



## Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2018

### Reading Workshop

I was delighted to see so many parents at the reading workshop. Lots of parents said that they really enjoyed this event. They liked being able to visit the different tables and hopefully took away lots of information and some useful handouts. If you weren't able to join us, you can find handouts on the Parent page of DB under Reading workshop.



### Survey

You have already had a letter about the results from the transition survey. I am pleased that there were many positive answers. One thing that came up was that some parents thought that teachers didn't know as much about children's wider interests. This Friday all children in Year 1 and Year 2 will be bringing home some homework called "All about me". Please help them to think carefully about how they answer the questions.

The sheets will not be kept in children's homework folders but in the teacher's class folder. Please make sure your child brings this homework back to school.

### Breakfast Club

We all love our Breakfast club, but can no longer afford to run it by only charging for food. Currently it costs us about £15,000 a year to run the club.

Governors still want it to be good value for money and therefore have agreed that the new charge from January will only be £1.00 a session. We know that this is still much cheaper than any other school. The cost of food will remain the same. This hasn't changed in 8 years.

Children who are eligible for pupil premium will still be able to attend with no cost.



**As I write this letter there are only 40 days to Christmas, and fewer until our Christmas concerts.**



Below are some dates for this term. Please note that there has been a change of timings for the nursery and reception concerts.

### Dates

#### **November**

**14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Consultation Evenings**- if you haven't signed up to see a teacher please do so as soon as possible. I will also ask to see parents where attendance is a cause for concern.

15<sup>th</sup> Road Safety Team

16<sup>th</sup> Children in Need - wear something spotty and bring a donation for a good cause

23<sup>rd</sup> Paramedics in (last year their sessions helped a child at our school save her mum's life and win a national award)

23<sup>rd</sup> Police in for Keeping Safe month

28<sup>th</sup> Governing Body Meeting

29<sup>th</sup> Y1 trip to the London Eye

#### **December**

11<sup>th</sup> Nursery and reception concert - morning CHANGE OF TIME

12<sup>th</sup> Nursery and reception concert - afternoon CHANGE OF TIME

13<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Concert morning

18<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Concert morning

20<sup>th</sup> Party day

21<sup>st</sup> Staff Panto and Last day of term - school closes at 2.15 p.m.

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