



November Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

This is a busy second half term which seems to get busier every year and you can see that we are already thinking about our Christmas plays. If you are unable to attend a specific performance then please speak to your class teacher as you might be able to attend one of our dress rehearsals.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

December 6th Reception classes 9:30am

December 9th Year One classes 9:30am

December 12th Year Two classes 2pm

December 13th Year One classes 2pm

December 13th Year Two classes 5:30pm

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The children will have their Christmas lunch on Thursday 15th December. The children's Christmas parties will be on the 16th December.

GOODBYE

We will be saying goodbye to Sam on Friday. She has worked in the office for nearly five years and she has been a real asset for our school. We wish her all the best in her new job!

NEW ARRIVAL

Mrs Ward is expecting her first child and will be leaving at the February half term. We will keep you informed when we have appointed a teacher for her maternity cover.

IMPORTANT REMINDER - HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

The revised education act now states that the discretionary 10 days holidays in term time has been **removed**. Therefore any holidays in term time will be coded as unauthorised.

SCHOOL CLOSURE (DUE TO BAD WEATHER OR OTHER EMERGENCIES)

If the school needs to close for any reason, procedures are in place for information to reach you via local radio, school answer phone and text if possible. Any decision to close school is not taken lightly and is done in consultation with our campus schools, taking into account advice available at the time.

Norfolk County Council offers an option for you to sign up to receive alerts by text message or email whenever our school is closed.

To sign up for alerts or find out more, visit: www.norfolk.gov.uk/disruptions

FREE SCHOOL MEALS and PUPIL PREMIUM

All children are entitled to free school meals. **However if you are in receipt of benefits then please ask the office to give you a pupil premium form.** By filling this in, the school will receive extra money which will be spent on enrichment activities for the children - for example Sheringham little theatre visit, hire of busses to go to Strangers hall etc.

If you need help in filling in the forms please contact the office. - any applications will be treated in the strictest confidence.

SCHOOL OFFICE

You can email the school office directly at: office@suffieldpark.norfolk.sch.uk



REMINDERS

Please bring a coat to school now that it's colder (labelled with name & class and in possession of a LOOP for hanging!).

LOST PROPERTY

Please make sure that all uniform is clearly named - it can often take a lot of time to try and match jumpers and children. (This also applies to shoes and lunchboxes!). Our lost property box is currently overflowing.

SICKNESS/DIARRHOEA

At this time of year there are a lot of bugs going around. Please ensure that you keep your child at home if they are unwell.

- Please telephone the school on the first day of any sickness absence to enable us to authorise the absence.
- If a child has sickness or diarrhoea they should remain off school for **48 HOURS** (if your child is over 5) or **72 HOURS** (if your child is under 5) **AFTER** it has stopped.

CONTACT DETAILS



Please make sure that you inform the office of any changes to email addresses or contact numbers immediately, so that we can contact you in case of any emergency. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our Christmas Fair will be held after school at 3:30 on the 2nd December.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Our school council members for this year are:

- Blue Class - Jayden and Evelyn**
- Green Class - Madalena and Oliver**
- Indigo Class - Dylan and Molly**

- Red Class - Imogen and Tom**
- Silver Class - Darcy and Harry**
- Gold Class - Daisy and Nathan**
- Rainbow Class - Jake and George**

P.E. AND JEWELLERY

Please can we remind you to remove your child's earrings on the days they participate in P.E. This includes after sports club. We ask only for small 'stud' earrings to be worn, no other styles please as loops often get caught and can rip the ear.

NELSON'S JOURNEY

Our chosen charity for the year is Nelson's Journey.

Nelson's Journey is a charity dedicated to supporting bereaved children and young people throughout Norfolk.

They are based in Norwich and were founded in 1997.

Nelson's Journey has helped thousands of children between the ages of 0-17, who have experienced the death of a significant person in their life - for example a parent or sibling.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCEY

We currently have one parent governor vacancy. Please see the separate letter.

Jacqueline Bradford
Head teacher