

Parish Post

The Weekly Newsletter, Friday 6th October 2017

Year 3, September 2018, Reigate Parish

Because we are a primary school every year 2 child automatically has a place in Year 3 at Reigate Parish. You do not need to apply because you already have a place.

In next week's Parish Post, we will be publishing a series of dates, the first of which will be in late October / very early November, when Mrs Kennedy and Mrs Davis will be presenting to parents about Key Stage 2 (the juniors) at Reigate Parish. All parents, whether they are from Reigate Parish or not, are most welcome to attend.

Finding more out about KS2

We have published literature on the opportunities within KS2 and they are on the school's website, they include:

- How we use the outdoor area
- Choosing Parish for KS2: A Mum's perspective
- Choosing Reigate Parish for KS2
- Year 3 write about their experiences- Sept 2017
- Lots of information on PE lessons, competitive sport and opportunities to represent your school in external events
- Long term planning (LTP)
- Languages
- Music

<http://reigate-parish.org.uk/join-the-juniors/>

Car Park

Please can we remind you again that the **car park is for staff use only**. The exceptions for this are Blue Badge holders (who must have their card displayed), dropping off to breakfast club before 8.30 am or collecting from an after school club from 4.00pm.

PE Kit

Now that the days are getting colder, we would ask parents to include extra socks in PE kits. Girls wearing tights need socks for PE. Also, it's useful to have spare socks for all on wet days when playground puddles are just too irresistible to avoid.

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Parents' Forum

For those parents who are new to the school, Mrs Davis holds a Parents' Forum each term where class reps come to talk about things their class would like to know about. If you have a question specifically relating to your child, you should speak to the class teacher about this.

In addition, other parents are welcome to attend. The meeting lasts for half an hour and will be held in the staffroom. The first meeting will be held at 9.00 am on Tuesday 17th October.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' evenings this term are on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October and the sign-up sheets are now available in the school office for parents to sign up for a slot to see their child's teacher. Please make sure that you do sign up. We are looking into an online programme where parents can sign up to an appointment with their teacher and aim to have it in place for the March parent/teacher interview meetings.

Dodgeball Tournament

Only two weeks left before our Ultimate Dodgeball tournament kicks off. In PE, classes have been learning the game of dodgeball and are gearing up for the upcoming house competition. In class teachers have been discussing who the British Heart Foundation are, what they do and why we want to support them. In 2015 we managed to raise an impressive £3,072,76, a target I would love us to beat this year. If an individual pupil manages to raise £50 or more they will receive their very own dodgeball. 36 of our pupils were successful in doing so last time. Thank you in advance for supporting our school, and pupils in raising money for the British Heart Foundation.

Clubs

All clubs that are run by outside providers give us a register of the children who have paid to attend. Once we have all the registers the teachers are able to know the children who will be attending the clubs and can ensure that they are passed over to the people running the club. Children who have their club in the new junior building are escorted across the playground to get changed in that building. The children will then be walked back to the main school entrance to be collected at the end of the club.

If your child starts a club after the official start date for clubs then you will need to let the class teacher know to add their name to our list. We do ask the club providers to update their lists but that information may not come from them immediately.

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Junior Library

Delve into your shelves: We are so grateful for all of the books donated to our junior library at the end of last year. If you had a summer sort out and have found some more junior-aged books, we would love to add them in! We have also heard that Roald Dahl books are being given away free with happy meals. Whilst we want to promote healthy eating, we also love a good read and would appreciate any unwanted books.

GOVERNORS' NEWS:

The Children's, Standards and Learning Committee met on Tuesday evening. Governors spent much of the meeting discussing the breadth of children's learning and how Reigate Parish can ensure the most creative curriculum is taught. Governors have asked for a report on this in the next meeting. Governors also looked closely at attendance data and noticed that the number of unauthorised absences and lateness of pupils have increased over the last two years, they were concerned about the impact this might have on the pupils' learning as well as the disruption caused to the class on the lateness of pupils. Governors are particularly looking forward to their Governor Monitoring walks this year and seeing for themselves the creativity shown in teaching the pupils over the school.

PTA NEWS:

CAKE SALE UPDATE Last week's cake sale raised a fantastic £120 – thank you so much to everybody who bought a cake and especially to the Y4 class reps who braved the rain to sell, sell, sell!

Firework Spectacular 2017 - ORDER FORM DEADLINE is Monday 16th October

This year's Firework Spectacular is on Saturday 4th November. Tickets are selling like hot cakes, so please don't miss out and get your order forms in as soon as possible! This is an **advance ticket only event** and tickets are being sold on a first come first served basis. No tickets will be sold on the night. This event was a sell out in 2016 and with limited tickets available, don't delay in returning your order to guarantee one!

All completed forms and payment must be returned by **Monday 16th October** and posted in the white box outside the school office. Family and friends are welcome, please direct them to www.reigate-parish.org.uk/PTA/firework-spectacular where order forms can be printed out. Order forms are also available from the school office.

Each class has been allocated a stall or job to do on the day and class reps are now asking for volunteers to help run the event. This is a big fundraiser for the school so please lend a hand where you can and make it an event to remember!

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The Firework Display Team are seeking volunteers to help before and during the event to set up the fireworks and lighting. There is a Firework Display planning meeting on **Tuesday 17th October at 8pm in 'The Venture Inn'**. We are always welcoming new helpers and no previous experience is necessary. Please email colinbest@hotmail.com if you are interested.

Any enquiries, please email parishfireworks@gmail.com.

CAULIFLOWER CARDS Please put your completed forms and payment into the white box in the reception foyer no later than **Monday 16th October**. Cheques should be made payable to Reigate Parish Church School PTA.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING – Wednesday 15th November, 8-10pm. We still have some stalls available so please email Claire or Celia on parishptacochairs@gmail.com or grab us in the playground for more details if you are interested or have any suggestions for people we could approach.

CHRISTMAS FAIR – Saturday 2nd December, 12-3pm. We are incredibly grateful to Laura Baxter and Ellen White, who will be organising the Christmas fair this year. Extra hands are always welcome so if you would like to help please let us know!

Please also get in touch if you have any raffle prizes which you would like to donate; the raffle is always a huge fundraiser so any donations will be very gratefully received.

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

If you haven't already, please do join **TheGivingMachine** – a quick and easy way to generate money for the school through online shopping at no extra cost to you! The school's quick sign up code is **56764** and sign up only takes a minute.

<https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/>

The school is registered to cashback schemes with 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.

- **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.

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Move Revolution

Move Revolution are a Reigate and Redhill Estate Agent. They are a fundraising supporter of our school, as well as supporting the PTA with various events during the year. If you sell your home with Move Revolution, they will give back £250 to our PTA. To qualify for the £250, please make sure that the 'offer' is noted at the point of Valuation with the Reigate team – Louise Simpson and Damian Bligh. If you are thinking of selling or letting your home now, or in the future, they would love to hear from you, please call 01737 888220.

GENERAL NEWS:

Reigate Parish Playgroup

Job Advertisement – Level 3 Early Years Practitioner

Salary: Dependent on experience

Hours: Monday and Friday, 8.30am to 3.45pm. Term Time only (38 weeks per year) but salary paid throughout the year.

Start date: 30th October 2017

For more information and to apply, please download a job description and application form from www.reigateparishplaygroup.org.uk or email info@reigateparishplaygroup@gmail.com

Closing date for applications: Wednesday 11th October 2017. Interviews week commencing 16th October 2017

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Diary Dates 2017/2018 – **new information in red**

AUTUMN TERM 2017	
Wednesday 11 th October	6.30 pm Year 4 Grosvenor Hall soirée
Thursday 12 th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7.00 pm – 7.45 pm Read Write Inc presentation for parents of Reception and Year 1 in Butterflies classroom • 7.50 pm – 8.30 pm Spelling programme meeting for parents of Years 2, 3 and 4 in Caterpillars classroom. All welcome and encouraged to come
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th October	British Heart Foundation Dodgeball competition
Monday 16 th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline for Cauliflower Christmas Cards order forms • Deadline for receipt of Firework Spectacular order forms
Tuesday 17 th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00 am Parents' Forum in staffroom • 4.30 pm – 8.00 pm Parents' Evening
Wednesday 18 th October	3.30 pm – 6.30 pm Parents' Evening
Thursday 19 th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 2 DT making day- Making Lighthouses. Parental help needed. Please speak to the class teacher • Year 4 DT Making Day – details to follow
Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th October	Half term
Monday 30 th October	Dedication of junior building by the Bishop of Southwark – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
Tuesday 31 st October	9.00 am Prayer Group – all parents invited to attend
Wednesday 1 st November	Individual photos by Fraser Portraits
Saturday 4 th November	PTA Firework display
Monday 6 th November	Year 4 Egyptian day – details to follow
Wednesday 8 th – Friday 10 th November	Year 3 Ufton Court
Tuesday 14 th November	6.30 pm Year 3 Ufton Court Soirée for children and parents
Wednesday 15 th November	PTA Christmas Shopping Event
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need – details to follow
Thursday 23 rd November	Nasal flu spray administered by school nursing team to whole school
Friday 24 th November	Years 3 & 4 Movie Night – details to follow
Tuesday 28 th November	9.00 am Prayer Group – all parents invited to attend
Monday 27 th November – Friday 1 st December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last week for clubs • Brake Week, Bikelt – details to follow
Saturday 2 nd December	12.00 noon – 3.00 pm Christmas Fair
Tuesday 5 th December	Year 2 Christmas Journey, Reigate Park Church – details to follow

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Tuesday 12 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.15 am – 10.00 am Reception Christmas production – in junior hall • 10.30 am – 11.30 am Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas production – in junior hall
Thursday 14 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.15 am – 10.00 am Reception Christmas production – in junior hall • 10.30 am – 11.30 am Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas production – in junior hall • 6.30 pm Years 3 and 4 Carol Concert at Reigate Grammar School – details to follow
Wednesday 20 th December	2.15 pm – 2.45 pm Christmas church service at St Mary's Church. All parents invited to attend. Details to follow
Thursday 21 st December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muffin day for Christmas parties and activities Term ends: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.15 pm for Key Stage 1 (infants) • 1.30 pm for Key Stage 2 (juniors)

INSET Days 2017/2018:

- **Monday 5th March 2018**
- **Friday 25th May 2018**
- **Friday 29th June 2018**

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