

Dinnington First School

Newsletter April 2017

Dear Parents

Welcome to the new school term. This term teachers in all classes will begin to assess the progress that children have made this year. The information gained from these assessments will allow teachers to devise learning programmes for the next academic year.

We also have a number of events after half term and I hope you are able to join us for them.

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance and punctuality for the last week of term and first week of this term are as follows:

Lates

Week Ending	7th April	25
Week Ending	28th April	14

Attendance

Week Ending	Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4
07.04.17	99%	99%	99%	98%	98%
28.04.17	98%	99%	97%	98%	95%

As you can see attendance for these two weeks is very good with all classes achieving 95% or above for both weeks

Nut Allergy

Please remember that one of our children has a severe nut allergy. Parents should not include nuts and any products containing nuts in their child's packed lunch.



Daft as a Brush Fundraising Day

On Thursday 25th May we are having a Daft as a Brush fundraising day. Part of the day will involve children taking part in a 'Dinnington's Got Talent' event.. Children who would like to perform at the event will audition in class and some acts from each class will perform in the hall to the whole school. More information about the event will be sent nearer the time when we have consulted with the children via the school council.

Open Morning and Musical Presentation

Parents are invited to attend our open morning on Wednesday 28th June. The purpose of the morning is to give parents the opportunity to see the school in action. You are invited to view the activities taking place in all areas of the school, including nursery and in particular your child's class. During the course of the morning groups of children will be performing songs and playing tunes on musical instruments. We will send you a detailed timetable for the morning nearer the time.



The parents of children learning to play the violin and clarinet are invited to watch their children perform on Tuesday 13th June at 9:00am. Children learning to play the steel pans will perform for their parents on the same day at 2:40pm



Water Bottles

Thank you to all those who remember to send children in with their water bottles. We would like all of the children to have water bottles every day. Bottles should be made of clear plastic with a sports top and clearly named. They can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £1.50. Replacement tops cost 30p. Please note that only water should be brought to school and not juice.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Thank you to those parents who have sent in Active Kids vouchers. They will no longer be given out by the store after the 2nd of May. Please make sure that any vouchers you have are sent into school shortly after that so that they can be counted prior to collection.

Jewellery and Make Up

Please remember that children are permitted to wear a pair of stud earrings and a watch for school and that no other jewellery, including rings or bracelets should be worn.

Children are not permitted to wear makeup and any child coming to school wearing it will be asked to wash it off.

Big Pedal

Well done to all those children who took part in the 'Big Pedal'. The winning class for our challenge was Year 1 and as a treat they were invited to bring their bikes and scooters to school and ride them in the yard.

Health and Safety

In order to ensure that children are protected from the sun, please ensure that they come to school with high factor sun protection already applied. A sun hat or cap will also provide additional protection. Boots now sell their own brand high factor, once a day cream. Children in nursery and those new to the school will be provided with a school cap.



Children's Cancer Run

We have entered a school team in the Children's Cancer Run which takes place on Sunday 21st May. Those families wishing to take part can register on line at <http://www.childrenscancerrun.co.uk/teams/dinnington-first-school> The closing date for registration is 18th May.

Clubs

A separate letter has been sent to you about clubs this term.

Clubs start at 3:00pm but have different finishing times so please read the information given about the club carefully. All clubs will run for nine weeks and you will be informed if any club is not taking place. The last session for all clubs will take place in the week beginning **3rd July**.

