



# Newsletter 4<sup>th</sup> September 2015

## New Members of Staff

This term we welcome four new members of staff: Miss Lamb, Miss Thomas, Mrs Croxford and Mrs Stones. The ladies will support children in pre-school and reception.

## Attendance – County Durham Advice for Parents Leaflet

Please read the attached leaflet as fines may be issued if children have 7 or more unauthorised absences.

## Clubs

A club list of clubs and a permission slip is attached to this newsletter. Please complete the slip and return it on Monday. Confirmation slips will be sent out next week. All clubs start week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> September.

## School Uniform

The children have returned to school looking very smart in school uniforms. Thank you for supporting us!

## P.E Kit

All children require a P.E kit. Black plimsolls, black shorts and a red or white t-shirt. P.E kits should be left in school until half term.

## Robinwood

Last term's visit to Robinwood was a huge success. If your child is in Year 4, 5 or 6 and would like to visit Robinwood Friday 8<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2016, please complete and return the form. Y3 will be given the opportunity to go if there are places available. The cost of the weekend is £90 including insurance and transport.

## Rock Climbing Club

Following the Robinwood visit, I have arranged lessons at Meadowfield climbing wall. The sessions will be in three blocks of six (autumn, spring and summer terms). Two members of school staff will take a group of 8 children to the centre ready to start at 3.45 for one hour's climbing. The sessions will take place on a Wednesday after school. The children will work towards achieving a level 1 bouldering certificate. The cost of the lessons are £2 each. I would prefer a block payment of £12 if possible.

## Playtime Snack

Children are encouraged to eat fruit and vegetable snacks at playtime (fresh or dried). If your child likes to bring a snack to school, please ensure they bring fruit or vegetables (for example carrot sticks). Cereal bars and biscuits are not allowed.

<b><u>Dates for the diary</u></b> (subject to changes)	
October 19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Science Week
26 <sup>th</sup> October – 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	School closed for half term <b><i>(reopens on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>)</i></b>
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Reports out to parents
9 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents Evenings
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas concert
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas party
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas party
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol concert
21 <sup>st</sup> December – 4 <sup>th</sup> January	School closed <b><i>(reopens on Monday 4<sup>th</sup>)</i></b>

**After School Clubs**

<b><u>Club</u></b>	<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>For</u></b>
Football	Monday	KS2 (Y3-6)
<b>Outdoor Explorers</b>	<b>Tuesday (until 4pm)</b>	<b>Rec &amp; Y1</b>
High 5 Netball	Tuesday	KS2
Singing	Wednesday	Y2-Y6
Rock Climbing (limited to first 8 children)	Wednesday	KS2 (Y3-6)
<b>Art &amp; Craft</b>	<b>Wednesday (until 4pm)</b>	<b>Rec &amp; Y1</b>
Computers	Wednesday	KS2 (Y3-6)
Recorders	Thursday	Y2-Y5

*\*All clubs finish at 4:15pm unless stated otherwise\**

Please be aware that numbers allowed for the clubs may need to be limited but we will try our best to accommodate as many children as we can.

If you would like your child/children to attend an after school club please complete the slip below and return it to school as soon as possible.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Day</b>

I give my child permission to attend the above club/s and I will pick him/her up at the appropriate time. I will contact school if I have arranged for another adult to collect my child.

I allow .....to walk home on their home **whilst it is light**.

Signed Parent/Carer \_\_\_\_\_

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