



Richard Clarke First School Newsletter
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Dates for the Spring Term

Monday 28th January - Health and Wellbeing event for parents (see detail below)
Friday 1st February - PTFA funded Chinese New Year workshops for the whole school
Friday 1st February - PTFA meeting for parents, friends, carers, 8.00-9.30pm, The Crown Pub
Friday 8th February - Parent Support Group meeting, 9.10am
Friday 8th February - PTFA school disco, 5.30-7pm
Wednesday 13th February, 3.30-4.15pm - GANAS project share opportunity
Friday 15th February - Reception Class Parent Assembly 2.45pm
Friday 15th February - BREAK UP, Mid year reports out
Monday 25th February - BACK TO SCHOOL
Friday 1st March - Year 2 Parent Assembly **9.15am**
Friday 8th March - World Book Day celebrations (details to follow)
Friday 15 March - Year 4 Parent Assembly 2.45pm
Friday 22nd March - Year 1 Parent Assembly 2.45pm
Friday 29th March - Year 3 Parent Assembly 2.45pm
Monday 1st April - Parent Consultation Meetings
Tuesday 2nd April - Parent Consultation Meetings
Friday 12th April - Spring Sing and competition, 2pm, details to follow
Friday 12th April - Break up for Easter
Monday 29th April - Back to School for the summer term

MASTERY MATHS PARENT WORKSHOP!

Thank you to the parents who came to the workshop this week. It was a disappointing turn out of only 10 parents. Nonetheless it was a great workshop and the feed back was very positive:

- ⇒ *Brilliant informative evening! Engaging speaker with information well spaced. Everyone learnt something. Thank you!*
- ⇒ *Fab explanation and overview of all stages of maths. Years Rec-Y4.*
- ⇒ *Absolutely amazing. Very refreshing. Good to keep up to date with our children's maths.*
- ⇒ *Excellent presentation. Thank you for your time on this it will prove very helpful at home.*
- ⇒ *There's an obvious passion for mathematics and real commitment to driving the best results possible within a classroom of (I expect) different levels of ability. Thank you!*
- ⇒ *Wish I was back at school!*

If you missed the workshop please see Mr Hindhaugh for the slides or speak to him for a brief overview. We will also put the slides on the website for you to look at.

Have you got.....

Our outdoor waterproof suits for Reception class are getting tatty and we've had to throw some away. Has anyone got any that their children have grown out of that they could donate to school?? Or have Reception class children got their own home ones they could bring in to wear?? Let myself or Mrs Read know if you can help. Many thanks. Mrs Hanson

PTFA News

Great fundraising achievements last term due to the fantastic PTFA team and brilliant community and parent support. Thank you to everyone! We look forward to making spending decisions at our next meeting after raising £885.15 from our Christmas fair and raffle.

So onwards into Spring...

The next PTFA meeting will be Friday 1st February 8-9.30pm, The Crown Pub

Please spread the word. Everyone is welcome and the more we have, the more ideas we have.

SCHOOL DISCO

Time to get those dancing shoes on for our first school disco this school year. The disco will start at 5.30pm on Friday 8th February and finish at 7pm. Entrance to the disco £4 per child and this entrance fee includes a hot dog (thanks to Wilsons butchers for providing local sausages!), a bag of crisps and unlimited squash. There will be some extra items that children can purchase at the disco (e.g. glo sticks-20p, sweets -20p, extra crisps-20p). Please sign up to help on the rota sheet on the noticeboard.

Health & Well-being event, Monday 28th January - REMINDER

Happy New Year to you all. Have you made your resolution yet? Is the top of the list this year is to "eat healthier" and "do more exercise"? Well that's all sorted for you!!!! On 28th January our school partners Hoar Cross Hall will be hosting and part-sponsoring a Health & Well-Being event at our school. As well as launching corporate membership for the whole school community there will be parent workshops available with their fully qualified NHS Dietician and a chance to try out a Zumba class in the hall with one of their personal trainers. I have arranged some healthy food and drinks to be served during the event and there will also be an opportunity to ask the Hoar Cross team any questions you may have about their fantastic offer. Tickets will cost £2 each and will include some fabulous raffle prizes from our sponsors. Parent workshops will be from 3.45 - 4.45 and 5.30 - 6.30 and I will be hosting pupil childcare (school age children only) in one of the classroom's allowing you the freedom to attend. The Zumba class will be at 5.30 - 6.30 for those who would like to join in. Tickets for the event will be on a first come first serve basis so don't waste time and get yours as soon as you can from the school office. Mrs Care

Parent Assemblies

This term we are inviting you to our class assemblies. They will form part of our celebration assemblies on Friday. Each class will have their turn and parents/carers and grandparents can attend for their child's class. It is an opportunity for you to share in our celebration of learning. The dates are as follows:

Friday 15th February - Reception Class Parent Assembly 2.45pm

Friday 1st March - Year 2 Parent Assembly **9.15am**

Friday 15 March - Year 4 Parent Assembly 2.45pm

Friday 22nd March - Year 1 Parent Assembly 2.45pm

Friday 29th March - Year 3 Parent Assembly 2.45pm

NB: Y2's assembly is in the morning due to the other plans in the afternoon.

Friday 8th February 9.10am Parent Support Group - Run by parents, for parents!

This is an hour get together of parents to chat over a cup of tea and a slice of cake about anything and everything. Please support this group because without numbers we may not be able to continue with this valuable session. Please come and bring your items for discussion or just yourselves!!

This session's main focus will be on feeding back to school on some revised policies.

Book Club

NEW!

Are you interested in joining an Abbots Bromley Book Club?

A friend and I are looking to set up a book club.
It would be great to get a group together who love to read and are willing to try reading books
that they may not necessarily pick up themselves.

We thought of meeting in a pub in the village one evening as an initial meet then take it from
there.

Let me know if you're interested by messaging me on 07775555978
Thanks! Rachel Walters