

Recreation Road Infant School

Newsletter One

September 2014



Welcome

A great big welcome to everyone. It has been lovely to chat with you all in the mornings and to see so many smiling faces as the children arrived back.

Our PTA have done a splendid job in providing a warm (and biscuit filled) welcome to all of our new families as the children start their inductions sessions. Many thanks to you all.



Hot Meals –Update

We have had several successful lunchtimes operating our new systems to accommodate the Universal Meal Offer. Our Midday Supervisors have responded really well to all the changes and also the children have been great. We have had approximately 85% take up of the hot meal so far.

All the children, whether they have a packed lunch or a meal, now eat in the hall and the timings are as follows:

Year R- 11:45, Year 1 -12:15, Year 2- 12:40

The children can mix within their year group and so can socialise with their old and new friends equally.

Over the next few weeks we will be looking at how we can minimise waste.



Outdoor Learning:

Over the Summer we have started the re-design of the EYFS Outdoor Learning area. It now contains wonderful textured and winding pathways, a mud kitchen, a water channel and some new willow planting. This re-development will continue with phase 2 including some new planting areas to create small world play areas. We planning a community planting event in December so watch this space. We achieved great success in Norwich in Bloom last term and the Lord Mayor of Norwich will be here later this month to present the trophy to us. Congratulations to Gardening Club.

Staff Development:

During our 2 training days last week our Year 2 staff attended a maths conference along with Year 3 staff from Avenue Junior, our Reception staff worked with Early Years Consultant to look at their provision and Year One staff worked together on the new curriculum. We all had updates regarding the change in legislation for children with Special Educational Needs and also had safeguarding and Health and Safety updates.

Some Important Reminders:

PARKING- this is still causing problems especially where people are parking on yellow lines/road junctions and also in front of our double yellow gates!

**It is YOUR CHILDREN who are at risk-so please park
in a responsible and thoughtful way.**



LOST PROPERTY- last term we were left with a mountain of unnamed and unclaimed clothes and equipment. Please label items and check lost property regularly so that things can be reunited with their owners. Scooters and bikes **SHOULD NOT** be left on site overnight, over the weekend or over holiday periods.

Dates for Your Diary:



Friday 26th September- Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Hall from 9:00-10:00. All donations of cake/biscuits will be gratefully received. Please bring items on Thursday 25th September to the small kitchen.

Wednesday 1st October- Individual School Photos will be taken of the children

Week beg. Monday 29th September- Parent Teacher Interviews for Years 1 and 2-please sign up for a slot to meet staff to discuss how your child has settled into their new class.

Week beg. Monday 13th October-Parent Teacher Interviews for Year R.

Week beginning 13th Oct- PGCE Students from UEA will be working with us

