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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Friday 18th October 2019



Dear Parents/Carers

This Week's News ...

Stepping Out Training

Year 3 took part in their stepping out training assessment on Monday 14th October. All children did well. They all received letters with development points on. I hope you had a chance to read these and that you will commit to work on the elements identified with your children.

Plastics Workshop - Peter Pan Theme

On Monday Year 4 had a visit from Eva Cartwright who carried out a Plastic Sculpture Workshop with the children. This worked really well and the sculptures produced will take pride of place on stage at the Peter Pan Production at the Rep. Theatre in January. Well done Year 4.

Bronze Ambassadors Training

On Monday 14th October our 4 Bronze Ambassadors had their training at Oldbury Wells. They are already experienced in organising events for younger children and they have revised this ready for this year.

Cross Country

Key Stage 1 Cross Country went ahead on Tuesday at Oldbury Wells School and we had a team of 19 runners. All of our children performed brilliantly. Next week there will be an event at Idsall. Mr Pay will be going along so if you would like your child to attend please ensure you have filled in the form.

Pioneer Meeting - Wed 16th October

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Year 5 Pioneer Residential Visit Meeting. There was lots of useful information passed over during this meeting. If you were unable to attend, please contact the office and ask for the powerpoints slides. This will ensure your child has not missed out on the preparation for this important visit.

School Council Meeting - Thursday 17th October

On Thursday, Mrs Hampson met with the School Council and a group of Year 6 Pioneers. They have been looking at how to re-organise lunchtimes for Key Stage 2. They have come up with some brilliant ideas which will be trialled next week. In assembly on Friday 18th October the Pioneer group will present to the rest of the school.

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Forthcoming news ...

On Monday 21st October there will be a Key Stage 2 Cross Country Event at Idsall. This will be a catch up event from earlier in the season when two events were postponed due to bad weather. If your child would like to enter, please contact the office.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings will take place on Tuesday 22nd October and Thursday 24th October. If you have not yet made an appointment please contact the office to do so.

Parentview - if you have not already found the link and added your views to Parentview, can I please encourage you to do so. This is an extremely important aspect of Ofsted's opinions about our school. Once again could I urge you to talk to me about any issues you have before they become too big. Please see :

<https://mobile.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

School Vacancy: Administrator

Please see the school website for details of an Administrator Vacancy that has arisen. Closing date for applications is Friday 25th October. <https://www.castlefieldsprimary.co.uk/vacancies>

Year 6 Secondary School Applications

All secondary school applications need to be made by **midnight on 31st October**. Any applications received after this time will be treated as late and only considered after all on-time applications have been processed (at which point the preferred school may be full). There will also be no period of grace for paper applications submitted late. Please remember that the closing date falls in the half-term holiday.

Running Club

Please make sure you have seen the letter about home time arrangements. Key Stage 2 can be picked up outside but Key Stage 1 children need to come in to the hall and get signed out by the leaders.

Walking Bus

Mrs Bev Buckley has offered to start the 'Walking Bus' up again from Wenlock Rise provided we have enough interest. Please see the letter on website about this.

School Dinners - ParentPay

Please can you remember to log on to pay for your child's school dinners. As of today, the school dinner money outstanding is nearly £300. Please ensure that all payments are up to date by the end of term.

Menu Changes :

Tuesday 22nd October - To coincide with Halloween, there will be a special menu of 'Mummy's Beef Bolognese and Spooky Spaghetti, Terrifying Tomato Pasta and Scary Sticker Toffee Crumble with Ice Cream' - please see webpage/noticeboard for full menu.

Thursday 24th October - Thursday's menu next week will be pizza.

Tuesday 5th November - A special 'Bonfire Menu' of Boom Burgers and Sizzling Soya Chilli and Catherine Wheel Cookies - please see webpage/noticeboard for full menu.

PTA news

Hallowe'en Disco - Monday 21st October from 5.30 pm to 7.00 pm for Year 1 to Year 6. Reception children can attend the disco from 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm. Your child will have received a letter about this. Any entries for the pumpkin competition need to be at school on Monday morning. Please join in if you can.

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Dates for the diary - Christmas Fayre - Friday 29th November. Children can bring bottles for the fayre on Tuesday 5th or Wednesday 6th November for house points. They can bring filled jam jars on Friday 22nd November in exchange for own clothes day. Please do not put unwrapped sweets in the jars. Then on Friday 29th November they can bring plants and cakes ready for the Christmas Fayre that evening.

PTA School Lottery

Don't forget to sign up for the school lottery. It is only £1 a ticket and the winnings are averaging about £18 per week. This week's winner was Kirsty King.

School Photographs

On Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd October all children in school and Nursery will have individual and sibling photographs taken.

For children with pre-school siblings, photos will be on the Tuesday or Wednesday morning. Please book an appointment at the office. Photographs will start at 8.30 a.m. Also, Nursery children not in school on Tuesday or Wednesday need to make an appointment if required.

There is no obligation to purchase photographs, but I'm sure you will appreciate the effort Dave Liddle is taking.

Thursday 24th October - own clothes and cakes!

On Thursday 24th October we are going to have an own clothes day and cake sale. The money raised will be used to purchase playground equipment for lunch times. These items tend to get lost over the year and we need to keep replacing so the children have things to play with.

Friday 25th October is a PD day.

Flu Immunisations for Years R - 6 - Monday 4th November

Your child's annual flu immunisation will take place in school on Monday 4th November. If not already done so, please can you complete the Consent Form to indicate if you give permission or do not consent. (Please remember to include your child's NHS Number)

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

