

Recreation Road Infant School

Newsletter 4

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Hello

Where has the time gone? It is lovely to see everyone back again after the holiday and bad weather. We have had great news about our successful bid from Awards for All, enjoyed the Panto and finally have moved back into the main entrance again.

Work on this will be completed shortly. The exterior cladding will be put on and then the area outside can be made good and a new tree reinstated. The planting will then be designed and planted by our Gardening Club and Chaffinch Class.

PTA

Thanks for organising and running a very successful quiz night last Friday. Our staff team remained consistent in their ability to come last!...Still the Smarties were tasty! More Lego has been ordered following requests from the children on the different pieces they would like and the family workshop proved great fun. Thanks for all your hard work!

Safeguarding

We have updated our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy which is available on our website or from the office if you would like a hard copy.

All volunteers are asked to read the Safeguarding notes as they sign in and also have this information on the reverse of their volunteer badges.

Please always sign in and collect a badge if you are helping in class.

Punctuality

We have noticed that there are several families who are finding it difficult to get to school punctually for a 9:00 start. The start of the morning is important as a lot of instruction and opportunities for children to be settled and involved happens at the start of the day. Obviously we are aware that there will be the odd time when things get difficult in the mornings but what we are not pleased with is when lateness becomes a habit. This is not helpful to your child or is not sending a good message to your child about time-keeping, good manners and responsibility.

Come and Join us for an Open Assembly:

Following the success of our Open Assemblies last term we will be holding them again on Friday 12th February.

Years 1 and 2 invite you to join them at 10:20 and Year R invites you to join them at 10: 40.

We hope to see you there.

Awards For All – Community Gardening Project

Many of you would have read about our successful bid for funding to enable this project to go ahead. We were fortunate to receive nearly £7000 to enable us to create a sensory garden area and raised beds for families to use to grow vegetables and fruit.

We would like to involve as many people as possible in this project but need to start with a small group who can meet at least monthly and be involved in the development of this work.

If you are interested and would like to be involved we will be having a meeting on Monday 22nd March at 3:00.

All welcome

Clubs

Film Club will start tonight...look out for the posters around school stating which films we'll be watching.

Country Dancing will now just be Thursday mornings but please note there will be **no club on Thursday 11th Feb** due to a London conference.

We're looking forward to starting Philosophy Club soon for Year 2 pupils.

Learner Values

This term through our assemblies we are focussing on:

Creativity- how can we be creative? Can you find creative solutions to problems? Have you been creative today?

Compassion- what does this mean for us? How does this help us to learn?

Enquiry- can we ask good questions? Can we build up knowledge through asking the right questions? How do we socially construct knowledge?