

FOUR OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Volume 19 / 20~Issue 9

Infant Department: 0121-675-4040

Junior Department: 0121-675-2685

17th January 2020

Next week



Dear Parents and Governors

Welcome Back

Welcome back to our new school term and if I haven't seen you yet, since returning from the Christmas break, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and healthy New Year. Thank you to everybody who joined us for our various Christmas activities during the last week of term and we hope you enjoyed yourselves.

Reception—Parent Workshop

A very big thank you to all the Reception parents who joined us for the workshop on Wednesday—we hope that you found it useful and enjoyable. Remember that if you ever have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the staff.

Y5 Pupils - Visit to the BETT Show in London



A reminder to the parents of 5G pupils that on 22nd/23rd/24th January the children will be visiting the British Educational Technology Show in London to show off their technology skills based on the work they did in the Autumn Term. If any parents are not sure of the trip details then please contact school immediately for clarification.

Year 3 Assembly and Parent Lunch—23rd January

A reminder to Year 3 parents that this event has been postponed until later in the year. Many thanks for your understanding.

Year 4 Assembly and Parent Lunch—30th January

We look forward to welcoming parents to the Year 4 assembly and lunch. A reminder that the assembly will start at 10.30am in the Infant hall followed by lunch at approximately 11.15am. If you wish to join your child for lunch please access SchoolMoney and go to "Shop Items" and pay for a lunch. You are also able to make multiple bookings for other family members (£4.00 for adults / £2.50 for pre-school siblings).

Australia Day - Non-Uniform - 24th January



Year 1 will be holding a one-off 'Australia Day' on **Friday January 24th** in order to raise awareness and cash for the current bush fire crisis. As well as being timely, this fits into their recent "Poles Apart" topic in class. As part of the day, the children will be baking Anzac biscuits to sell on the Infant playground at the end of the school day for anyone to buy. In order to allow the rest of the school to join in this worthwhile awareness raising, we will be allowing all the children in school to come dressed in clothes containing red, white and blue, or in an Australian theme, for a donation of 50p. Year 1 have decided that any money raised from this day will go to the Port Macquarie Koala Hospital in New South Wales.



School Communication—Wordpress

Just a reminder to parents that all curriculum notes and homework for each class are put on "Wordpress" each week. A link to Wordpress can be found at the bottom of our school website home page. Other information can be found on our website including all diary dates, just click on the news link at the very top of the home page, and of course we will continue to provide information in our newsletter and by letters sent home.

Parents' Evenings

An early reminder that Parents' Evenings will take place on Wednesday 12th February from 5pm to 7.30pm and Thursday 13th February from 4pm to 6.30pm. These evenings give parents the opportunity to have a 10 minute appointment with the class teacher to discuss their child's progress. Please complete the Parents' Evening pro-forma that has been distributed today. Staff will do their utmost to accommodate your preferences and also co-ordinate appointments across classes. Confirmation of appointments will be distributed once staff have received all pro-formas. Please note there are NO childcare facilities on these evenings.





Super Stars and Acorns



Super Stars and Acorns



The following children received Super Stars (Infants) and Acorns (Juniors) in Assembly last week. Well done to them all!!

The following children received Stars (Infants) and Acorns (Juniors) in Assembly this week. Well done to them all!!

Bumblebees	Hajra
Ladybirds	Amber
Owls	Zachary
Hedgehogs	Noah
Turtles	Sahaya
Sharks	James C.
3E	Francis
3R	Sarjan
4C	Leo
4G	Alexander
5C	Alex
5G	Max
6E	Alice
6W	Gabriel

3 extra Superstars were awarded just before Christmas in Year 2 to Christina, Max and Jay for fantastic performances in the Christmas show.

Bumblebees	Harry F.
Ladybirds	Isla
Owls	Oliver J.
Hedgehogs	Amiee
Turtles	Emily
Sharks	Keira
3E	Isla
3R	Mila
4C	Amelia
4G	Louis
5C	Amber
5G	Isabella A.
6E	Toby / Alice
6W	William / Jaden

Courtesy Cup Winners ~ last week

Reception	Annie / Jordan
Year 1	Harry R. / Salahuddin
Year 2	Ava / Daniel
Year 3	Joshua M. / Sienna
Year 4	Jasmine / Reuben C.
Year 5	Reuben M. / Lexie
Year 6	Toby / Ian



Well done to all the winners!

Courtesy Cup Winners ~ this week

Reception	Sheng / Seren Rae
Year 1	Esme / Salahuddin
Year 2	Aneka / Maddison
Year 3	Rosie / Ted
Year 4	Mykola / Jessica Ha.
Year 5	Freya / Daniel W.
Year 6	Isabella S. / Danny



Well done to all the winners!

Infant Birthdays



Julia Ryan
Daia B. Subhaan
Oliver M. Christina
Saffron Lily K.
Daniel C.

Premier Sports—Dance

A reminder that Premier Sports are running a Dance Club for Junior children on a Tuesday lunchtime. If you would like to enrol your child follow the link on our website under extra-curricular activities. Some places may also be available for the Infant Dance Club on a Friday lunchtime.



School Dinners—Juniors

Can parents please remember to respond to any SchoolMoney requests for payments for school meals. Any problems with payments please contact Mrs Johnson in the Junior office.

Data Sheets—Years 1-6

Data sheets have come out to parents. We need to confirm we have up to date contact details for parents and other emergency contacts. Could you please check all details and make any amendments necessary and return the form to school as soon as possible. **Please note we require the form returned even if there are no amendments.** Thank you.

Charity News - "Kevin the Carrot"

A big thank you to Ellen in Year 5 who, just before Christmas, decided to raise some money for Birmingham Children's Hospital. She raffled a cuddly "Kevin the Carrot" in the Junior building and split the funds that she raised between school and the hospital. It is lovely to know that we have so many pupils who think about those less fortunate than themselves. In the next few weeks we also have groups of Junior children planning to run cake sales to raise money for charity, which is a lovely thing to do!



Birmingham School Year 2020-2021

We can now give the dates for the next academic year 2020-2021. Please remember that an additional 5 training days still need to be allocated.

Autumn Term 2020

Term Starts: Tuesday 1 September 2020

Half Term: Monday 26 October 2020 to Friday 30 October 2020

Term Ends: Friday 18 December 2020

Spring Term 2021

Term Starts: Monday 4 January 2021

Half Term: Monday 15 February 2021 to Friday 19 February 2021

Term Ends: Thursday 1 April 2021

Summer Term 2021

Term Starts: Monday 19 April 2021

Half Term: Monday 31 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021

Term Ends: Wednesday 21 July 2021



.....PTA NEWS... PTA NEWS... PTA NEWS... PTA NEWS... PTA NEWS...

PTA Disco

We hope that all the children who came to the PTA Disco and Pizza Party enjoyed themselves last Friday. Once again, many thanks to the PTA Committee for all of their hard work which goes into raising money for all the pupils in school.



Comedy Night—7th February

The PTA Comedy Night is on Friday 7th February, please see the attached flyer for all the information. Tickets are on sale today so don't delay!



ICT Tip of the Week

'Laura Higgins, the Community Safety Director at Roblox met with London Grid for Learning just before Christmas to discuss all things Roblox, and most importantly, how to stay safe on the world's biggest games platform. They discuss parental settings and what safeguards there are. If you want to find out more about Roblox and how to keep children safe, you can watch the interview here: roblox.lgfl.net

If you have any queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Benton
Head Teacher



**FOUR OAKS
SCHOOL PTA**



**LIVE COMEDY
2 NIGHT**



£20
Food
Included

LIVE COMEDY NIGHT

Friday 7th February
Doors and Bar 7:00pm



JONNY COLE

Jonny writes and performs original songs about life, love and loss (his Xbox!) with hilarious results. A regular presenter on Black Country Radio, his songs have been viewed more than one million times on Youtube.



HOWARD READ

"Breathtakingly funny" Sunday Times

"Just absolutely A-list, gave me stitches till my stomach hurt" Time Out

And

PHIL PAGETT

Tickets via www.pta-events.co.uk/four-oaks-primary
 Tickets available from 17th January 2020