

Dear parents,

REMINDER!

Monday 3rd October is a school INSET day. School is closed to pupils.

Please note that Monday's school meal of salmon crunchie and chipped potatoes will be served on **Tuesday 4th October**

Harvest Festival Friday 7th October

Infant pupils may bring in canned foods that will be distributed locally to families in need.

Junior pupils will make a donation envelope in which they can place a donation for Famine Relief.

Presentation for Parents - Reading

We intend running two sessions on **Tuesday 18th October** in the Upper Hall

First Session 3.45 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.

Second Session 6.00p.m. – 7.15 p.m.

A crèche will be available in the Nursery free of charge.

Theme: Helping your child to Read

Miss Penn and Mrs Jones will go through the 'Phonics' introduced to children in Early Years and continued throughout the school. They will also give tips on how to support your child's reading as they progress through the school.

Please try and attend either session as it will benefit you and your child.

There are still some reading books that have not been returned from the summer holidays, we cannot issue more to a child who has not brought them back in.

Big Maths

This year we are introducing 'Big Maths' which focuses on developing children's core number skills. Look out for 'Learn Its' that the children will be bringing home to practice. We will be giving a presentation for Parents in January when we will be fully implementing the 'Big Maths' programme.

Values

During assemblies and personal and social education sessions the children will discuss values education.

"It is our values that determine our thinking and behaviour. They are the principles, fundamental convictions, standards or life stances that act as the general guides to our behaviour. They help us to make decisions and evaluate the actions of others."

Each month we will focus on one value. Our value of the month for October is "Respect"

Please support the school by discussing this within the family too.

Midday Supervisor Vacancy

Owing to growing numbers in the school we have a vacancy for a midday supervisor for 1 hour a day 12.25 – 1.25. We also need relief staff in times of illness. For further information please contact the school office.

Lost Property

We already have piles mounting up. PLEASE LABEL ALL YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING, BAGS, PACKED LUNCH BOXES etc.

E-Mails

Please make sure we have your up to date e-mail address.

All future newsletters will be sent by e-mail and will also be available on our website.

If you require a hard copy please contact the school office.

Parking Problems

Parents have reported concerns about the numbers of cars using the Masonic Hall car park and back lane at the start and end of the day.

The car park does not belong to the school and realistically parents should not be parking in that area.

The governing body have had several meetings with highways representatives about the back lane and general parking issues. They continue to work to resolve the problem.

May we suggest that all pedestrians use the front gate, rather than the narrow lane behind the school. Please park well away from the school and walk your children in.

Please read the request from Mrs Regan our Lollypop Lady who finds her job very difficult and dangerous.

“Would parents and guardians NOT park by the Green Cones (which reinforce the existing parking restrictions in operation between 8.00 am and 6.00pm) or on the Zig-Zags please!

This request is totally in the interest of the children's safety.

If this request is not met, then I am afraid I will have to take Registration numbers and report them.

Thank you for your cooperation.”

Mrs Regan

We all need to work together for the safety of all the children and adults in our school community.

T Taylor
Head Teacher