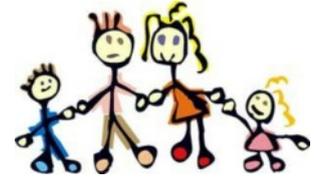




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# Outwoods Primary School Newsletter

1<sup>st</sup> February 2019



Dear Parents/Carers

It's hard to believe we are already in February and heading rapidly towards the end of half term. It has been a cold and frosty week, but the children have still been able to get outside and many of them have enjoyed playing with the new toys and games we have purchased for lunchtimes. The children have asked for more equipment, so we have decided to have a 'non-uniform' day on the last day of the half term (February 15<sup>th</sup>) and are asking for a £1 donation, so the children can buy some outdoor equipment for playtimes.

I am pleased to say that the new 'drop off' system in the mornings is proving to be successful and feedback from parents has been positive. Can I just remind parents/carers that children should not be in school until **8:30am** at the earliest, as teachers may not be ready in class until then? Please do not take your children into class until staff are present. We expect all children to have arrived by 8:50am. Thank you.

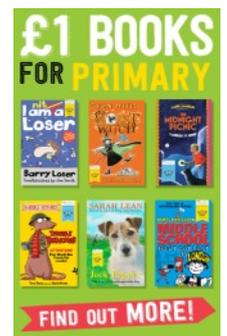
Mrs. Dandy

## World Book Day- Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup>

In the week beginning March 4<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating 'Book Week' and the children will all have the opportunity to share their favourite books and stories with each other. There will be a range of activities for the children to enjoy and there will be a celebration on



Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup> - World Book Day. To mark this special occasion we are asking all of the children to come to school dressed for the theme "Bedtime Stories" - this could be in cosy PJ's or a onesie, or dressed as a character from their favourite bedtime story. We will be taking lots of photographs to display and the children will all meet together in assembly to show off their costumes. Hopefully most of the adults will be in costume too! During Book Week the children will have the chance to win books and book tokens through special competitions. Look out for a special family competition all about books and book characters during Book Week. Children will also be given their World Book Day tokens which they can use towards the price of a new book. Please note the Book Tokens must be used before the end of March.



## Winter Weather

If the school has to close due to bad weather, or other unforeseen circumstances we will contact you by text message and post 'SCHOOL CLOSED' signs on all of the school gates.



We will also post information on the Warwickshire website at:- [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures) There is also a live Twitter feed at [www.twitter.com/wccschoolclosed](http://www.twitter.com/wccschoolclosed) Information will also be posted on the school website and Facebook page. Local radio stations will also broadcast information about school closures. In the event of an early closure during the school day, no child will be allowed to leave the school until their parent or another responsible adult collects them.

### A Message from the school nursing team:-

According to Public Health England almost a quarter of 5 year olds have tooth decay with an average 3 or 4 teeth being affected. Prevention is always better than cure, therefore please encourage and supervise your children to clean their teeth twice a day and ensure they visit the dentist for a check-up every 6 months even if there are no problems with their teeth. NHS dental care for children under 18 is free. Children should also limit sugary food intake as we know that sugar harms teeth. You can speak to your Dentist if you have any concerns about your child's oral health. The opportunity to discuss any health issues relating to your child is always available and The School Health and Wellbeing Service can be contacted on 03300 245 204 Option 3.



### Valentine's Disco

Wednesday 13th February



Infants 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.



Juniors 6.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.



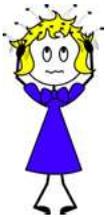
£2.50 on the door (to include tuck)

*Children can bring more money if they want to spend in the tuck shop.*

All children must be collected promptly by a responsible adult.



### Head Lice



Some parents have reported to us that head lice have been found in their child's hair. This is a perpetual problem and extremely hard to eradicate, but if we all take extra care we can all work together to get rid of the pests. The school is no longer able to check for head lice. As such, we urge parents to check their children regularly at least once a week. Remember, **ONCE A WEEK, TAKE A PEEK.** If you find live head lice on your children,



they will need to be treated; your pharmacist can give you advice about the best treatments. Even after treatment, it is important to keep repeating the checking process every few days to make sure they have gone. For more help and advice you can visit [www.onceaweektakeapeek.com](http://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com) or ask at the school office for a leaflet.

If you are struggling with your child's head lice, or any other health problem, we can contact the school health team on your behalf. Please ask at the office for more details.

### Comic Relief

This year we will be joining in with the fund raising for Comic Relief on Friday March 15<sup>th</sup>. After half term 'red noses' will be on sale from the school offices.

In order to raise funds for this valuable cause, we will also be having an after school sale of books, toys, stationery and other small 'pocket money' items in the upper school hall. There will also be a selection of new and nearly new children's clothes, including school uniform. Further details will follow nearer the date.

### **FUNDRAISING**



### Important Dates

Please remember that school closes on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February for half term and re-opens on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

School will be closing early (1:15pm) on Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup> for the Atherstone Ball Game.

