

Recreation Road Infant School

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Can't quite believe that we are already at half term...not looking forward to the darker evenings and colder weather!

Please remember to put your child's name in their outdoor clothes for when they return in November. Our lost property pile is growing....If you do have any clothes that your child has outgrown, especially trousers/track bottoms, please donate them to our spare clothes . Leave any donations in the office. Thanks

New Pupils For Reception September 2014

We are holding a meeting on Thursday 14th November starting at 6:45 until 7:45 for you to come and meet staff and see our school. If you would like to visit during the day please contact our school office (457120) to book a place on one of the slots arranged.

Continuing Professional Development

This term we have focussed on the development of PE. Staff are working with year group colleagues and Sarah Manning to plan, deliver and evaluate PE.

Our Leadership Team have also been observing lessons and feeding back to staff.

Our children have really taken the challenge and through this term's block of Multi-Skills are developing and refining many skills and positive attributes to help them improve further. Year 2 children have made great progress with their swimming and we will continue to monitor this throughout the year. After half term we have a Karate Taster day for Year One, Karate as part of Year Two curriculum provision and a Karate Year 1 Family Event. A Football in the Community coach will also be working with some Year 2 children.

Well Done to our **Gardeners**, Year Two children, parents and Jenny Martin attended the Norwich in Bloom Presentation to collect trophies and prizes for the Summer Term Competition.

Louise Stone has been receiving applications, interviewing for and selecting **Year Two Digital Leaders**. Congratulations to those who were successful and we're all looking forward to reading your blogs, learning new skills from you and seeing how you take to your new roles.



Reading For Pleasure

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Welcome, we aim to produce a Reading For Pleasure Newsletter each term to share with you some great reading resources, events and ideas.

We held a very well attended meeting with Year R parents on October 11th where we shared the reasons why reading for pleasure is so important.

The main points were:

- ✓ Parents and children sharing books and storytelling together should be a relaxed and nurturing part of family life- have fun with books and leave the teaching of reading to school staff.
- ✓ Introduce your child to a wide selection of material: poetry, picture books, books without text, traditional stories, nursery rhymes, comics, non-fiction anything and everything
- ✓ Use the library service....you can select as many as 10 books at a time to share! Free of charge!
- ✓ Share, swap, lend and borrow from others...including school!
- ✓ Make use of the great resources on the Booktrust website or booktime.org.uk and see our Reading Champions Noticeboard outside Chaffinch Class.

Some great books to get you started:

Naughty Bus- Jan and Jerry Oke

The Princess Knight- Cordelia Funke

Dotty Inventions- Roger McGough

A Necklace of Raindrops- Joan Aiken

Remember an engaged reader:

Wants to read, makes time to read, reads widely, reads with purpose, thought and enjoyment.

If you can spare an hour or more each week you could be part of our BOOK BINDING GROUP who read and share books with children. Please email Serena for details if you are interested: head@recreationroad.norfolk.sch.uk

