



Newsletter

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the Spring Term 2020. I hope everyone had a good holiday and enjoyed some time with family and friends.



As I write this Newsletter, I note that we have some very tired children (and staff!) as we come to the end of our first week back. I appreciate that everyone is getting back into a routine but please ensure you leave your home in good time to come into school through the playground gates between 8:40-8:55am.



Already we have had a couple of parents trying to manically run down the park path to the gate as they see it closing. Remember, we can not let you in after 8.55am through that way as the staff at the classroom and linkway doors have started to already close doors and go in to start the day. Just leave home a couple of minutes earlier and you will make it – then we won't have a disappointed or cross parent and an upset child!

Class Assemblies

It's years 3, 2, 1, R's turn this term. So please come and join us for 15 minutes as your child shares their class learning with you during an assembly. They are held on a Wednesday morning. We aim for a 9am start and will let you into the hall once all the children are settled in there. They finish by 9.15/9.20am.

All Class Assemblies start at 9.00 a.m.

29/01/2020: Class 3ER	05/02/2020: Class 3CC	12/02/2020: Class 2AP	04/03/2020: Class 1LH
11/03/2020: Class 2LL	18/03/2020: Class 1MB	25/03/2020: Class RKG	01/04/2020: Class RMG

Diary Dates

Here are a few dates for you to note for this half term;

Wed 8 th /Mon 13 th January:	Yr R height and weight checks
Tue 14 th January:	Raising Confident Children course for Parents (1 of 5)
Tue 21 st January:	Raising Confident Children course for Parents (2 of 5)
Fri 24 th January:	Yr 5 visit to Cliffs Pavillion (Billionaire Boy)
Tue 28 th January:	Raising Confident Children course for Parents (3 of 5)
Wed 29 th January (pm)	Yr 2/1 team to Hornchurch Athletics
Tue 4 th February:	9-9.30am School Nurse Drop In
Tue 4 th February:	Raising Confident Children course for Parents (4 of 5)
Thu 6 th February:	Yr 5/6 The Riot Act (Road Safety) Theatre Show
w/c Mon 10 th February:	Activity Week – How do we Stay Healthy?
Tue 11 th February:	Raising Confident Children course for Parents (5 of 5)
Tue 11 th February:	Parents Evening 3:30 – 7pm
Wed 12 th February:	Parents Evening 3:30 – 5pm
Wed 12 th February:	Yr 3/4 Level 1 Cycle Confident Training
Thu 13 th February:	Yr 3/4 Level 1 Cycle Confident Training
Fri 14 th February:	INSET Day
Mon 17 th – Fri 21 st February:	HALF TERM



Staffing

We've welcomed Mrs Ayimadu back on her phased return. Class RMG will see her on site conducting admin tasks and planning this week. She will then be in class part time over the next few weeks, hoping to be back full time in February.

Congratulations to Miss Groom on the birth of her son this week!

Weather

Please ensure your child wears their coat to school. We do try to go outside at break and lunch times so the children can get some fresh air and have a run about. Please ensure it has your child's name written inside on the label.



Chicken Pox

Please note that we have some cases of Chicken Pox (as do other schools in the area). So over the next week or so there are likely to be more cases. Any pregnant women need to let their GP/midwife know. Chicken Pox is infectious from 1 to 2 days before the rash starts, until all the blisters have crusted over (usually 5 to 6 days after the start of the rash). Children can return to school at this time.

Community Recipe Competition

Over the past year we have been working with catering and health to support improving health and diet. A recent bid to Government to introduce a pre prepared meal box of ingredients was recently unsuccessful, but Public Health would like to continue to work with us and so we have a competition to launch with you!



We would love to hear about your family recipes.

What is the family favourite that provides a wholesome meal for the family?

We want to try to produce a cookbook of easy, affordable and nutritious family meals that are perfect for cooking on a school night.

The School Council will take the lead on this. They will share the information with classes and send home a flyer with details.

Please look out for it and have fun cooking and sharing those recipes!

Themed Lunch

There will be a 'January Feast' special menu on Thursday 16th January, with fish fingers or pizza on offer for lunch! Ensure sQuid is topped up for KS2 pupils.

Thank you.

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Headteacher

