



# NEWSLETTER

DATE October 2018

## UP COMING DATES

- 19<sup>th</sup> Oct:** Harvest Festival (pupils only)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct:** Parent coffee morning 9:15
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct:** Parent's Evening 3:30-6:30
- 24<sup>th</sup> Oct:** Parent's Evening 3:30-5:30
- 26<sup>th</sup> Oct:** INSET Day
- 6<sup>th</sup> Nov:** School Disco (times vary)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Y6 Crucial Crew
- 26<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Chapel Visit (pupils only)
- 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Robinwood Residential
- 1<sup>st</sup> Dec:** KSI Christmas Production (9:30 and 2:30 showings)
- 12<sup>th</sup> Dec:** KS2 Christmas Production (9:30 and 1:45 showings)
- 13<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Nursery and Reception Nativity (11:00 and 2:45 showings)
- 14<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Pantomime in School (PM)
- 17<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Choir - Woodhall Flats
- 19<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
- 19<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Christmas Fayre 3:30
- 20<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Class Christmas Parties
- 21<sup>st</sup> Dec:** INSET Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> Jan:** INSET Day

## OPAD Parent Partners

We are wanting to recruit a team of parents to support us with organising and running enrichment and fund raising events in school. We already have one or two volunteers who do this on a regular basis but it would be nice to add to our numbers.

We also need some volunteers to help to develop our outdoor learning environment.

Therefore we invite you to attend a coffee morning to discuss ideas for this group and how it could work effectively.

**Please join Mrs Jackson on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 9:15 for coffee, biscuits and a chat.**

*If you are interested but unable to make this date, please catch Mrs Jackson on the gate.*

## Attendance

Attendance for this academic year so far is a disappointing 94.7%. This is significantly below our Academy target of 97%.

Whilst we appreciate the financial benefits of going on holiday in term time, we urge you to avoid taking your children out of school where avoidable. A one-week holiday equates to 1,500 minutes of missed learning time and can have a detrimental effect on your child's progress and attainment. We will pass on information about holidays in term time to the local authority and fines may be processed as a result of this.

## Rewarding Good Attendance

Every class that achieves 97% or above for the week has a roll of the dice on our OPADOPOLY board. This earns them a reward for the entire class such as Ipad time, story time or arts and crafts time. The class that earns the most turns on OPADOPOLY each half term will earn a movie and popcorn afternoon for their class. If a class receives 100% for the entire week, they will automatically receive an additional play time.

Any individual pupil achieving 100% attendance for the half term will receive a certificate and a small treat.

Any individual pupil achieving 100% attendance for the full term will receive a certificate and a prize.

Any individual pupil achieving 100% for the entire year will be rewarded with a mystery visit.

For every child achieving above 97% for each half term, names will be entered in to a prize draw / raffle and two lucky winners will receive a £20 high street voucher.



Don't forget to continue ticking off challenges on your #OPADReading challenge. I have a huge box of books just waiting to be claimed!



Our school meals team is working hard to encourage children to eat healthy, balanced meals. Please encourage your child to have a school meal as often as possible.



We will be developing our outdoor learning environment over the next term. We would be grateful for any donations of resources to support with this. Please see Mrs Schofield for more information.