Holywell News 3



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Reminders:

To ensure the health and safety of everyone:

- Dogs are not permitted on school grounds.
- Please push bikes or scooters whilst on the year to prevent accidents.
- Children line up from 8.55am each day and are taken into school by their class teacher. Children are to be left in the care of their teacher on the yard (except Reception and Nursery pupils who may be accompanied to their class).

NEWS

Happy New Year!

...... Well, as you all know, it has <u>not</u> been the easiest start to the new year within school!

We are continuing to try and make the best of our current situation; burst water pipes and leak detection work happening in school as we speak.

The children have been brilliant and coped exceptionally well so far with the reduced temperatures within school. We have stand alone radiators and fan heaters in each classroom which is helping to keep them warm. It is communal areas of school (corridors, hall, toilets) that are very cold, especially as temperatures have dropped in the past couple of days.

Thank you for your continued support; some lovely messages of appreciation of our efforts have been received into school, thank you!

Important Dates:

13.01.17—Nursery resumes after closure at Astley Park Pavilion

20.01.17—Non Uniform (Bring a bottle)

09.02.17—Year 4 class assembly

16.02.17—Year 2 class assembly

17.02.17—School closes for half-term

24.02.17—Teacher Training Day

27.02.17—School resumes for the children

16.03.17—Year 3 class assembly

23.03.17—Year 1 class assembly

07.04.17—School closes for Easter holiday

24.04.17—Teacher Training Day

25.04.17—School resumes for the children

01.05.17—SCHOOL CLOSED—May Day

26.05.17—School closes for Half-term holiday

05.06.17—School resumes for the children

21.07.17—School closes for Summer

04.09.17—Teacher Training Day

05.09.17—School resumes for the children

Stars of the Week

W/E 13.12.17

All pupils and staff—this week has been very hard but everyone has kept smiling and pulled together.

Polite reminder:

Jewellery is not permitted to be worn in school. We have an increasing number of children wearing earrings, which is in contravention of school policy. The school policy on jewellery states that the children may wear a watch only.

Please also note that nail varnish is not permitted to be worn for school either—we would ask that this is kept for weekends only and removed before school each Monday.

Warm Clothing

Please ensure your child has a hat, scarf, gloves and warm winter coat every day. Due to the reduced temperatures in school, it is important we keep the children as warm as possible whilst outside. We will endeavour to get the children outside for playtime whenever possible.

After School Clubs

As yet we remain unsure of which clubs will be able to go ahead next week, we will know more on Monday. Please check phones regularly for messages regarding this.

NEWS:

We are thrilled to be able to welcome Nursery children back from Monday, albeit to a different site.

Nursery will be temporarily housed within Astley Park Pavilion until school is repaired.

Thanks must go to Valerie Ellis for her help in arranging the availability of the pavilion for us and for being so helpful in a crisis.

At present we intend to try and keep main school open as long as possible, however it is almost inevitable that we will have to close at some point. Rest assured that any closure will be for the shortest time possible and with as much notice to parents/carers as possible.

Thank you to those who have returned the Laing Gallery visit permission slips and contributions, we really appreciate your support. If you have not returned your child's permission slip, please do so before 18th January.



Our burst pipes have caused water to fill the underfloor pipework ducts this is beside the main entrance.

School Meals from 16.01.17: WEEK 3

Important:

Please note that whilst videos are no longer permitted to be taken during assemblies, under certain circumstances photographs are. Therefore please ensure that you have completed and returned your SIGNED permissions letter, stating who is permitted to photograph your child after performances and assemblies.

We are looking for parents/grandparents who have time each week to come into school and help our children look after our small on-site allotment.

They will need to be able to plan and help the children plant and grow flowers and produce throughout the coming year(s). Please contact the school office if you are interested. Any commitment of help is appreciated.

ALERT!! ALERT!! ALERT!!

Date for your diary—Friday 3rd

February—art gallery in school—more information to follow!

School App-Please download and check for updates regularly.



Now more than ever our school App will be of use as it will continue to be updated daily with immediate notifications sent of any changes within school.

The app contains everything you would expect in a mobile phone app. There is also a function to allow users to register on the app.

To register, please click on the cog in the top right corner of the app. The unique school code for the school is 8764.

You will be asked to put in an email address so we can verify you. When you have registered you will be able to select your preferences, choosing the year groups from which you wish to receive notifications. You can choose more than one preference.