

Melbourne Infant Weekly News



Friday 24 January 2020

This week Green Learning Team had a visit from Animal Magic this week to complement their work on Rainforests. The children always enjoy it when they are able to see and handle animals in school and this visit was no exception. We had some very brave children looking at and holding some of the animals that included an owl; snake; tarantula; scorpion and one of the favourites of the day, a chameleon. A big thank you to the PTA for funding the event.

Pyjama Party - A letter has been sent home with all the children today. If they would like to attend, please ensure that payment/slips are posted in the PTA post box in the main entrance by 4 February. See the PTA section for further details. All the children may come to school in their pyjamas on this day, whether they are attending the pyjama party or not.

C Gibbs

Reading Corner

The Author of the month for February is: Janet & Allen Ahlberg
- Look out for some of their books to read with your children

The reading quote for this week is:

"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirates' loot on Treasure Island.

Walt Disney

Coming soon - The Book Bus. Further details will follow in due course.

Recycling - empties please

In the main foyer there is a recycling box for any used printer cartridges from home - branded cartridges only please. Any others cannot be recycled.

PTA News

A **Pyjama Party** will take place on Friday 7th February. All children are welcome to come to school in their pyjamas on this day, and to bring a teddy! The film will be shown after school and children will need to be collected from their classroom at 4:30pm. The cost of this event is £4 and includes a picnic tea. Please complete reply slips and put these along with payment in an envelope in the PTA post-box by Tuesday 4th February. Volunteers are needed to help run this event and to help in the morning to prepare the picnic tea. If you are able to help please indicate this either on the reply slips, or by contacting us on our Facebook page.

Circus - We are very excited to be hosting Happy's Circus on Tuesday 5th May 2020. Tickets are on sale. Please see the posters around school and on Facebook for more details. We are also looking for volunteers to help us on the day of the event. A sign up sheet will go up by the office shortly detailing the jobs that need doing and at what time. If you are able to help at all please sign up!

January Dates

31 Balanceability for Reception children

February Dates

7 Balanceability for Reception children
7 PJ Day - children can come to school dressed in their pyjamas
11 Reception Turtle Tea Party 2.20 pm
13 Children break up for February Half Term
14 INSET Day - staff only
24 School re-opens
24 Blue Learning Team cricket coaching

March Dates

3 Reception Balanceability Festival (letters will follow soon)
5 World Book Day - theme to follow
10 & 19 Parents Evenings
10 Book Bus visit

Whole School Attendance

96.3%

Target 97%

Safeguarding

If you have a concern regarding child protection or safeguarding please contact:

Child Protection Officer -

Mrs C Gibbs

Deputy Child Protection Officers
- Mrs V Howell and Mr J Simpson.

If you have any safeguarding concerns please call the following numbers -

Starting Point: 01629 533190

NSPCC Helpline:08088005000

Balanceability

All the Reception children will be receiving Balanceability sessions over the next couple of weeks. There will also be an opportunity for children to take part in a festival on 3rd March. Letters will be coming out next week with all the details.

Sickness

Is the time of year when lots of bugs are around! Please will you ensure that if your child is absent with sickness / diarrhoea that they are off school for 48 hours after their last episode to ensure there is no spread of the illness.

Medical Appointments

Where possible please make medical appointments outside of school time - when collecting your child please show the appointment to the office staff.

Red Learning Team Zebra/Penguin

PE on Friday - please ensure your children can dress themselves, particularly when wearing tights and tops with buttons!

Green Learning Team Tiger/Koala

No notices this week

Blue Learning Team Chipmunk/Squirrel/Toucan

Please can all children bring a shoe box into school on Monday for junk modelling.

For further information please see our school website

<https://www.melbourne-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk/>