



Irthlingborough Nursery and Infant School

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Welcome back after the half term break!

Charity, Mufti, Dress up and special days this term

Over the year we organise a number of special days, some for charity and some for learning topics in school.

30th October- Reception- medieval dress up day! Knights, Kings, Queens, Dragons and Princesses, welcome!

6th November- Year Two star gazing evening 4pm-5pm

16th November – spots and stripes mufti for Children in Need

23rd November- maths day

3rd December- Whole School Pantomime in School

6th December -PTA disco

13th December- Rock Steady show for parents of children attending music lessons.

14th December- Christmas jumper day (Save the Children)

14th December- Christmas lunch day – please make sure you book this as soon as possible with Kingswood.

20th December – Party clothes (bring a tin or packet for the food bank

Sponsored Reading Challenge

Children still have time to do their sponsored reading challenge. We are keen to promote reading for different purposes and the enjoyment of sharing books.

Parent workshop- Come along and find out more!

1st November 6pm Reception parents evening workshop. This is a repeat of the phonics, reading and writing workshop for those parents unable to attend during the day. This session will also have a section on maths. This workshop is suitable for parents and carers only and not for children.

Please phone the school office or send back the slip, sent out last term so we know how many parents to cater for.

9th November 9am Year One maths workshop and lesson demonstration.

23rd November 9am Year Two maths workshop and lesson demonstration.

Please come and join us and find out more about how your child learns in school.

Attendance

Please ensure that you ring the main school office if your child is ill. Please ring before 9.30am. There is a dedicated extension to leave a message if it is before school opens. We need to ensure all children are accounted for even if they are ill.

Pupil Premium- Is your child eligible?

Please remember you can check if you are in receipt of specific benefits even for a day. **Please ring Mrs Tobin if you think you may be eligible.**

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Universal Credit

Or if they have been:

- looked after by the local authority for at least one day
- have been adopted from care
- have left care through special guardianship; and subject to a child arrangement order setting out with whom the child is to live (formerly known as residence orders)

Parents are offered a £100 voucher to use on school uniform, school photos, clubs, trips or book bags. Your child can also have specific support if needed in school, which is offered discreetly. All records for Pupil Premium are confidential and children or other parents are not aware in school.

How to register

It can be confusing as it is still called a **Free School Meal Application** but your child will receive the other benefits too, if you are eligible. You can apply on line by following this link www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

Prospective Parents visits - We have

some dates below for parents who are selecting a school for their child starting

Reception September 2019. Please

email or telephone Mrs Tobin or Mrs Welch on 01933 654900

(Sally.Tobin@iflt.org.uk) to book a visit with Mrs Marshall (Head teacher)

Monday 19th November at 10am

Tuesday 27th November at 5pm

Friday 7th December at 2pm

Apply online for your child's school place at the Infant and Junior School

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions

by **January 15th 2019 before 5pm.**

School Council and Digital Leaders

Our school council and digital leaders have been chosen and are beginning to work on specific projects. The school council will be particularly concentrating on our school values and helping Mrs Mason firm these up and think of ways to promote our school values. Mr O'Brien will be working with our digital leaders to develop concepts regarding online safety across the site. We hope that they will work with the Junior School digital leaders on joint projects too.