



Newsletter 7

Autumn 2017

Thank you to everyone whom came along to the Parent and Carer Consultation Evening. It was good to see you all. Thank you also for the positive feedback on the Paralympic Sports mornings. I am glad that our focus on equality and diversity this term is engaging the children so well!
Have a great half term holiday and we will see you all back at school on Monday 30th October.

Nikki Brown

IMPORTANT...Changes to pick up and drop off after half term.

Work on the new classrooms will begin after half term so there will be **no access to the rear playground for parents or pupils**. This means we need to make changes to pick up and drop off.

- Y6 Lilac, Y5 Amethyst, Y5 Indigo, Y4Jade and Y4 Sapphire will enter and exit as usual by the KS2 side door.
- Y3 Topaz and Turquoise will enter their classrooms directly via the front playground
- Y1 Crimson, Y1 Scarlet, Y2 Burgundy and Y2 Ruby can enter the front playground from 8.40 and wait to be collected by their teacher at 8.50. There will be a teacher 'on duty' but this area is likely to be busy and ideally we don't want children to be standing around too long.. *It would be really helpful if Y1 and Y2 pupils do not arrive too early*. They will be taken to class at 8.55 via the After School Club.
- Y6 Violet will enter their class via the community room doors. All traffic movement in the staff car park will be stopped during drop off and pick up times but please avoid waiting in areas which may block the safe pathways we will be asking children to use.

For pick up it will be the same in reverse.

We know that it may present some challenges for us all but I am sure with thought and consideration for others we can make it run smoothly. Please be aware that waiting areas may be more crowded than usual so we advise adults park bikes before coming to collect their children.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Class of the Week

Jade

They have been mastering subtraction and continuing to work on their addition. They have been working in English on new grammatical terms. They have worked incredibly hard and their teacher has been telling their parents lots of good news. They have been learning about stories and how tales are passed down by word of mouth. They have been showing off their incredible long term homework about animals and their habitat. The class of the week this week, is Jade class!



Introducing our new Family Worker

Hannah Currington is our new Early Intervention Family Worker. She will be in school (on the gates) every other Tuesday from 8.30am beginning 31st October and would love to meet as many parents as possible.

Feel free to contact Hannah directly on
01223 699328
07795 284118
hannah.currington@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Please see attached poster for more details of the support that she can provide.



Headlice

Head lice are a common problem, particularly in school children aged 4-11. They're largely harmless, but can live in the hair for a long time if not treated and can be irritating and frustrating to deal with. We encourage all parents and carers to regularly check their child's hair. They can be difficult to spot but regular detection combing and early treatment is helpful.

Year Two brought their Fire of London topic to a close on Tuesday with a creative morning making model fire engines. Children had to make drawings of vehicles to identify the key features, plan their model thinking of what makes a fire engine special, make mock-up axles and wheels then make a model fire engine with working wheels: we now know the difference between fixed and free wheels and axles! Children relished the opportunity to develop skills of measuring, cutting (with saws) and assembling materials in a meaningful and creative project. Thank you everyone for sending in boxes and resources for children to use, and a particular thank you to those parents who were able to come in and help on the day.



Online Safety

Children under the age of 9 enjoy a variety of online activities, including watching videos, playing games, searching for information, doing their homework and socialising within children's virtual worlds (EU Kids Online – 2013).

In addition, children are increasingly making use of more recent apps such as Musical.ly, Roblox and Snapchat to interact with one another. Therefore, it is important that parents are aware of any potential risks of such sites as well as the benefits to children so that we can support them in the choices that they make.

More information about keeping children safe online can be found on the Schools website. More specifically, guidance for the specific sites previously mentioned can be found here:

Roblox <https://en.help.roblox.com/hc/en-us/articles/203313120-Safety-Features-Chat-Privacy-Filtering>

Musical.ly <http://www.childnet.com/blog/what-is-musically>

Snapchat <http://www.childnet.com/blog/reporting-within-snapchat-stories>

Well done to the following children who have impressed their teachers this week:

Crimson: Ale Katie

Scarlet: Amber, Faith, Ishaq

Burgundy: Edie Theo Charlotte

Ruby: Helena

Topaz: Felix and Sylvie

Turquoise: Amy and Anirudh

Jade: Emilia

Sapphire: Barney

Indigo: Amalija

Amethyst: Ingrid

Violet: Angela

Lilac: Izzy J

Dates for
the Diary:

23rd Oct: HALF TERM

1st November Early Years open evening for Reception 2018

6th –9th Nov: Y6 Bikeability

7th Nov: FOM Bags to School

15th Nov: Y5 Shakespeare at Mumford Theatre

2nd Dec: FOM Christmas Bazaar

7th Dec: Flu Vaccinations R-Y4

11th-14th Dec: EY/KS1 performance

19th Dec: last day of Term

3rd Jan: INSET DAY

4th Jan: Children start back at school

School Redevelopment News

Morgan Sindell will be sending out regular newsletters to keep you updated with how the school redevelopment is progressing and what will be happening in the coming weeks. You should have received issue 1 today