday 12 th December	2.30 pm Parents' Forum – all parents invited to attend to talk to Mrs Davis about general school issues
Tuesday 20 th December	2.15 pm end-of-term Christmas service at St Mary's Church – details to follow
Wednesday 21 st December	Term ends at 1.30 pm
Thursday 5 th January 2017	7.30 pm Year 3 presentation for parents interested in Year 3 in September 2017
Thursday 19 th January 2017	7.30 pm Maths event

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INSET Days for 2016/2017:

- Wednesday 7th September 2016
- Monday 10th October 2016
- Monday 6th March 2017
- Thursday 29th and Friday 30th June 2017

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