

Framwellgate Moor Primary
Parental Newsletter
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Issue 2

Jeans for Genes

Thank you for all of the donations for the very worthwhile 'Jeans for Genes' charity. A total of £223 has been raised so far, afternoon Nursery donations still to be counted.



Reception Parents

A Phonics workshop will take place in the Caterpillar Nursery on **Friday 27th September at 9am** for Reception Parents. Once children are taken to the Reception class, parents can then walk through the Lower Hall to go to Caterpillars Nursery. We look forward to seeing Reception parents there.

Phonics workshops for pupils

We are starting a new phonics project for pupils beginning on Monday 23rd September. 8 members of staff will teach small phonics groups taking part in practical and fun activities every day between 1pm and 1:15pm to boost and revise phonic knowledge. This will provide pupils with the opportunity to work within a small group and gain confidence in reading and writing. This will continue for a 10 week block and then be evaluated.

Writing Week – Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October

Pupils will take part in lots of writing activities during the week. On Friday 25th October Adam Bushnell (local author) will be running a 'Horrible Histories Day'. All pupils can come into school in fancy dress on this day. The theme for fancy dress is 'Horrible Histories.' Some ideas are: Knights, princesses, Tudors, Ancient Greeks, World War 2, Egyptians, Romans.

Data Collection

Please make sure that the Office are made aware of any changes to contact details immediately. It is imperative that we can contact yourselves if required to.

Drop off for Caterpillar and Butterflies Nursery

Please can those parents who use the 'drop off' car parking area at lunch time for Caterpillar's and Butterflies Nursery refrain from talking to pupils on the KS2 yard whilst they are playing. Adults talking to pupils during lunchtime unsupervised could cause safe guarding issues. We have also had children not playing but simply just waiting to see their parents drop off family members. It would be better if pupils could continue to play with their friends during lunchtime as usual. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Clubs

After school Clubs have now started. There are still places available for KidsRfit, choir and debate club.

Digital Parenting

A new e-f-safety magazine called 'Digital Parenting' is going out with this letter today.

Photograph Day

Photograph Day will be on Wednesday 16th October. A separate letter will go out nearer the time asking parents if they wish siblings to be taken together on one photograph. Siblings who do not attend Nursery or Primary school cannot be taken with other children.

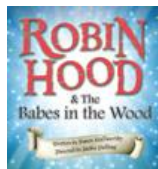
Cycling to School



Cycling to school is an excellent way to keep fit and help the environment, and something we encourage, however, the safety of the children is of utmost importance, and children from R - Y4 should always be supervised by an adult if cycling to school.

Children in Y5/6 are permitted to cycle to school independently, provided they have completed the Cycle Training course provided in school by 'Bikeability'. In addition to this, parents of children cycling to school independently should also complete the Bike Contract to give their permission for children to do this. These can be collected from the school office.

Robin Hood KS2 Theatre trip for Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 pupils



The Gala Theatre requires the number of tickets needed by Monday 21st October. The school does not want to pay for tickets that are not required. Therefore, we will appreciate your support in confirming whether or not your child will be attending this year by filling in the slip as soon as you receive the letter. Money can follow the slip later and needs to be sent in by Monday 2nd December.

Books - making space for Christmas!

If you have books at home that your child/ren have grown out of we would very much appreciate these for our school Library. Please bring them into school. Thank you



Cauliflower Cards



Children will once again complete their Cauliflower Card designs during the week commencing Monday 21st October and they will be sent home on Friday 25th October. If you wish to order cards, please return the relevant forms and payment to school no later than Monday 11th November to ensure your cards are received in plenty of time for Christmas.

Parents Appointments for Open Afternoon

Parent appointments will be held after half term, on Monday 11th November. As usual, sign-up sheets will be available at the school office for you to arrange your appointment nearer to the time.

Scholastic Book Fair

We have asked Scholastic Book Fair to visit school for the week beginning Monday 11th November to 15th November. All money raised from book purchased will buy additional books for the school Library.

Half Term

Half term week begins on Monday 28th October and we return to school on Monday 4th November at 8:45am.

Dates for your Diary - Autumn Term - 2013

Photograph Day - Wednesday 16th October

Parent Appointments for Open Afternoon - Monday 11th November - from 1:30pm

Return Cauliflower Card Orders if required - Monday 11th November

School Disco - Monday 9th December

Foundation Stage Christmas concert - Wednesday 11th December (9:30am for morning group and 1pm for afternoon pupils)

Year 2 and Year 3 Christmas Performance - Friday 13th December @ 1:30pm

KS2 Christmas Gala Theatre Trip - Robin Hood and his Babes in the Wood - Tuesday 17th December

Reception and Year 1 Christmas Performance - Tuesday 17th December @ 1:30pm

Y4,5,6 Christmas Performance - Monday 16th December @ 1:30pm

KS1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Party - Wednesday 18th December 2013

Reception Christmas Party - Wednesday 18th December

Nursery Christmas Parties (am and pm) - Wednesday 18th December

School Christmas Lunch - Wednesday 18th December 2013

Break up for Christmas - Thursday 19th December at 3:15/3:20pm

Return to school - Monday 6th January 2014