



The Richard Clarke First School Newsletter
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Dates for the diary: (could be subject to change. Always check newsletters & website)

Friday 18.10.19 School disco, 5.30-7pm

Thursday 24.10.19 Harvest Festival (all parents and friends invited) 2pm, in the school hall

Break up 24.10.19

Friday 25.10.19 Staff Training Day, school closed to children.

Children return to school on Monday 4th November

13.11.19 or 14.11.19 Parent/Teacher Meetings (save the date - details to follow)

20.11.19 Reading workshop for parents led by Mr Welsh, 6pm

3.12.19 Maths workshop for parents led by Mr Hindhaugh, 3.45pm

Friday 6.12.19 Christmas Fair (details to follow)

Friday 13.12.19 Christmas Play Performance, St Nicholas Church, 2pm (all parents and friends invited)

Friday 20.12.19 Break up for Christmas

Monday 6.1.20 SCHOOL CLOSED INSET DAY

Tuesday 7.1.20 Pupils back in for Spring term

**SCHOOL DISCO TODAY Friday 18th October
5.30pm – 7pm**

£4 Entry includes hotdog, crisps, and unlimited squash!!!

Former Richard Clarke pupils (up to Y6) are also welcome!

Sweets are 20p each, Extra crisps 20p each, glo sticks 20p each

HARVEST CELEBRATION Thursday 24th October 2pm in the School Hall

You are all invited to come and hear the children sing at our Harvest Celebration.

As part of our celebration we make a collection of food to donate to the Rugeley food bank to support local children and families in need.

Donations of foodstuffs would be greatly appreciated. If you feel that you would like to contribute, then please deliver your donation to your child's class teacher before Thursday.

Thank you very much.

PTFA Harvest raffle—tickets on sale next week, draw at the Harvest Celebration

Prizes include:

1st Giant Pumpkin, with carving kit, decorations and family entry to AB Scouts Fireworks

2nd pumpkin, with decorations and bottle of gin

3rd Pumpkin with carving kit and bottle wine

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

CHRISTMAS TREAT Wednesday 18th December—Theatre trip for whole school

Every year we organise a Christmas treat in school supported by the PTFA:

2018—Chinese New Year experience

2017—In house panto 'Snow White'

2016— Steel drum workshops

2015— Wok and Roll, Stafford Gatehouse

2014— Circus skills workshop

We try to alternate a workshop experience with a play experience and try to go out to the theatre every 4 years so the children get the experience at least once during their time at school.

This year we have decided to go to the theatre to watch 'Sleeping Beauty' in Stoke. This event will be subsidised by the PTFA and of course by your wonderful support throughout the year. The PTFA will pay for the coaches to get us to the theatre. We will be asking parents for a kind voluntary donation payable via Parentpay closer to the time to pay for the ticket and a snack.

Going to the theatre is so magical and such an enriching experience that not all children will have had so we hope you can support this event at what I know is an already expensive time of year. Many thanks.

THURSDAY 24TH October 2019—Halloween lunch

The kitchen staff are putting on a themed lunch on Thursday 24th:

Dead finger Hot dogs

Haunted Quorn burgers with blood curdling relish

Cobweb chips

Bewitching baked beans

Creepy chocolate crispy bar

Slime yogurt or frightening fruit platter

Get booked in for the Halloween lunch !



PTFA FUNDRAISER—SQUARE CHALLENGE RAFFLE

The PTFA are running a fundraiser that has been kindly organised by one of our new parents. Your child came home with a grid of squares for you to raffle off last week. Once you have filled the grid, return it with the money raised to the PTFA who will draw your raffle for a guaranteed prize winner of a Body Shop Home gift set worth £20. On top of this the children who take part will receive a thank you gift. We would be grateful if you could get involved with this fundraiser! As ever, all the money raised will be spent on your children in school. **Many thanks!**

After school Clubs to begin next half term

Tuesday

Multi Skills with BACT

£3 per child per week totalling £18 for the course. Continuing for 6 weeks for Reception, Years 1 and 2. All existing and new children welcome.

Tuesday

Board Games with Miss Wain for Y2, Y3 & 4. £3 per week for 6 weeks totalling £18 for the course.

Thursday

Choir with Mr Welsh & Miss Cooper for Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4. Unlimited spaces – £20 for 6 sessions inclusive of a drink and snack until 4.30pm.

Please email the school office to register your interest for any of our clubs - Thank You

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Abbots Bromley Scouts & Guides

BONFIRE & FIREWORKS



Tuesday 5th November 2019



Abbots Bromley
Village Hall

£4 per person

£15 per family (4+)

Bonfire at 6.30pm

Fireworks at 7pm

BBQ and
Refreshments

LOST PROPERTY!

There is an abundance of lost property in the box by the office— please ensure that your child's uniform is named otherwise we cannot return it to the rightful owner