

Newsletter

Tuesday 6th February

2018

Spring term 1

'Life is like a camera. You focus on what's important. Capture the good times, and if things don't work out take another shot'

We have been really busy since our last newsletter and there are many things that we should be rightly proud of. We had a really successful Link Day with Acocks Green school in Birmingham. Teachers are already planning Day 2 and details will be available shortly. We also had some multi faith visits from the 3 Faiths Forum, which the pupils in Years 3,4,5 and 6 really enjoyed. The visit to the Pantomime at the Hippodrome was a brilliant success and the children didn't stop laughing from start to finish. The behaviour from all the pupils was exemplary and thanks to everyone for supporting this event. It was so successful we have already booked for Peter Pan next year. We have also had success on the sports front too, and all these activities help our pupils to *Live life in all its fullness.*

Best wishes

Mr Lee Kilkenny Headteacher

Miss Meg Griffiths Deputy Headteacher

Here are our new topics for the half term...

Wagtail Class

Traditional Tales

Robin Class

Paws, Claws and Whiskers

Owl Class

Darwin's Delight

Kingfisher Class

Ancient Egypt

Teacher training Day

Just a reminder to all parents and carers that school is closed to pupils on **Friday 16th of February 2018** as all 4 MAT schools have joint teacher training.

Parent Governors

Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote in the recent parent Governor elections. The successful candidates were Mr Burgess and Mr Withey and we look forward to them joining the Governing body of Austrey and Newton Regis.

Holiday Dates 2017/18

School ends—Thursday 15th February 2018

Inset Day for staff— Friday 16th February 2018

Half Term—Monday 19th—Friday 23rd February

School starts—Monday 26th February

School ends—Friday Thursday 29th March

Easter Holidays—Friday 30th March—Friday 13th April

School starts—Monday 16th April

Some other key dates for the diary

Tuesday 6th February- Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6th February- *Y2 KS1 SATS workshop 2.50 start*

Wednesday 7th February- Writers workshop

Thursday 8th February- Reception vision screening

Monday 12th February- Wagtail Parents Consultation evening

Tuesday 13th February—Robin, Owl and Kingfisher Parents evening

Tuesday 13th February- Cross Country at Birchwood School

Thursday 15th February- Wagtails dress up day for end of topic

Thursday 15th February—Break up for Half Term, normal time

Mother's Day Activities

As part of our Mother's day service at Church, we would like some Family Selfies, if you have any that are suitable, could you please email a jpeg to school that we can use in the service.

Safer Internet Day

We continually talk to the children about how they can protect and safeguard themselves both in and outside of school. As part of this we do a lot of work around internet safety.

This year Internet Safety Day is *Tuesday 6th February 2018*. Attached to this newsletter is a useful flyer for parents and carers about safe internet use and websites you can go to for advice. Also if you visit www.saferinternet.org.uk there is loads of information online to support parents and pupils.



Sporting Success

As a school we always try and enter as many sporting competitions as possible, win lose or draw. The pupils really give it their all and it is an important part of life, being able to work as a team and also taste both the highs and lows which sport can provide. Huge congratulations to all our teams that have represented school in a number of competitions recently, and a particular well done to our girls rowing team who have progressed to the next round of the competition.



Parents Consultation Evenings

Once again we have a rolling program of dates for this. Wagtails are on the evening of the **12th February** and all other year groups on the **13th February**. We are going to have a sign up sheet for parents in the school entrance to write down your preferred times and also if you have more than one child in school it might allow you to work out times around them.

STARS, MERITS AND WELL DONES

We want to try and promote everything that your children do both in and out of school, so that they can really *Live life in all its fullness* with that in mind, well done to the following pupils for achieving things in school and at home.

Oscar, Maisy A, Laura, Archie, Eva, Anand, Seth, Y3/Y4 Dodgeball team, Rowing team, Alice M, Year 5 and Year 6 at Selly Manor, whole school at the Hippodrome and all the volunteer helpers

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