



Whitley Park Primary and Nursery School

Brixham Road, Reading RG2 7RB

Telephone: 0118 937 5566

Fax: 0118 937 5198

Email: head@whitleypark.reading.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs Karen Salter

Website: www.whitleyparkprimaryschool.co.uk

7th March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you very much for supporting your children with their World Book Day costumes last week, it certainly was a memorable day with children and adults participating fully and with equal enjoyment as the photos below demonstrate!



Thank you also for everyone who has visited the Travelling Book shop over the last week, we have been overwhelmed by the numbers of books purchased this year and look forward as a result to receiving some lovely new free books to add to our library stock.

Parentpay

Following the successful implementation of lunch ordering and paying for school trips online with Parentpay, we are going to add the after school clubs as well; starting with the Summer term clubs. We will email a separate letter to you towards the end of this term with further details.

Parent Evening appointments online

As you are already aware, we have moved the Parent Evening Booking online as well and you should have received a text with a link to book your appointment with your child's teacher. Thank you to all the Parents/Carers who have booked already. If you haven't already done so, please book your appointment online asap. If you are having problems booking online, then the office team will be happy to help so please do ask. We look forward to welcoming all parents to school to discuss their children's learning progress with class teachers either on the 9th or 14th March.

Nursery Coffee Mornings

Nursery are holding coffee mornings/afternoons week commencing 13th March. Please see the diary dates overleaf for your child's particular group date and time.

Hexagon Event 16th March

I am delighted to advise that our choir and dance troupe will be performing at the Hexagon on Thursday 16th March: tickets are available from the Hexagon Box Office. This event is organised by local schools to provide children with the opportunity to perform on a stage in front of a large audience and is an evening to remember. We do hope you will be



able to join us for this special evening, the choir and dance troupe are busy rehearsing after school and would very much like to see you there.

Easter Holiday Club

The 'Funtastic Kids' holiday club will be running again during the Easter holidays. They are open from 10th – 13th April 9.30am – 3.30pm £19 per day with siblings half price. If you would like to find out more please look online www.funtastickids.co.uk. Leaflets are also available from the school office.

Red Nose Day Friday 24th March

We will be selling 'Red Noses' on the school doors from Tuesday 21st – Friday 24th March in the **mornings only** to support this charity. It is a **normal school uniform day** but if you would like to donate 50p you can wear red accessories as well. Chartwell's are also supporting by selling cupcakes at a cost of 30p per cake with the proceeds being donated to Comic Relief. If you are planning any fund raising activities with your children, we would love to hear about them – perhaps you could encourage your child to share their fundraising news with their class teacher.

Aspire

Attached is a copy of the latest Aspire Newsletter for your information.

Year 1 Cake Sale

We are delighted to advise the recent Year 1 Cake sales have raised £210.88 and the children in that year group have decided to buy more books for the classroom bookcases in Year 1.

Karen Salter
Head Teacher

Important dates for your diaries:

March 2017	
9th	Parents Evening 3.30pm-7pm
13th	Nursery Coffee Morning- Red AM at 11am and Red PM at 2.30pm
14th	Nursery Coffee Morning –Blue AM at 11am and Blue PM at 2.30pm
14th	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5pm
15th	Nursery Coffee Morning- Orange 1 at 11am and Orange 2 at 2.30pm
15th-24th	Year 5 to Ufton Court
16th	Nursery Coffee Morning- Green AM at 11am Nursery Coffee Afternoon- Green PM at 2.30pm
16th	Choir & Dance Performance at the Hexagon
24th	Red Nose Day
30th	Year 3 trip to Milestones Museum
31st	Easter Celebration at St Agnes Church for Year 1, 3 and 5 at 10.30am & Year 2, 4 and 6 at 2.00pm. Parents and Carers welcome
April 2017	
3rd	Attendance Award Assemblies for the children
7th	Last day of term school closes at 3.15pm
10th- 21st	Easter holidays
24th	School re-opens- doors open at 8.45am
May 2017	
25th	Year 4 trip to Ufton Court £12.00 Please pay online by 27 th April.
June 2017	
14th	Year 5 trip to Winchester Science Museum £15.00. Please pay online by 17 th May.
21st	Year 1 trip to Sandbanks £13.00. Please pay parental contribution online by 24 th May.
22nd	Year 2 trip to Marwell Zoo £15.00. Please pay parental contribution online by 25 th May.
July 2017	
5th	Year 3 trip to HMS Warrior £15.00. Please pay parental contribution online by 7 th June.
12th	Year 6 trip to Lion King (only for those children whose parents have already paid the £10 deposit) Please pay the remaining £15.00 by 14 th June.