

Parish Post

The Weekly Newsletter, Friday 2nd March 2018

World Book Day – Rearranged Date

World Book Day – **changed to Wednesday 21st March 2018** – for the children

Children are invited to celebrate reading and our school world book day by coming to school dressed as their favourite character where they will meet staff dressed as their favourite book character. If children have a book with their character in, then please bring it (named) into school.

On the day the children will take part in lots of different book themed activities. We are going to hold our actual Book Week the week of Monday 21st May where a book fair will be held at school.

At assembly that day our “book by book, building our library together” fundraising project will be launched to the children and they will see a very exciting video, learn a new song purposefully written and arranged for our children and will be told about our plans to fully equip our KS2 library.

Evening of **Wednesday 21st March 2018, 7pm, in the Junior Hall** – for parents

A date to put into your diary:

Every parent is invited to attend an evening curriculum presentation on guided reading, where you will hear more about how we teach reading, how we plan for the daily guided reading sessions and take home the recommended books for your child to read.

At this event you will also hear about our library fundraising project titled “book by book, building our library together”. You too will see the video for our school from a well-known children's author, hear our wonderful new song and learn about some of the amazing experiences and events coming up in this year-long library fundraising project.

Cash/Cheque Payments into School

The system we have been using for the PTA, to have all of their envelopes placed into the white box, has proved very successful and helped us become more efficient. We should therefore like to extend this system to include all letters and payments for school generally, such as clubs, trips and dinner money. Please can you therefore ensure that all payments are placed in a secure envelope, clearly marked on the outside with what it is in regard to, and put in the white box in the school foyer. This box will then be emptied on a regular basis.

IMPORTANT - Parent Volunteers and Child Protection

Thank you to all the parents and relatives who help in school, you are an invaluable asset to us! We are required to ensure that together with having a DBS certificate that everyone who helps in school is familiar with our Child Protection and Safeguarding policies and whistleblowing policy. Please can you take a few moments to read the two policies listed below and when you are next in school sign the record sheet so that we can ensure that we are complying with regulations. Thank you.

- <http://reigate-parish.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Safeguarding-and-Child-Protection-Policy-Oct-2017.pdf>
- <http://reigate-parish.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/whistleblowing-policy-sept-2017-1.pdf>

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.

YEAR 2 NEWS:

Year 2 SATs Evening

Unfortunately the Year 2 SATs evening was cancelled this week. We will get back to you shortly about a new date for this so please look out for this.

PTA NEWS:

PTA Community Partnership Guidelines

The Governors have approved guidelines which set out the principles by which the Parent Teacher Association of the School can work with commercial partners to generate additional funding. The use of funds generated by commercial partnerships will be decided by the Headteacher. This document can be found on the school's website under the PTA tab.

TAILORMADE AFRICA

Tailormade Africa is a specialist tailor-made safari and Africa travel company, and the industry leaders in customer care and bespoke itinerary design.

They have also started offering the expertise of worldwide destinations that include wilderness, wildlife or cultural activities. Tailormade Antarctica, Tailormade Australia, Tailormade Asia and Tailormade South America are the recent additions to the Tailormade brand as well as offering high-quality European family holidays.

As our newest **Community Partner**, if you book a holiday with Tailormade Africa then the company will donate 7% of the booking back to our PTA. If you are thinking about booking a safari, please contact Clyde Beaty on [+44 7809 726266](tel:+447809726266) or clyde@tailormadeluxurytravel.com

MOTHER'S DAY

On **Thursday 8th and Friday 9th March** the PTA will be selling some lovely little Mother's Day gifts in the playground after school. They will cost £3.50 and will include a label so that you can write a personalised message to your mother – or to anyone else whom you feel is deserving of a gift!

We've thought a lot about the gift, and it's something which we'd like, so we are sure it will be well received.

If you would like to buy one please bring in £3.50 next Thursday or Friday and find us in the playground after school. Please note that we will have limited quantities!

UNIFORM SALES

Please remember to have a look at home for any good quality old uniform which you would be able to donate for us to sell the uniform sale after school on **Friday 16th March**. A box is in the office foyer for you to put the items in. Any volunteers to help with the sales would be greatly appreciate

Diary Dates 2017/2018 – new information in red

SPRING TERM 2018	
Monday 5 th March	INSET day – school closed
Tuesday 6 th March	Year 3 French Café and DT Day
Wednesday 7 th March	Year 1 Starsteppers Dance Festival at The Harlequin, Redhill
Thursday 8th and Friday 9th March	PTA selling Mother's Day gifts in the playground after school
Friday 9 th March	3.00 pm Cake Sale – Year 2 PTA Film Night
Monday 12 th March	Years 3 and 4 boys' football tournament, Earlswood School
Friday 16 th March	Second-hand uniform sale after school
Monday 19 th March	Year 2 Indian Dance Workshop
Wednesday 21st March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Book Day re-arranged date: children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character • 7.00 pm evening curriculum presentation on guided reading and launch of library project in junior hall
Thursday 22 nd March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.30 pm Parents' Forum • Year 2 Multi Skills at St Bede's School for selected children
Friday 23 rd March	3.20 pm Cake Sale – Year 3
Monday 26 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 1 Easter Service practice in the afternoon - parent helpers needed • 4.30 pm – 8.00 pm Parents' Evening
Tuesday 27 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00 am Prayer Group in staffroom – all welcome • 2.15 pm End-of-term service at St Mary's Church – parent helpers needed
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 2018:

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

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