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We are a global community, learning and growing together.

Monday, 08 October 2018

PTA

We have some Run Jericho T Shirts if you need them for PE. We also have some jogging bottoms and hoodies that would be ideal for PE outside. We have lots in age 5 – 6 years. Please ask at the office.

Prices T Shirt - £5.00
Jogging bottoms- £8.00
Hoodies - £10.00

Dear Families,

This week is very exciting, as we will be celebrating **International Evening** together on Tuesday. This event involves all the children in the school and is a time when we celebrate our cultural diversity.

Children need to be at school by 5.50pm and they need to go to their classroom. Children will join us in the hall where they will greet us, sing songs and dance. Afterwards hopefully lots of you will have sent in food that can be shared in the classrooms. If you can put the **food** in the classroom before the concert, the staff can set it out. We ask that, as we are a nut and seed free school, that the food does not contain these. I hope we will see lots of you in the evening. You will get to know the families in the school and meet your class **reps**.

The Choir will also be performing. The evening will finish at 7.30pm promptly!

Donating to school: If you would like to help, we are currently trying to buy class sets of novels, each class in KS2 will read at least 4 novels together during the year. A set of books cost approximately £192.00. Ideally, we want the same version of the novel so we have added a donation box to ParentMail +Pay for books. It is a voluntary contribution, I will let you know about the books we purchase with the money raised. The focus area will be KS2, but all children will experience the books by the time they have left the school.

If this works well we will either continue it for books or change the focus each term. Please remember this is voluntary.

Start and end of the school day: Thank you everyone for arriving and picking up promptly.

**Our value is Respect
We show respect for our
friends by being:
kind, thoughtful,
understanding, trustworthy,
reliable.....**

Trips: Year 6 had a fabulous trip on Monday 1st October and went to Steam in Reading to experience different aspects of World War 2. The staff were very impressed with the opportunities provided on the visit and how it enhanced the work they are doing in school. On Monday 24th September Mr Cameron took Year 4 to Neasden Temple to see the Hindu Gods and Goddesses and to find out more about being a Hindu. The children loved the trip and really appreciated the opportunity of visiting a temple.

Trips are not cheap and I know when you have more than one child in the school they can be very costly. We try to balance out the costs throughout the year. In the letters we do put it is a voluntary contribution and we will always support families however the school cannot take on the whole cost, we do need families to pay otherwise we will not be able to run the trips. If finances are an issue please speak to the class teacher or myself.

Please can I remind everyone we are a **nut and seed free school**. Please respect this for all events – cake sales, International Evening, Fete, birthday treats etc. Thank you. We have successfully managed this for 3 years as we have all worked together and I know we will continue to do so.

Family Collective Worship

On Wednesday, you are welcome to join us in the hall for Collective Worship. Children share work and we celebrate achievements in work in the Silver Book for and for kind acts to the school community the children are in the Gold Book. When it is your child's birthday, they come out to the front and we sing Happy Birthday.

Wednesday 3rd October Philosophy for Children Thank you Miss Manley for leading this.

Wednesday 10th October International Theme
Tuesday 16th October Music concert for at 9.15am for FSU Year 1, Year 3, Year 5.

Wednesday 17th October Meet the School Council and our Eco teams

Wednesday 31st October Maths

Wednesday 7th November Year 5

Wednesday 14th November Charity- Children in Need

Wednesday 21st November Philosophy for Children P4C

Wednesday 28th November Year 4

Wednesday 5th December Year 3

Wednesday 12th December Yenworthy Year 6

Tuesday 18th December Music Concert 9.15am for Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6

Wednesday 19th December KS2 Christmas

Thursday Collective Worship

Thursday Collective Worship is led by St Barnabas' Church

Thursday 11th October the theme is Edith Cavell

Thursday 18th October the theme is St Luke

Thursday 1st November the theme is All Saints

Thursday 8th November the theme is Remembrance

Thursday 15th November the theme is St Martin of Tours

Thursday 22nd November the theme is St Cecilia

Thursday 29th November the theme is Advent

Thursday 6th December the theme is St Nicholas

Thursday 13th December the theme is St Lucy

Thursday 20th December the theme is Time

Term Dates 2018-2019

Half term ends on Friday 19th October at 3pm
The second half of term starts on Monday 29th October

Term ends on Friday 21st December at 1:30pm

Term 2 starts Tuesday 8th January

Term ends Friday 15th February at 3pm

The second half of term starts on Monday 25th February

Term 2 ends on Friday 5th April at 1.30pm

Term 3 starts on Tuesday 23rd April

Half term ends on Friday 24th May at 3pm

Inset day Monday 3rd June. Term starts on 4th June

Term 3 ends on Tuesday 23rd July at 1.30pm

Term starts on Wednesday 4th September 2019

Dates

Tuesday 9th October at 6pm to 7.30pm
International Evening

The children share greetings, songs and music from around the world.

Families bring food to share after the concert in their child's classroom this gives families a chance to meet and get to know each other.

Monday 12th November Year 6 to Yenworthy
Parent Consultations from 12th - 23rd November.

We usually have the consultations for a week but Year 6 will be away so we have extended the time to two weeks. Staff, when they have decided on their specific days will let you know at the start of next term so you can sign up for a consultation. Staff are always very obliging and will find an alternative time if you cannot make the slots given.

KS1 Nativity at St Barnabas' Church Tuesday 11th December

Friday 14th December wear a Christmas Jumper to school and raise money for Save the Children.

Monday 17th December Panto at Oxford Playhouse

Tuesday 18th December Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 19th December Christmas Party

After School Club – Booking forms are now available for the next half term from the office or the school website. Thank you.

Yours sincerely



Fiona Hawkins