

Parish Post

The Weekly Newsletter, Friday 9th March 2018

Parents evening Monday 26th March & Wednesday 28th March

This year you will be able to book your parents evening appointment via the Tucasi online system. If you have already registered and pay your dinner money and/or trips online then you will be able to book your appointment from Monday 12th March after 6pm. If you have not already registered for the online payments system then a letter will be sent home with your child today for you to do so. If you do not have access to a computer to book your appointment then you can do so via the school office from Tuesday 13th March between 8.45 am -10.45 am or 12.45 pm - 3.45pm.

Please follow these instructions to book your appointment online. Thank you.

<http://www.tucasihelp.com/documents/2.4SCOQuickReferenceGuideParentsEveningBookingSystemParent.pdf>

We have set this up in response to parent feedback wanting an easy, quick online method that suits working families and parents at home. We hope it is successful.

Careful Driving

This is another polite reminder that whatever the reason people need to drive slowly into the school car park. There is no excuse for speed. The car park is just for school staff and unless parents have a permit to park in the car park, parents should not use it, even if they are running late.

We had reported this week a very dangerous driving incident where a mother drove into the school car park and narrowly missed hitting a toddler. I know that no one ever wants to cause an accident but I am growing very concerned that a child could really be hurt.

Teacher Clubs – Summer Term

This week you will have received a list of clubs for the summer term. **The teacher-run clubs are in red.** The closing date for applications for teacher clubs is Friday 16th March 2018. We cannot guarantee that any forms received after that date will be allocated a place at your desired club.

The last week of spring term clubs will be the week commencing 19th March 2018.

World Book Day – Rearranged Date

World Book Day – 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.

Year 3 & 4 parents – unpaid school meals

School meals are payable in advance therefore please can you ensure that any outstanding school meal payments are made promptly. Please check your online payment account to ensure that you are up to date with your payments.

Thank you.

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

We have chosen Tuesday 13th March from 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm as our rescheduled SATs information evening. We look forward to seeing you there.

PTA NEWS:

MOTHER'S DAY

The PTA will be selling the remaining gorgeous Mother's Day gifts in the playground after school today. These lovely tokens only cost £3.50 and are sure to be appreciated.

CAKE SALE

Please do bring your 50ps to pick up today as Year 2 is running a cake sale.

UNIFORM SALES

Please continue to bring in any good quality old uniform donations for the box in the school foyer. The uniform sale is next **Friday 16th March** after school.

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

SPRING TERM 2018	
Monday 12 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Years 3 and 4 boys' football tournament, Earlswood School • After 6.00 pm parents able to go on Tucasi to book Parents' Evening slot
Tuesday 13th March	7.00 pm Year 2 SATs evening
Friday 16 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second-hand uniform sale after school • Closing date for applications to teacher clubs for summer term
Monday 19 th March	Year 2 Indian Dance Workshop
Wednesday 21 st 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:

- **Friday 25th May 2018**
- **Friday 29th June 2018**

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