



Ecclesbourne Primary School

Newsletter 12th June 2015



Dear Parents and Carers,

The term is rapidly slipping by but there is still so much to do before we break up for summer. There are so many exciting things planned before the end of the year. This week Year 2 have been to the seaside and in the next few weeks children will be visiting The London Wetlands Centre, The Science Museum, London Zoo and The Horniman Museum. Please make a note in your diaries of all the important dates below so that you are up to date. Keep an eye on the website too for regular updates.

Science and Healthy living week: Last week, the children took part in lots of activities centred around the themes of science and healthy living. Those of you following the website will have seen the stories about mass Zumba, healthy picnics, balloon racing and bubble making. The children throughout the school had lots of fun while learning all about how to keep healthy and some amazing science in the world around us. Many thanks to Mr Maurice and all the staff for helping to put together such an inspiring week.

Punctuality and Attendance: Recently, I read with interest Hampshire County council's moves to introduce £60 fines for parents of children who are late more than 10 times. Whilst I am reluctant to fine the parents of children who are occasionally late, there are a number of children who are late at least once a week every single week. I would urge the parents of these children to consider the harm this does to your child's education and the message it sends about the importance of timekeeping. Please ensure your child is on time every single day. On a more positive note, this week's attendance award winners were Planets. Well done to them.

Sun cream and sun hats Now that we are finally having some better weather, please make sure your child comes to school prepared for the sun. The children will be outside at break times and although we urge them to use the shade it is still good for them to have a sunhat in school. Note that baseball caps are not allowed unless they are a Pegasus hat. If your child needs sun cream, please apply this before your child comes to school as staff are not allowed to assist in applying cream to children. Thank you.

Parent MAC vacancy: We are still looking for a new member of our academy council (MACs). We need committed people who are prepared to use their interest to challenge the school leadership and help drive things forward. There is not an onerous time commitment and you get the opportunity to support the school in improving further. If you are interested in helping to shape the future of Ecclesbourne Primary School and your child's education, please speak to Mr Robins.

Other events in the coming weeks:

Week beginning Monday 15th June -Year 1 Phonics screening check

Tuesday 16th June -Reception to Science Museum

Thursday 18th June -Year 1 to Horniman museum

Friday 19th June- Inset day - school closed

Friday 26th June -Year 3 to the Wetlands centre

Tuesday 30th June -Key stage 1 and Reception Sports' day

Wednesday 1st July -Key stage 2 Sports' day

Tuesday 7th July Year 6 Production (evening performance)

Friday 10th July Pupil reports out

Saturday 11th July -Pegasus Family Fun Day– details to follow

Thursday 16th July - End of summer term

Monday 7th September First day of autumn term: Children back in school

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