

Parish Post

The Weekly Newsletter, Thursday 21st December 2017

Year 4 Maternity Cover Teacher

Reigate Parish Church Primary School is looking for a Year 4 maternity leave teacher to work Monday and Tuesday in Summer and Autumn Term 2018. Anyone interested, should contact the school on 01737 244476, email admin@reigate-parish.surrey.sch.uk and look on Eteach for the application form, job description and person specification.

News from the school office

School Meals payment due

School dinner money for the start of the spring term is now due for the period up to half term, the cost is £63.00. Please log into Scopay/Tucasi to pay the amount that is outstanding for your child. If you would like your child to change from/to school dinner then you need to email the school office, changes will be effective as from 8th January 2018.

Clubs in the spring term

Each class teacher has a list in their classroom with the names of the children who attend each teacher club. They will also have a list of the children who attend the privately run clubs once we have received their registers.

Reception applications for September 2018

In an effort to reduce the number of late applications received, Admissions & Transport would like to remind parents that the closing date for Reception applications for September 2018 entry is **15 January 2018**.

Stamps for Leprosy Mission

Christmas is coming - and that includes Christmas cards! Please remember to donate your used stamps for the Leprosy Mission. The collection box is in the foyer. The Leprosy Mission sell used stamps as part of their efforts to raise money for their important work. Last year we collected a huge amount of used stamps, and it was really great to be able to send them to the Leprosy Mission and know they were being used to help transform the life of people affected by leprosy. Please contact Karen Best (Emma, Caterpillars, 07817 929155) for any details.

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Key Stage 2/Year 3 Presentation

Please come to hear about the "Day in the Life of a Year 3 child" on 8th January 2018 at 7.30 – 8.30 pm in one of the Year 3 classrooms, led by the Year 3 teachers Mrs Kennedy, Mrs Saunders and Mrs Andrew. This will be the last of our Year 3/Key Stage 2 presentations.

Wednesday 17th January 2018: Maths Evening in the Junior Hall

Reception and Key Stage 1: 7.00 pm – 7.50 pm

Key Stage 2: 8.00 pm – 8.50 pm

Please come along to our Maths Evening event on Wednesday 17th January. Each session will begin with a general introduction to how we teach maths at Reigate Parish Church Primary School and will then be followed by a more detailed explanation from each year group. The evening will have a focus on times tables, the four mathematical operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and reasoning in maths. We have split the sessions into Reception & Key Stage 1 at 7.00 pm -7.00 pm and Key Stage 2 at 8.00 pm – 8.50 pm. We hope to see you in our wonderful new junior hall for this event! Mrs Sophie Wantenaar

Joining Year 3 at Reigate Parish Church Primary School – September 2018

To join Year 3 (in September 2018) at Reigate Parish Church Primary School from **another school**, you need to complete the Admissions & Transport "in-year application form for current Year 2", available online. This is the agreed mechanism between the school's Governors and Admissions & Transport for applying for a place for Year 3 in September 2018.

You complete the form, send it to Admissions and Transport who then notify the school that you are on our waiting list. You can inform school letting us know that you are going through this process if you wish. Then after the January 15th 2018 deadline, when Admissions and Transport are in the process of allocating the Year 3 places, they will know which families (from different schools) would like a Year 3 place at Reigate Parish.

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.

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.

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Wet play games for Years 3 & 4

As the weather has turned inclement the children are spending bad weather lunchtimes in their classrooms. It would be wonderful if we could have a greater selection of games for the children to play and therefore ask if people would mind donating any games that they no longer need. The children would particularly like chess, draughts, top trumps, Lego, snakes and ladders, Knex, Bingo & Battleships. Thank you in advance.

YEAR 4 NEWS:

"Iron Age": Year 4 Spring 1 topic

Year 4 will be starting a new topic in January - "Sticks, Stones and Iron" which will cover the bronze, stone and iron age. . Over the holiday, please can you have a look around your house or ask any neighbours for any images or information books on this topic? We would also be grateful if you could find any of the following which will help in our role play corner: sticks, feathers, stones (small or medium sized) and string. Thank you in advance, Year 4 team.

PTA NEWS:

CHRISTMAS PTA PARTY – Thank you to everyone who came to the party last Friday – I think it's fair to say that a good time was had by all! We have raised over £700 for the school and £100 for Save the Children, a fantastic amount for an inaugural event.

CHRISTMAS DVDS – Christmas Production DVDs should be coming home in book bags today.

CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS – Thank you to everyone who bought a Christmas pudding. We had a small amount left over and we have decided to donate these to the Easter Project, a wonderful charity providing meals and much more for vulnerable people in Reigate.

PTA SPRING MEETING – The next PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday 16th January in the junior hall at 8pm. All are welcome and refreshments will be provided.

GENERAL NEWS:

Resources on adoption

Adoption- Preparing for Homestudy

https://www.babycenter.com/0_preparing-for-a-homestudy_1342127.bc

Understanding the Relationship Between Adoption and Mental Health Issues

<http://www.swiftriver.com/adoption-mental-health-issues/>

Contact :Luke Murray, luke@councilofneighbors.org for any other useful articles on adoption eg 'What You Need to Know About the Adoption Process', 'Eating Problems in Foster Children' , 'Birthparent Guidebook'.

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Diary Dates 2017/2018 – new information in red

SPRING TERM 2018	
Wednesday 3rd January	Term starts at 8.55 am
Monday 8 th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7.30 pm Key Stage 2 presentation to Year 2 parents • Reception 'Life Long Ago' workshop
Tuesday 9 th January	Year 2 Pets Talk
Monday 15 th January	Deadline for applications to Reception for 2018 entry
Tuesday 16 th January	8.00 pm PTA meeting in junior hall
Wednesday 17 th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7.00 pm Reception and Key Stage 1 Maths evening in junior hall • 8.00 pm Key Stage 2 Maths evening in junior hall
Thursday 25 th January	Year 3 DT Day 'Fire of London' – parent helpers needed
Wednesday 31 st January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Years 3 and 4 Gymnastic competition at Donyngs – selected pupils and details to follow • Year 4 visit St Bede's School to watch production – details to follow
Thursday 1 st February	Year 4 DT day 'Build a Bridge' – parent helpers needed
Friday 2 nd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00 am Parents' Forum in staffroom • 3.00 pm Cake Sale – Reception • PTA Quiz Night for parents in junior hall – details to follow
Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th February	"Around the World" Art Week
Tuesday 6 th February	3.30 pm Years 3 and 4 Cross country practice race in Reigate Priory
Friday 9 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTA Valentine Discos – details to follow • Art Week Gallery for parents to look at art work, after school
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th February	Half term
Tuesday 20 th February	3.30 Years 3 and 4 Cross country race in Reigate Priory
Thursday 22 nd February	Year 2 Multi Skills at St Bede's School for selected children
Friday 23 rd February	3.00 pm Cake Sale – Year 1
Monday 5 th March	INSET day – school closed
Tuesday 6 th March	Year 3 French Café
Wednesday 7 th March	Year 1 Starsteppers Dance Festival – details to follow
Friday 9 th March	3.00 pm Cake Sale – Year 2
Monday 12 th March	Years 3 and 4 boys' football tournament, Earlswood School
Friday 23 rd March	3.20 pm Cake Sale – Year 3
Monday 26 th March	4.30 pm – 8.00 pm Parents' Evening

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Wednesday 28 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Years 3 and 4 girls' football tournament, Furzefield School • 3.30 pm – 6.30 pm Parents' Evening
Thursday 29 th March	Term ends: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Stage 1 at 1.15 pm • Key Stage 2 at 1.30 pm

INSET Days 2017/2018:

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

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