

Ecclesbourne Primary School Newsletter Friday 27th May 2016



Dear Parents and Carers.

As we reach the final half term, it's hard to think where the year has gone. It really does seem to have flown by. Nevertheless, we will still be cramming loads more into the final 7 weeks so make sure you have the important dates below in your diary. Also, it looks like we might finally get some nice weather so please make sure your children are suitably dressed for school and have sun hats and sun cream if needed. For our part, we will keep encouraging children to seek shade and to keep hydrated if the weather gets too hot. I would like to wish all of you a restful break over the holiday but particularly our Year 6 and Year 2 children who have been working really hard this term completing their SATs. Have a good rest. You've earned it!

<u>Parent Questionnaire</u> Many thanks to everyone who responded to the questionnaire. We managed to gather more responses than last year and we will be looking at the information received to see how we can improve. I know that one or two responses were about communication between the school and keeping you informed. I would recommend visiting the school website at www.pegasusacademytrust.org.uk regularly as it is always being updated with news and events.

Parking Unfortunately, once again, I find myself returning to the subject of parking outside the school. Please can I ask parents not to park on the yellow lines outside of the school. This makes it dangerous for children to cross the road between parked cars and it also causes a traffic jam as there are no passing places and cars cannot flow in and out of Attlee Close. In turn, this results in drivers pulling their cars onto the pavement, again endangering children on their way to school. If you have no option but to drive to school then I would suggest that you park on Pawsons Road, where there is ample legal parking, and enter the school via the Lion Road gate. After the holiday, we will be placing signs in the road to make it clear where cars should not park. Please help us to keep your children safe by heeding the signs. Thank you

<u>Challenge Week</u> The week after half term sees the Trust launching it's first ever Challenge Week. This is an opportunity to ensure that we are offering a broad and balanced curriculum and to have some fun with learning that is not rigidly dominated by reading, writing and maths. The children will be taking part in a number of challenges such as memory challenges, building challenges and team work exercises. There are also a number of challenges that children can try at home over the half term. These are optional extras not homework and should be seen as fun. Details of the ideas can be found on the website at www.pegasusacademytrust.org

Other events in the coming weeks

Friday 27th May - End of half term Monday 6th June - Back to school

Tuesday 14th June KS1 and EYFS Sports day - details to follow

Wednesday 15th June KS2 Sports Day- details to follow

Thursday 23rd June School closed for polling station

Friday 24th June INSET day- school closed

Week Beginning Monday 27th June -Year 6 school journey to the Isle of Wight

Friday 8th July - school reports out

Thursday 21st July - End of school year

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