

Parish Post

The Weekly Newsletter, Friday 3rd November 2017

Please no more lates

In the first half of the Autumn Term we had 55 occasions when 36 children were late into school. Now this may only be for 5 minutes each but overall that is four hours and 35 minutes of learning lost as well as disruption to the rest of the class and to the teacher during registration. For the vast majority of children it was on a single occasion but for a 10 it was between 2 - 7 occasions. I know it is hard getting children going in the morning and there are lots of pressures on families at this critical time before school, but if families could be mindful of arriving at school so their child is in class by 8.55am then it is greatly appreciated.

The Bishop Visits School to formally open the Junior Building

Please see the attached document.

Breakfast Club

Just to remind you, Breakfast Club is now trialling an earlier start from 7.15 am at a cost of £8.00 including breakfast, for the full session.

Year 3, September 2018, Reigate Parish Church Primary School

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.

Look out for the invitation given to all Year 2 parents to come to a Key Stage 2 presentation delivered by Mrs Davis and Mrs Kennedy at 7.30 pm on

- 6th December 2017
- 8th January 2017

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Key Stage 2 Presentation – Year 3 teachers in September 2018

At the Key Stage 2 Presentation this week Mrs Davis told the parents that Mrs Kennedy, Mrs Saunders and Mrs Andrew will be the Year 3 teachers for the next academic year. Obviously there may be factors between now and the summer term which means this could have to change.

In January advertisements will be placed, for two teachers needed for September 2018.

Currently there is an advertisement on eteach for a Year 4 maternity leave teacher. If you know of someone who is interested, then please tell them about this job vacancy.

Finding more out about KS2

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

- Year 4 Grosvenor Hall residential
- 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/>

Poppy Appeal

Dragonflies and Dolphins will be selling poppies after school during the week beginning 6th November. £1 is a suggestion donation. On 10th November we will be holding a whole school remembrance assembly. Year 3 will have their remembrance assembly at Ufton Court.

The Holly Run- Sunday 17th December - for all children aged 8 and older

If your child wants to participate in this event, please complete the form (which has been emailed to all families in Years 3 and 4) and hand it in to the office FAO Mrs. Saunders by 1st December. Please remember to hand it in with your cash payment of £5. Please speak to Mrs Saunders if you have any questions.

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Planning a party? Wanting a bigger space for that special event?

You can hire the school's junior or infant hall and outdoor space. Very good competitive rates. Please contact the school business manager, Mrs Lis Bowen, on admin@reigate-parish.surrey.sch.uk for more details.

Children In Need

Honeybees and Turtles will be selling Children in Need keyrings after school during the week of 13th November. They cost £1 each.

YEAR 3 NEWS:

Christmas Making day is on Thursday 30th November and Year 3 will need to bring in some items. Each child will need to have a jam jar and transparent circular yogurt lid each. Thank you.



GOVERNORS' NEWS:

Resources Committee

The Resources Committee met on Tuesday evening to discuss the school budget, they spent a long time discussing the current needs of the school and the money available to meet these needs such as blinds in the new Junior Block and an AV system in the Junior Hall. They also spent time looking at the Governors' Fund and they are very grateful to all parents who have sent in their contributions so far. If you haven't yet done so it is not too late and the money will be going towards items in school to ensure your child(ren) have the best resources available to them.

GENERAL NEWS:

Operation Christmas Child

Don't forget to bring in your Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes. Please leave them in the reception foyer. The boxes will be collected on Tuesday 14th November .

YMCA East Surrey Santa Run, Sunday 10 December 2017, Priory Park, Reigate

The YMCA Santa Run is returning to Priory Park on Sunday 10 December 2017. Santas of all ages and abilities are invited to join us in a choice of races to raise money for YMCA East Surrey and to have some festive fun!

The race timetable is as follows and all entries receive a free Santa Suit, drink and medal:

- 10:30 | Adult 3 mile (16+)
- 11:15 | Junior 1 mile (8 – 15yr olds wishing to run on their own – no adults)
- 11:45 | Family 1 mile (Adults and juniors 4+)

With the popularity of this event and to ensure even more Santas can take part, we have increased our numbers. We still have limited places available. To enter please visit <http://www.ymcaeast Surrey.org.uk/santa-run/>. Ho ho hope to see you there!"

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PTA NEWS:

FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR! Tomorrow the gates will be open from 5pm. Come early and enjoy hot dogs, prosecco, mulled wine and craft ale! There are glow sticks and a quiet activity room for the kids. Please note that no heels, food or drink will be allowed on the MUGA pitch. Firework competition winners will be announced at 6.10 pm and the display will start at 6.30 pm promptly! Enjoy, it will be spectacular! If tickets have not been collected by Friday, they will be in school bags at Friday pick up. Please email parishfireworks@gmail.com with any enquiries.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING – Wednesday 15th November, 8 pm-10 pm. We have some fantastic stallholders lined up for this event including Silent Pool Distillers (need we say more?!), Stella and Dot and Gerrards to name but a few. Tickets are £4 in advance or £5 on the night and include a glass of prosecco. This is always a fun and sociable night and is open to everyone, not just parents, so please do bring a friend or three!

Tickets will be available from the organising team from today (Claire Johnstone, Suzy Shade and Chrissie Purdy) or through the PTA (Celia or Claire).

CHRISTMAS FAIR – Saturday 2nd December, 12 noon - 3pm. We are still short of volunteers both for general organisation and to be on the face painting team – full training will be given, so please contact Claire on parishptacochairs@gmail.com if you are interested.

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.

CHRISTMAS PARTY – FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER – save the date and watch this space!

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Diary Dates 2017/2018 – new information in red

AUTUMN TERM 2017	
Saturday 4 th November	PTA Firework display
Monday 6 th November	Year 4 Egyptian day. Parent helpers needed.
Wednesday 8 th – Friday 10 th November	Year 3 Ufton Court
Tuesday 14 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation Christmas Child boxes being collected • 6.30 pm Year 3 Ufton Court Soirée for children and parents
Wednesday 15 th November	8.00 pm – 10.00 pm PTA Christmas Shopping Event
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need – details to follow
Wednesday 22nd November	7.00 pm – 8.00 pm Read Write Inc presentation for parents of Reception and Year 1 children – details to follow
Thursday 23 rd November	Nasal flu spray administered by school nursing team to whole school. Information and permission forms being sent home to parents after half term.
Friday 24 th November	Years 3 & 4 Movie Night - Despicable Me
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
Thursday 30 th November	Christmas Making Day – parent helpers needed. 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. Parent volunteers needed.
Wednesday 6 th December	7.30 pm Year 2 presentation for parents about Key Stage 2 and life in the junior school
Friday 8 th December	Christmas production costumes to be in school by today
Saturday 9th December	10.00 am Holly Run practice in Priory Park – Years 3 and 4
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. Children to wear full school uniform.

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Friday 15 th December	PTA Christmas Party for parents – details to follow
Sunday 17 th December	Holly Run in Priory Park – Years 3 and 4
Monday 18 th December	1.30 pm Year 2 walk to St Mary's Church for Christmas service practice. Parent volunteers needed.
Tuesday 19 th December	Children's Christmas lunch- details to follow for packed lunch children
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"> • Mufti day for Christmas parties and activities. Children to wear party clothes. 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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