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Outwoods Primary School Newsletter



15th January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers, Happy New Year!

It is lovely to be back at school again with all of the children, the topic launches have been brilliant this term- please ask your children about the things they have made in school since the term began - there have been thatched cottages, African huts, spring rolls and even a visit from a space ship!



This is a very busy term where lots of learning takes place. In assemblies we are looking at different character strengths and have started with 'enthusiasm'- encourage your child to share things they are enthusiastic about- it is great to see them motivated and engaged!

Thank you for your continued support- if you have anything you would like to talk to me about just pop in or make an appointment to see me.

Mrs Taylor

Parking

Thank you!

To everyone who has supported us by parking away from school in the mornings and afternoons. The majority of responses from people have been very positive and I know from many conversations that you are as worried about the safety of children walking to school as we are. If you have any further thoughts or ideas please share them with me and we will work together to keep everyone safe.



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Attendance

Having got through the nasty bugs in December it is great to see so many children (and staff!) back and healthy in January. If you are worried about whether to bring your child to school please speak to Mrs Tweed in the upper school office. There is lots of information about attendance on the website - if you want to talk about your child's attendance please pop in to see me.



LAUNCH INTO LUNCH

Thursday 16th January
Special 'SPACE' themed Menu

Shooting Stars shaped Fish in Breadcrumbs
or

Nebula Noodles with Veggie Bolognese
Sauce. Moonwalk Wedges, Cosmic Corn, Solar
Salad and Blast-off
Beans.



(V) Black Hole Chocolate
Brownie or
(V) Meteor Storm Swirl
Mousse

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Celebration assembly takes place every Friday morning at 9:10. We give gold ribbons to children as special awards for their achievements each week and celebrate birthdays. You are very welcome to join us. Each month there will be a special 'Show and Tell' Assembly where children can share awards they have achieved out of school or share activities they have taken part in. Lego models are also popular! This term's 'Show and Tell' assemblies are on January 31st, March 27th and May 15th.



Dates For Your Diary

- Thursday 16th January 3pm - Year 6 Class Share
- Tuesday 21st January - Young Voices
- Thursday 23rd January 3pm - Year 5 Class Share
- Wednesday 29th January 3pm - Year 4 Class Share
- Thursday 30th January 2.30pm - Pork Pie Class Assembly
- Friday 31st January 9.10am - Show & Tell Assembly
- Wednesday 5th February 3pm - Year 3 Class Share
- Thursday 6th February 2.30pm - Baseball Class Assembly
- Wednesday 12th February 3pm - Year 2 Class Share
- Thursday 13th February 2.30pm - Boater Class Assembly
- Thursday 13th February 3pm - Year 1 Class Share
- Friday 14th February - School closes for Half Term
- Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th February - Teacher Training Days
- Wednesday 26th February - Children return to School
- Wednesday 4th March 3pm - Reception Class Share
- Thursday 5th March 2.30pm - Bowler Class Assembly
- Thursday 5th March 3pm - Year 6 Class Share
- Wednesday 11th March 3pm - Year 4 Class Share
- Thursday 12th March 2.30pm - Sun Hats Class Assembly
- Thursday 12th March 3pm - Year 5 Class Share
- Wednesday 18th March 3pm - Year 3 Class Share
- Wednesday 18th March 3pm - Year 2 Class Share
- Thursday 19th March 2.30pm - Panama Class Assembly
- Thursday 19th March 3pm - Year 1 Class Share
- Wednesday 25th March 6pm - Easter BINGO
- Thursday 26th March 3pm - Reception Class Share
- Friday 27th March - Show & Tell Assembly
- Thursday 2nd April 2.30pm - Flat Cap Class Assembly
- Friday 3rd April - School closes for Easter
- Monday 20th April - Children return to School
- Thursday 23rd April 2.30pm - Top Hat Class Assembly
- Thursday 30th April 2.30pm - Fedora Class Assembly
- Thursday 7th May - VE Day Party
- Friday 8th May - VE Day BANK HOLIDAY
- Thursday 14th May 2.30pm - Beanie Class Assembly
- Friday 15th May 9.10am - Show & Tell Assembly
- Wednesday 20th May - May Disco 4.30pm/KS1 & 6pm/KS2 (Upper Hall)
- Friday 22nd May - School closes for Spring Half Term
- Monday 1st June - Children return to School
- Thursday 4th June 2.30pm - Sombrero Class Assembly
- Thursday 11th June 2.30pm - Trilby Class Assembly
- Thursday 18th June 1pm - Carnival at Atherstone Market Square
- Thursday 25th June 2.30pm - Cowboy Class Assembly
- Thursday 2nd July 2.30pm - Beret Class Assembly
- Friday 3rd July - Show & Tell Assembly
- Tuesday 14th July - Disco 4.30pm/KS1 & 6pm/KS2 (Upper Hall) NOT Y6

Please Note - dates are often added to these lists so please look out for updates

NEXT TERM

Y6 SATS week and Y4 Sherwood Forest residential both begin on May 11th.

Health and Safety Reminder..

Our school grounds are 'Smoke Free' zones. This means that SMOKING, including 'vaping' and 'e-cigarettes' are NOT ALLOWED ANYWHERE ON SCHOOL PREMISES BY LAW. If you do smoke or 'vape' could you please not do so on school grounds. Also -please be considerate not to smoke right outside the gates. It is not healthy for children to walk through plumes of smoke to get into school.

Offensive Language

Most parents try hard to protect their children from hearing swear words - please make sure that you respect this and do not swear on the school grounds. Thank you.

Dogs

Please do not bring dogs onto the school site- we have had many issues with dog mess on the path and playgrounds. This is a safety concern for children and a very unpleasant experience for all!



Outwoods Honesty Shop

After the success of our last one, next Wednesday 22nd



January we are holding an Honesty Shop at 2.45pm in the upper school hall. We have lots of different food and hygiene items available. All we ask is that you pay a donation that you can afford, for the items you take.

Girlguiding Atherstone District

Rainbows are the youngest members of Girlguiding and girls aged between five and seven can join. With effect from 13th January 2020 Rainbows will meet on **Monday from 4.45pm to 5.45pm at Mancetter Memorial Hall, Old Farm Road, Mancetter.** If you would like your daughter to join us for fun, games and adventures then register your interest at www.girlguiding.co.uk. Once you have registered a local volunteer will contact you with further details and arrange for you to visit. All volunteers are DBS checked, have undertaken Girlguiding training including Safeguarding and at least one volunteer from each unit is First Aid trained. We also have Brownies (age 7-10) in Mancetter, Baddesley and Warton and Guides (age 10-14) in Mancetter.



A Message from the School Nursing Team

In line with government guidelines, all children in reception and year 6 in Warwickshire are offered a height and weight measurement (National Child Measurement Programme). The School health and Wellbeing Service will be coming into school on 3rd February to complete these programmes with your child and you may be contacted about the results. It is recommended that the outcome of your child's weight is not shared with your child as it is for parents information only. If you have any concerns about your child's health or you would like to opt your child out of the height and weight measurements you can contact The School Health and Wellbeing Service on 03300 245 204. Good health is linked to educational attainment, therefore the healthier children are, the more likely they are to attend school regularly, focus and participate in lessons, and achieve their potential.

Chat Health Text number:- 07520 619376

Parents/carers can now text a school nurse from their mobile phone.

ChatHealth, the school nurse messaging service, is confidential and available Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm. You can message for advice about general health, child development, behaviour, toileting and emotional health and well-being.

