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24th February, 2017

Happy Friday!

Thank you for joining us for our Spring Parent Consultations this week. These are such important evenings for us as this time with you is crucial to strengthening our partnership and I hope you found them helpful. The next opportunity we have to report to you formally is in the end of year reports in July so please do remember that your child's teacher will be very happy to chat with you in the meantime to celebrate the things that are going well and to help with anything you're unsure about.

New dining tables... have arrived, courtesy of our Weymouth House Trust grant, and they look fabulous. It means that our older yellow ones are now redundant and free to a good home. Please make contact with Mr Cox if you would like one, some or all of them.

Website sorted... You may have noticed our website went a bit wonky a couple of weeks ago. Thank you to Peter Baxter for sorting it out – it is now back up and running again.

That's it from me, have a great weekend.

Andy Bowman

Clubs.....

Years 5 & 6 Football Clubs are playing Oldfield Park on Tuesday at Kingswood 3.45- 4.45pm.

Musical Rehearsals 3.30 - 4.15pm

Musical rehearsals begin on Thursday 2nd March and will be held in F7 for the first week and in the hall there after. Please wait at the front of the school for your children Ms Flynn will dismiss the children from side entrance of the reception playground. If for any reason your child is unable to attend at any time, please fill in a pink slip and return to the office. This is very important as there are over 100 children attending this club and we need to account for the whereabouts of all of them. If your child is allowed to walk home, please fill in a green slip and hand it in to the office.

Ms Flood

Message from the PTA....A date for your diaries, the next PTA Disco will be March 10th so please look out for more info and tickets on sale soon!

Can you help?

St Stephen's PTA (Parent Teacher Association) needs a new Treasurer. *Please keep reading – you don't need to be an accountant to qualify!* The PTA does fantastic work to raise thousands of pounds each year for our children. The money raised goes towards projects such as the outdoor stage and the quiet garden. It pays for visiting writers and artists, helps towards school trips, and many other important learning and play activities.

The current Treasurer will be stepping down from her role at the end of July and the PTA urgently needs a new volunteer so that the fundraising can continue. You would need to attend PTA meetings once a term (in the evening, in the pub, so it's really not too much hard work). It would help if you have a good head for numbers, or a bit of book-keeping experience. The outgoing treasurer will be around to teach you the ropes and answer questions.

Like all the PTA roles it's unpaid, but you'd get heaps of gratitude...

For more information please email PTA Chair, Sarah Brooks at sarahlmeyers@hotmail.com



After School Care Club....

Our After School Care Club is running well and proving very popular.

May I take this opportunity to remind you of how you can help us with its smooth running.

Booking forms must be completed termly in advance, with payment being made at the time of booking. Refunds can **only** be given if at least 7 days' notice of absence is given in writing.

Please ensure you pick your child up by **4.30pm** if you booked a 'late pick up' session and by **6pm** for a 'full' session. Late pick up charges will be incurred (£5 per ten minutes).

Although we can accept bookings for occasional extra sessions, this is subject to availability. Any such bookings should be made the week before the place is required, as the registers are made up each Friday for the week ahead.

In exceptional circumstances we may be able to accommodate a late booking or 'ad hoc' request, but this is subject to availability.

We are unable to accept any bookings for children who are not already enrolled in the club. If you wish to enrol your child please complete a registration and booking form but you will need to allow 7 days for this to be processed before your first booking is required.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.
Joanne Goldaniga

Mathletics News...

Congratulations to the following hardworking mathematicians:

Amelia Lay
Kristian Goldaniga
Beatrice Peacock (Silver!)
Izzy Manoli
Jasmine McKinstry
Sofia Baxter
Sophie Gittens
Olivia Lay
Emily Willis
George Willis (Silver!)
Eva Blanchard
Bethan Reynolds
Charlotte Willis
Leo Wakefield
Becky Baxter
Sophia Castro-Harrington (Silver!)
Hal Davies (Silver!)
Seb Day
Jasper Gittens (Silver!)
Charlie Hedger
Babafemi Taiwo
Poppy Tucker
Phoebe Weeks
Freddie Weeks

Diary Dates reminder....

Coming up in March

- 1st- 7th –Book Fair
- 2nd- World Book Day and Dress Up
- 7th- Phonic Check Info Meeting 2.30pm
- 8th – Class 3 to visit Herschel Museum**
- 9th – Class 4 to visit Herschel Museum**
- 10th – PTA Disco**
- 14th-KS1 Assessment Eve 6pm
- 21st-KS2 Sats Eve 6-7pm
- 24th – Rainbow Theatre visit (whole school)**
- 31st -Leave for Newbarn Y4 Residential

***Please note bold entries are new additions to the list.**

Message from Reverend Philip.....

Scruffy Pancake Party -
Sunday 26th February @ 4pm
Our new Fourth Sunday afternoon service, Scruffy Church, is gathering momentum. And as if the wonderful blend of songs, stories, reflection, prayer and simply being together wasn't enough, this month there'll be pancakes, too, in races and on plates.
Come along and experience a new way of belonging to our church/school community. And stuff your face with pancakes.



Love

Courage

Creativity

Joy