

Parish Post

The Weekly Newsletter, Friday 2nd December 2016

Vision, Values and Aims

Please find attached to today's email the newly branded Vision, Values and Aims statement that will be going up around school.

Water bottles

The children will need to have their water bottles in school every day next week so they can have them to hand as they eat their school-provided packed lunch in class. As it is our production week and the stage is up for the whole week, children cannot eat in the hall and so are supervised eating in their classrooms.

Christmas Productions DVD

Once again, Marc Ashdown (an ex-parent) is producing a DVD of the Christmas performances. We ask parents not to film the productions and please look out for the order forms to purchase an official DVD.

Christmas Cards

It is our tradition at Reigate Parish for children only to make one Christmas card for their class and not to give everyone a card. This will help save the trees and so we should be grateful if you could help us with this. Thank you.

Christmas Party

On the last day of this term, Wednesday 21st December, the children will be having a Christmas party. The kitchen will be supplying party food and the children can come to school in party clothes on that day. Please remember that school finishes at 1.30pm on that day.

Church Service

On Tuesday 20th December we will be holding our Christmas end-of-term service at St Mary's Church at 2.15 pm. All parents are warmly invited to celebrate Christmas with us for the service on that Tuesday afternoon. During the service the children will be singing and sharing with us parts of their nativity performance and carols. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to come together as a school family. If you are not able to attend this service, please collect your child from St Mary's Church at 3.05pm. Children attending clubs, will be walked back to school for their final sessions of this term.

Eco Kids Collection

We have arranged another Eco Kids collection for Thursday 12th January 2017. Why not have a good turn out over the Christmas holidays and bring your items to school when we come back in January. We will be letting you have the recycling bags shortly but if you need to, please use a black sack.

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Craft Club

Forms for Craft Club in January will be available from the school office on Monday! Could you please return them with payment to school office by Friday 9th December!

Stamps for Leprosy Mission

Don't forget to bring your stamps to school for the Leprosy Mission and put them in the box in the school foyer.

In December, the children will hear more about this charity in an assembly. Please contact Karen Best (Emma, Butterflies, 07817 929155) for details

Weekly update on Junior Block

Thoughts and Dreams

School has had it confirmed that we will hold the short ceremony on Friday 6th January 2017 to place the special box of everyone's thoughts and dreams under the hall floor. As agreed with Sunninghill, for site safety, there will be one child per class and four adults present (so a ratio of two children to one adult). The foreman will provide the hard hats and we will use our hi-vis jackets and wellies will have to be worn. If you would like to include your thoughts and dreams then please hand them into the office by Friday 16th December.

Building the Junior Block - Information from Sunninghill :

Week Commencing	Key Activity
28 th November	Sub- structure blockwork Drainage and service ducts
5 th December	Sub- structure blockwork Scaffold Drainage and service ducts

The builders will work up to Friday 23rd December and then will stop for Christmas and New Year and will return, when we do on Tuesday 3rd January 2017.

Do look at the photos Jose has taken of the construction site – lots has happened this week.

Year 3 Presentation on Thursday 5th January 2017

Our next Year 3 presentation will be on Thursday 5th January 2017 at 7.30 pm. Do come along and hear about Year 3 if you have not yet been to one of these sessions.

We will be sending out information on the KS2 curriculum for our year 2 parents next week.

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RECEPTION AND YEAR 1 AND YEAR 3 NEWS:
Lots going on but nothing currently specific to report to parents

YEAR 2 NEWS:

Sparkfish: Christmas Journey

Dragonflies class is going to Reigate Park Church on 6th December to experience an interactive telling of the nativity story in the 'Christmas Journey' organised by Sparkfish. They are planning to get back to school around 3.15 pm for pick up.

Honeybees class will be going to this earlier in the afternoon, so please collect your child from school at the normal time of 3.05 pm.

How to get a place in Year 3

Parents are reminded that Reigate Parish has no Year 3 intake and as such parents whose children are due to leave an infant school in July 2017 will be unable to name Reigate Parish on their Year 3 application form. Whilst some children may leave Reigate Parish at the end of Year 2, we will not know how many until the Year 3 allocation has been run at the beginning of March 2017. At that time, if we anticipate that we will have vacancies at the start of Year 3, we may offer those places to children who are on the Year 2 waiting list and then to those who otherwise are without an offer of a Year 3 place. In order for a child's name to be added to the Year 2 waiting list, parents must submit an in-year application form to the school.

We should like to remind our Year 2 parents that if you want a Year 3 place and stay with us, you do not need to do anything. All our Year 2 parents automatically have a Year 3 place because we are now a primary school.

GOVERNORS' NEWS:

Lots going on but nothing currently specific to report to parents

PTA NEWS:

Scholastic Book Club - LAST CHANCE!!!!

The open order for Reigate Parish Church Primary School with Scholastic books will close on **Wednesday 7th December**. If you want to order any books in time for Christmas this is a great opportunity, but please be quick before it's too late! The link you need is <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/reigate-parish-church-school> and the ordering process is really easy. Buying books through Scholastic can help you bag a bargain and books can be earned for the school at the same time so it's a great way to shop.

Nicola Johnson (Darcie, Grasshoppers)

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Fundraising Cashback Schemes

As Christmas is rapidly approaching, please could we urge all parents to sign up to the The Giving Machine - <https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/find-a-cause/>
It's simple:

- You join for free and choose Reigate Parish Church School
- **You generate commissions** by shopping online (The Giving Machine work with over 1,500 retailers including Amazon, Play.com, John Lewis, eBay, Sainsbury's, Waitrose and Next).
- The Giving Machine convert your commissions into donations for the school.
- **You're raising funds for the school for free!**

To find out more information about the scheme, please visit

<https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/how-it-works/>

The school is also registered to cashback schemes with Yellow Moon, Micro Scooters, Riverford Organic Vegetables and Northbrook Wrapping. If you shop at any of these places, please remember to add the following codes at the check-out:

- Yellow Moon - SRE1150 or search for "Reigate Parish" when you checkout on their website www.yellowmoon.org.uk
- Micro Scooters - 125196 can be added to "Apply School Code" when you checkout on their website www.micro-scooters.co.uk
- Riverford Vegetables – visit www.riverford.co.uk/veg-for-parents or call Riverford on 01803 227 227. Set up a regular account, add the school ID code – SCH1052 in the 'notes' box when you register
- Northbrook Wrapping – visit www.northbrookfundraising.co.uk, select 'Reigate Parish Church School' at the checkout and the school will get 22% cashback on every item you purchase

Thank you and happy shopping!

Christmas Fair - Saturday 10th December 2016: UPDATE

Donations

Thank you so much to everyone who has already brought their donations into school. We've been given some wonderful items, but we still need more - particularly as new cuddly toys and chocolate items! Festive Elves will be in the playground at drop off and pick up every day next week to collect your donations.

Grotto

You can also book your child(ren) a place in Santa's Grotto in advance - Honeybees class will gladly book you a space in the playground at pickup and drop off.

Please be aware that the Grotto booking slips have the wrong information about where to meet. The Grotto will be in the Year 3 classrooms and therefore please meet five minutes beforehand there NOT in Playgroup.

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Colouring Competition

There's still time to get your entries in! Please drop off your completed forms with £1 attached in the box in the school foyer by Wednesday 7th December. There is an overall prize as well as eight class prizes up for grabs!

Mince pies

Next Friday please could all parents bring in 6 mince pies for the mulled wine and mince pie stall at the fair the following day.

Christmas Tea Towels

The children have now completed their portraits and order forms will be coming home shortly.

GENERAL NEWS: NONE THIS WEEK

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Diary Dates 2016/2017 – new information in red

AUTUMN TERM 2016	
Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th December	Christmas production week
Tuesday 6 th December	Year 2 to Sparkfish Christmas Journey at Reigate Park Church
Wednesday 7 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline for Scholastic book orders • Christmas Fair Colouring competition deadline
Thursday 8 th December	7.00 pm Year 3 Carol Concert in school.
Saturday 10 th December	PTA Christmas Fair
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00 am Prayer Group • 2.15 pm end-of-term Christmas service at St Mary's Church. All warmly welcome to attend. Please collect at 2.45 pm from the church if you cannot attend the service
Wednesday 21 st December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children come to school in party clothes • Term ends at 1.30 pm
SPRING TERM 2017	
Thursday 5 th January 2017	7.30 pm Year 3 presentation for parents interested in Year 3 in September 2017
Thursday 12 th January	Eco Kids Collection
Tuesday 17 th January	8.00 pm PTA meeting at school
Thursday 19 th January 2017	7.30 pm Maths event

PTA email: pta@reigate-parish.surrey.sch.uk

School website: www.reigate-parish.org

INSET Days for 2016/2017:

- Monday 6th March 2017
- Thursday 29th and Friday 30th June 2017

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REIGATE PARISH CHURCH SCHOOL

TERMS AND HOLIDAY DATES 2017/2018

	First Day	Last Day
Autumn Term 2017	Monday 4 th September 2017 - Half Term: 23 rd October - 27 th October 2017	Thursday 21 st December 2017
Spring Term 2018	Thursday 4 th January 2018 Half Term: 12 th - 16 th February 2018	Thursday 29 th March 2018
Summer Term 2018	Monday 16 th April 2018 Monday 7 th May 2018: May Day Bank Holiday Half Term: 28 th May - 1 st June 2018	Monday 23 rd July 2018

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