

West End First School

Newsletter - 1st February 2017



Dear Parents,

Dogs

As a health and safety precaution please could parents who bring dogs to school make sure they are secured well away from the entrance gates. Please also make sure that any mess your dog makes is cleared away as this is a health and safety risk. Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the school grounds, even if they are carried.

Safer Internet day

Tuesday 7th February is national Safer Internet Day. We will be undertaking activities with the children all next week about how to stay safe on line. Please take some time to talk to your child about what he/she has learned about internet safety. Key stages 1 and 2 will also be taking part in E-safety drama workshops after half term, funded by the PTFA.

Writing week

We will be having our annual Writing week in the first week back after half term (**27th February to 3rd March**). As usual we will be revealing the theme of the week by writing a letter to the children. Please can you help us by providing a stamped addressed envelope for your child so that we can post their letter in time for the half term holiday. We will send out more information about Writing week

nearer the time.



PTFA bake sale

The PTFA will be holding a bake sale on **Wednesday 15th February** at 2:45pm. Please watch out for more information on how you can participate.



Packed lunches

We are asking the children to bring home their packed lunch left overs (other than open drinks and yoghurts) so that parents and carers know what their child has and has not eaten each day. We hope this is helpful to you.

School dinners

There was some concern following the last newsletter that the school lunch menu stated that one of the dishes may contain traces of nut. These menus are centrally produced by Dolce, our dinner management company. Please be assured that the dishes which the menu states may contain nuts are only those which may be made using pre-prepared ingredients, e.g. curry paste, and school does not use any of these ingredients - Mrs. Dolby makes her own curry pastes from scratch.

Diary dates

As usual we will up-date you on all school events regularly via newsletters and on the school website at www.westend.northumberland.sch.uk. New dates are always being added, and appear in bold, and you will receive separate letters about trips and special events. **Please check your child's bag every day.**

Thurs 2 nd Feb	Year 1 and 2 parents visiting lessons	9:00am
Thurs 2nd Feb	Gymnastics competition - Gymnastics club	AM
Thurs 2 nd Feb	Reception vision screen catch up	AM
Fri 3 rd Feb	Year 1 parents visiting lessons	9:00am

Tues 7 th Feb	Safer Internet Day	
Tues 7 th Feb	Parent workshop - Handwriting	6:00pm
Thurs 9 th Feb	Parent workshop- Handwriting	9:00am
Mon 13 th Feb	Reception and Year 1 dental survey (information to follow)	
Wed 15 th Feb	Reception classes - Stay and phonics	8:55am
Wed 15 th Feb	Year 1 Beamish trip	
Wed 15 th Feb	Oak class assembly	2:45pm
Thurs 16 th Feb	Year 2 Beatrix Potter day (information to follow)	
Thurs 16 th Feb	Hazel class assembly	9:00am
Thurs 16 th Feb	Cherry class assembly	2:45pm
Mon 27 th Feb to Fri 3 rd Mar	Writing week	
Tues 7 th Mar	KS1 E-safety drama workshops	
Wed 8 th Mar	KS2 E-safety drama workshops	
Thurs 9 th Mar	NSPCC assemblies	
Thurs 9 th Mar	Parent consultations	2:30 - 6:00pm
Tues 14 th Mar	Parent consultations	2:30 - 6:00pm
Wed 22 nd Mar	Poplar class assembly	2:45pm
Fri 24 th Mar	Red Nose Day	
Mon 27 th to Wed 29 th Mar	Year 4 Robinwood residential	
Wed 5 th Apr	Receptions classes - Stay and read	8:55am
Wed 5 th Apr	PTFA Easter disco	
Thurs 6 th Apr	Beech Class assembly	9:00am
Fri 7 th Apr	Willow class assembly	9:00am
Fri 7 th Apr	Reception Fairytale Ball (information to follow)	
Fri 7 th Apr	School closes for Easter holidays	<u>2:00pm</u>



Yours Sincerely,

Mrs J Bushell
Headteacher