



Paradykes Post



03.11.23

Dear Families,

What a wet week we've had! Hopefully the weekend will bring a bit more sunshine!



Staffing News

Mrs Pam Montgomery, one of our learning assistants, has been made a permanent member of staff - we are absolutely delighted! We are currently advertising for a 20 hour learning assistant to join our team. I will keep you updated and let you know as soon as someone has been appointed.



Building Updates

I am meeting with someone from the authority to discuss the playground and how we can make it a better place to be when it is wet weather. We need to make the hill 'out of bounds' when it's wet, due to the amount of mud, which leaves less space for all of our children to play in. I will keep you updated with progress. In the meantime, we will try and keep your children as clean as possible but we apologise in advance for any muddy clothing. If you haven't already sent in a pair of indoor shoes, now would be a great time! Thank you.



Poppies

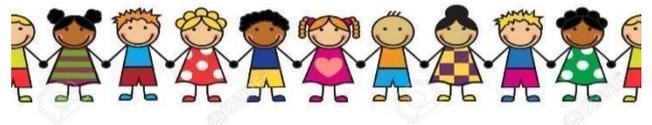
Your child will come home with a poppy on Tuesday, following our assembly about Remembrance Day on Monday. If you wish to make a donation, please send it in with your child on Tuesday morning.

Achievement Assembly

It is also our Achievement Assembly on Monday, where we look at all the photos that have been taken or sent in to celebrate the wider achievements of our children. Please do continue to send photos in and they will be added to our next Achievement Assembly in a few weeks.

Parent Consultations

We are really looking forward to seeing you all next week at Parent Consultations! As usual, your child's work will be available to browse through in the dining room, either before or after your appointment. Please could you make your way into the main hall a few minutes before your appointment time so that teachers can see you have arrived. Thank you!

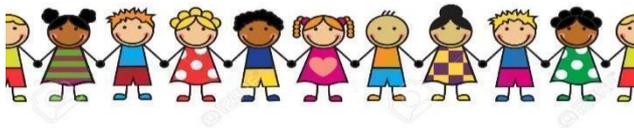


Bags2School

A letter should have come home today about Bags2School and the actual bag will come home on Monday. Thank you for your support.

Snacks

We are trying to encourage children to eat a balanced diet, including their snack. We would really appreciate it if you could send in snacks that have some nutritional value, and not snacks such as lollipops and sweets that are mainly sugar based. Please can we ask that it is also limited to a maximum of two snacks. Children will be given 15 minutes to eat their snack and then be asked to save the rest for later. Thank you for your support with this.



Christmas Dates

We can't ignore it any longer! Christmas is just around the corner and there are some important dates for your diary:

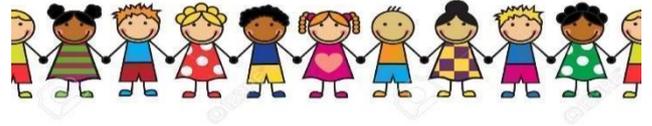
- 01.12.23** Parent/Carer Enterprise Day (where parents/carers are invited in to school to make something to sell at the fair)
- 01.12.23** Nursery Stay and Play
- 06.12.23** Christmas Lunch (more information next week)
- 08.12.23** Christmas Fair
- 13.12.23** Nativity Performances am and pm
- 15.12.23** Family Movie Afternoon

Dates for parties are yet to be finalised but will be from the 14th onwards. There will also be other things popping up, such as choir performances, which will keep you up to date about!

Kind regards,

Helen Reed

Headteacher



School dates for your diary

- 07.11.23 Parent Consultations 4:30 - 8pm
- 09.11.23 Parent Consultations 3:30 - 5pm
- 14.11.23 P5 and P6 Movie Night
- 30.11.23 Parent Council Meeting - 7pm - via Zoom
- 01.12.23 Christmas Enterprise Day
- 01.12.23 Nursery Stay and Play
- 06.12.23 Christmas Lunch
- 08.12.23 Christmas Fair
- 13.12.23 Nativity Performances am and pm
- 15.12.23 Family Movie Afternoon
- 22.12.23 End of Term
- 08.01.24 Inservice Day 4 for staff
- 09.01.24 All resume
- 22-26.01.24 P7 Residential Trip
- 06.02.24 Parent Council Meeting - 7pm - via Zoom
- 09.02.24 Mid term Break
- 19.02.24 All resume
- 15.03.23 Profiles out
- 28.03.24 End of Term
- 16.04.24 All resume
- 06.05.24 May Day holiday
- 20.05.24 Inservice Day 5 for staff
- 28.05.24 Sports Day
- 04.06.24 Parent Consultations 4:30 - 8pm
- 06.06.24 Parent Consultations 3:30 - 5pm
- 07.06.24 Summer Fair
- 12.06.24 - 14.06.24 P7 transition visits to High School
- 20.06.24 P7 Leavers' Show (afternoon)
- 28.06.24 End of Term

