



Parent Information Sheet – Thursday 8th November 2018

Remembrance Service

This year's community Remembrance Day Parade and Service will be held on Sunday 11th November. The parade will assemble at the former Oakdale Post Office at 10:40am. It would be wonderful if as many pupils as possible could walk with the school as part of the parade. Once again this year, pupils from Rhiw Syr Dafydd Primary School will be actively involved in the service.

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is the National Anti-Bullying week. All classes throughout the school will be having lessons relating to this theme and will produce a poster. Posters will be shared with parents on SeeSaw. The theme for Anti-Bullying week is 'Choose Respect' and on Monday 12th November we are encouraging pupils to wear odd socks to school.

Children in Need

On Friday 16th November we will join with other schools in supporting Children in Need. Our theme this year is 'Throwback' and we are encouraging staff and pupils to dress up in something from your heyday or a bygone era! Will it be big hair, leg warmers, shell suits and neon of the 1980s? Or flapper dresses, feather boas, bowler hats and tuxedos of the 1920s? We are suggesting a donation of £1 per pupil. We will also have a large Pudsey bear in the junior hall which we will cover in coins. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support with our fund raising efforts.

After School Clubs

Please inform the school office if your child will not be staying for a scheduled after school club. Pupils who come to the school office during the school day to say they do not wish to attend a club will not be allowed to phone home unless they are ill. This is a safeguarding issue as we need to know where the pupils are at all times.

Safeguarding

An information leaflet regarding safeguarding at our school will be sent home with the pupils. The leaflet will allow you to understand what safeguarding is and the school's responsibilities in this area.

Respect

Share

Determined

Passionate

Successful

Operation Christmas Child

As in previous years we will once again be collecting shoe boxes to support this very worthwhile appeal. Please decide if your gift is for a girl or a boy and wrap the shoe box and lid separately and send your shoe box into school as soon as possible. Leaflets are available from the school. Please ensure that all shoe boxes for this appeal are sent into school by Tuesday 27th November as they will be collected on this date. Thank you to everyone who has sent in shoe boxes already.

Christmas Information

Next week's newsletter will include all of the information you require regarding Christmas at Rhiw Syr Dafydd Primary School. Christmas dinner, Christmas concert information, Christmas parties, Pantomime, Christmas Fayre, etc.

PTA Disco

The PTA will hold its Halloween discos tonight! Both will take place in the main hall. Dressing up is very much encouraged!

Years One and Two should be brought to the main entrance of the school for a 4pm start. They should then be collected from their classrooms at 5pm, as you would usually do at the end of the school day. Entrance costs £1.50 and this includes a drink, crisps and sweets.



Junior pupils should be brought to the Y5/Y6 entrance for a 5pm start. Entrance costs £1. Hotdogs (£1), sweets, drinks, crisps and tattoos will be on sale! To collect these children, please come to the main hall at 6:15pm via the Y5/Y6 entrance. We will have one door for entry and one for exit, so allowing parents to walk across the hall collecting their children as they do so. Given the darker evenings, I ask for parents' patience and cooperation with collection arrangements. The pupils' safety is my main priority. Thank you.

Homework

Please remember that each week pupils should bring a reading book home from school. It is imperative that pupils engage in reading activities as often as possible in order to develop their literacy skills. We would be extremely grateful if you could spend a couple of minutes completing your child's reading record as this information is used by the class teacher in assessing reading levels.

In addition to this, pupils in Key Stage 2 should also bring home a list of spellings which they need to learn in preparation for a spelling test on Friday morning. If you do not receive the spelling list, please contact the school.