



Autumn Term 2

Newsletter

28th September 2018

Diary Dates

3rd October

Harvest collection in support of Crawley charity helping the homeless and needy.

4th October 2.15pm

Year 2 meeting for parents— learning and expectations for Year 2.

10th October 9-9.30-am

Phonics meeting for EY parents.

12th October

Dress Down Day

15th October 2.15pm

'6 weeks In' meeting for Early Years' parents.

17th October 2pm

Year 1 parents' meeting transition to Yr1 and top tips to support your child's learning.

19th October

Inset day

22nd-26th October

Half term

16th November

Flu Immunisations all years

November 12th –16th

Parent Consultation Meetings. An opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their teacher. Details of class-specific days and times will be circulated later. (Late night Wednesday)

19th December

Last day of term.

3rd January

Back to School—Spring Term starts.



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leaves
conkers
acorns



Ephemeral Art in Reception

Apollo, Comet and Galaxy classes will be creating some autumn-inspired art next week, so if you are out and about with your Early Years' child over the weekend, please collect any interesting natural items such as those listed above and bring them in on Monday. Thank you, The Early Years team 😊

Lunch Date

As the colder weather starts to take a hold, cooked lunches will probably become more appealing.

Every child at our school is entitled to a school lunch, free of charge to the parents/ carers, if they wish. We pay for these meals from our budget – part of which is adjusted to reflect how many school meals are being taken by our pupils. Obviously exact numbers change from day to day and week to week, but the funding we receive to supply these meals is based on how many children have lunch from us on a particular day – **Thursday 4th October.**

It would really help us if you could encourage your child to have a school meal next Thursday – or – if they love their favourite sandwich too much to change, perhaps they would be willing to have a few chips as a side? Every child that tries some school lunch will count, in our favour, and help make sure we are allocated enough money to make meals available for everyone that wants one in the future.

Chartwells will be offering a slightly different menu next Thursday, in the hope of encouraging a few more children to try a school lunch:

**Beefburger in a bun or veggie nuggets - and chips
with baked beans or salad and ketchup
Followed by banana marbled sponge with chocolate sauce or melon
slices
And blackcurrant squash, milk or water.**

Thank you for your support with this.

Year 1 Photo Call

The children in Year 1 have been looking at Baptism in their RE work this term and it would be lovely to have some family photos of these celebrations to share in class.



Smile!

We would like to congratulate all the children, especially those in Early Years, for their brilliant behaviour while the school photographs were being taken.

The photographer was so impressed by their manners and attitude that she made a special mention as she left at the end of the busy day!

If you have any photographs showing a Christening or Baptism taking place please send it into school with your child over the next few days so that we can use them during our session on Wednesday (10th October).

Early Years' Yoga

We host a Yoga session, specially designed for children, before school on a Monday morning.

The tutor has found the sessions to be particularly beneficial to younger children settling in to a school routine and so we would like to give any interested children a chance to join in if they wish.

The sessions run from 7.45 in the School Hall and the children go straight to class for registration from there.

If you would like further details, please contact the school office.

Fizz Pop take 2

With only 3 weeks to go to half-term we are already looking to arrange the next 5 workshops of the popular Fizz Pop Science Club.

Names will once again be selected 'out of the hat' of children who expressed an interest in the club when the letters went out initially, but were held on the waiting list. We still have a few more children than we have places available so please keep a check on your child's bookbag to see if they have been successful in the draw for a place from October.

The next 5 workshops will run from Tuesday 30th October until Tuesday 27th November inclusive.

Harvest Food Collection Reminder

To celebrate harvest we will be thinking about those less fortunate than ourselves and hearing about the work of local charity The Easter Team.

We will be collecting donations of long-lasting food; canned vegetables and soups, tea, cereals, tinned meat or fish and dried rice or pasta. The charity, who support the homeless and needy in the Crawley area, will be talking to the children about their work in assembly on Wednesday and then taking the donations for distribution.

Our Vision

With the start of a new year we are looking to update our 'Vision', to make sure it accurately reflects what we do and what we feel is important.

All the staff and children have been asked to suggest words that they feel reflect our school, and we would like to invite the parents to get involved as well.

If you have any suitable and inspiring words which you would like to offer for consideration before the Senior Leadership Team formulate the final version for our new Vision next Wednesday –please email or pop into the School Office.