## Autumn 2 2019 - Newsletter 3



Key Dates for Autumn term 2:	
Week beginning: 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying week, theme 'Change starts with us'
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need (Donation £1) Theme: Wear Something Spotty
Week beginning: 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Road Safety week
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent book-look drop-in after school, 3.00-3.30pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception, Years 1 & 2 Nativity <u>dress rehearsal</u> – 9.15am (Parents with Siblings/children welcome). Entrance – ticket only.
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December & Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception, Years 1 & 2 Nativity performance to parents  Both performances at 9.15am. Entrance – ticket only.  (No children/siblings on these two dates – crèche provided but must be booked)
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Key Stage 2 (years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Carol concert, 9.05am, in the school hall. (Further information will follow nearer the time)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	9am: Reception, Years 1 & 2 Good News Assembly with parents 9.30am: Years 3 – 6 Good News Assembly with parents Entrance via the side hall doors.
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> December – Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January (inclusive)

### **Reception, Years 1 and 2 Nativity Performances**

Dates and times as noted above. A letter will follow nearer the time to make ticket and crèche bookings. Please note, because of numbers and space, it is a maximum of 2 tickets per family.

## **Children in Need - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

#### 'Spotty' Non-Uniform Day

This year, in support of Children In Need, we are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. This year we are asking the children to wear something spotty (if possible) and to donate £1 for charity.

# Anti - Bullying Week and Road Safety Week

<u>Anti-Bullying Week - Week beginning:</u> 11<sup>th</sup> November

Road Safety Week - Week beginning: 18<sup>th</sup> November

During these weeks we will be raising the awareness of these important issues with the children through assemblies, class circles (discussions), additional activities and teaching sessions.

#### **OPAL – Outdoor Play and Learning**

With the wetter, muddier weather, the children have been told that they <u>must</u> have a change of shoes, preferably wellies, if they wish to participate in OPAL play activities on the field (some activities are restricted to on the field only). Children are welcome to bring in additional clothing for putting on top of their school clothes for outside play if parents wish.

#### **Class Assemblies**

Class assemblies were well attended last term and have proved a fun yet successful way of sharing some of your children's learning.

#### **Reminder: Autumn 2 Class Assemblies**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y6 Owl

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov – Y4 Starling

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y5 Skylark

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec – Y3 Heron

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Y2 Flamingo

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Y1 Puffin

#### **Uniform Reminder**

Earrings – studs only please and no novelty hairbands (e.g. cat's ears).

Thank you.

#### **Parent Communication Update**

A fantastic 90% of parents attended the recent parents' evenings! A great way to keep informed about your child's progress and to work together.

#### **Curriculum Overview Reminder**

Curriculum overviews (what your child is covering in the Autumn term) can be found on the website. Select 'School Information' tab, 'Curriculum' and then the relevant year group.

#### Parent Book Look Drop-in

This term we have an after-school book-look drop-in session, 3.00-3.30pm, on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November. This is an opportunity for parents to 'drop in' to class after school, to look at your child's books with them. If you have more then one child in school, please visit the youngest child's class first. Please remember you are responsible for your children during this time and it's a lovely way to talk to your child about their learning and progress. We look forward to seeing you.

#### **School Policy and Information Sessions**

Following on from parent feedback from our last Ofsted report in January 19, during parents' evenings, Mrs Anderson (KS2 Assistant Head) ran four separate sessions on restorative practice and the behaviour policy. Thank you to the few parents that attended.

We are keen to ensure you have the information you need about the school and its policies. So please do come and speak to us and let us know if there is something you feel you would like more information on. If there is something that comes up that would be relevant to a larger audience, we will look to offer parent sessions.

## The last day of this term is Friday 20th December