

Melbourne Infant Weekly News



Friday 31 January 2020

This morning some of our reception children were lucky enough to take part in our first balanceability workshop. However due to our weather not all children had the opportunity to have their first session. We will ensure the children have a longer session next week - weather dependent!

Please may I remind everyone that there should be **no parking** on the school site at any time during the day, unless prior agreement has been given. The only cars that are authorised to come onto the site are for dropping children off in the mornings at breakfast club but only up until 8.10 am are authorised. Your co-operation in this matter would be much appreciated.

Pyjama Party - Please remember the pyjama party will take place on Friday, please 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

Whole School Attendance

96.19%

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

Reading Corner

The reading quote for this week is:

"Once you learn to read, you will be forever free"

Frederick Douglas

World Book Day is on the horizon on Thursday 5 March and we will be asking all children to dress up as their favourite book character and to bring in their favourite book. There will also be an opportunity to enter a book competition where children will be asked to create a book in a box. More information will follow next week.

Absences

Please be reminded regulations stipulate that Headteachers should not grant approval for any leave of absence during term-time, including holidays, unless there are exceptional circumstances. Any requests should be made on an official leave of absence request form obtained from the office. Any holiday request, even with exceptional circumstances, will not be authorised during the Year 2 SATs 11-22 May and Year 1 Phonic Screening 8-12 June.

Parents' Evening

On Wednesday next week around midday, we will be sending an email out to everyone to allow you to book an appointment with your child's class teacher for parents' evening. Please let office staff know if you do not receive an email.

PTA News

Pyjama Party Friday 7 February - please return reply slips and payment by Tuesday 4 February to the PTA post box in the main entrance. The cost of this event is £4 and includes a picnic tea. Children can be collected at 4.30 pm from classrooms.

Circus - we are very excited to be hosting Happy's Circus on Tuesday 5 May 2020. Tickets are now 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!

Girls hair/ Jewellery

Please ensure that girls have their hair tied back for PE. Please can parents ensure children are not bringing jewellery into school and that earrings are not worn on PE days.

Red Learning Team

Zebra/Penguin

Please ensure all children have gloves for their balanceability session arranged for next Friday.

Green Learning Team

Tiger/Koala

Please send in a shoe box for class junk modelling (Monday please if possible).

Blue Learning Team

Chipmunk/Squirrel/Toucan

There will be an open classroom afternoon on Wednesday 12 February for all parents to come into their child's class at 9.00 am to 9.30 am. Please sign in at the front door.

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

For further information please see our school website

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