



FRIDAY 12TH JANUARY 2024

School Newsletter

2024

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Dear Parents,

2024 is in full swing and we are looking forward to working with the children throughout the Spring term on the various exciting topics as detailed within the curriculum letters that were sent out via Parentmail on Tuesday.

Have a lovely weekend, stay warm!

Kind regards,

Sarah Vass, Headteacher

Week starting Monday 15th January :

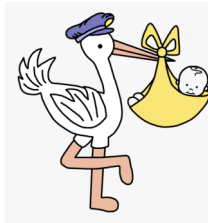
Spring Menu Week 1



More Baby News!

We are very pleased to be able to share with you that Mrs Charnock is expecting a baby, due in July.

We are all looking forward to meeting the new addition to the Charnock family.



As previously announced, Mrs Browne will be commencing maternity leave after the Easter break and we are pleased to confirm we have appointed a new teacher for 2B who will be joining us mid-March. Further details to follow.

Kingswood Residential - Y6 September 2024

A reminder, that all deposits for the Kingswood trip for the current Y5 children should be made via Parentmail app by Monday 22nd January.

If you haven't received a letter, or require any further information, please contact the school office.

Spring Term Clubs

Club spaces have now been confirmed by Parentmail message and for those clubs where a payment is due, this must be paid (via Parentmail app) **by no later than 19th January**—club places will be withdrawn if payment is not made by this time.

Signing up to a club is a commitment for the whole duration of the club. Unless your child is absent from school, attendance is expected.

All clubs commence W/c 22nd January with the exception of Rugby which is starting next week.

PTFA Drop in sessions

Please come and meet the friendly PTFA informally at one of the following events, you never know it could be fun...

Drop in Coffee Mornings at school in the KS2 library:

- Tuesday 16th January anytime between 8:45 and 10:30am

Evening drop in at The Prince of Wales pub Great Totham

- Thursday 1st February from 7pm (the end of dry January!)

Diary Dates:

15th January - Deadline for September 2024 New Intake applications

17th January - YR - NCMP Height/Weight Measurements and Eye Tests

13th February - Y6 - NCMP Height/Weight Measurements

14th February - Parents Evening (4.30-7.30pm)

15th February - Parents Evening (3.30-6.30pm)

19th to 23rd February - Half Term

26th February - INSET day

27th February - INSET day

5th March - Y5 Mayan Day

6th March - Y6 Outdoor Learning

7th March - World Book Day (Info to follow)

13th March - Y3 Outdoor Learning

14th March - YR Outdoor Learning

26th March - Y4 Production (to the rest of the school AM, then evening to Parents @ 6pm)

27th March - Y3 Showcase to Parents (PM, time TBC)

28th March - Last day of the Spring term

29th March to 12th April - Easter Holidays

15th April - Start of the Spring term

15th & 25th April - YR & Y5 Road Safety

26th April - Y1 Trip to Hyde Hall

27th April - PTFA Sponsored Walk

(Please check the Newsletter each week for diary updates)

Weekly E-Safety Resources:

SENDIT 12+

Please read the attached guidance for parents and carers.



Information about risk and reward of apps, games and other technological features are readily found on the internet via sources such as Childnet (www.childnet.com), Common Sense Media (www.common Sense Media.org) and EST Training ('The 2 Johns': www.esafetytraining.org).

If you are concerned about an aspect of your child's online safety, and would like advice, please contact their class teacher in the first instance.