

Weekly Newsletter



Friday 13th January 2017

E-Safety: Do you know who your children are speaking to online?

We have dealt with two incidents this week related to children's behavior online at home and unfortunately, these are not the first incidents that we have had to deal with or report.

Cyber bullying is now a real threat to the mental health of young people and you as parents need to be **vigilant** to these dangers.

Children have been making unkind comments using social media forums such as facebook, instagram, play station network, and at times WhatsApp.

There has also been a threatening approach made by a stranger via instagram.

We request that you check your child's online activities on a regular basis.

Are you aware that children are not permitted to have social media accounts such as facebook or instagram until they are 13 years? We would strongly advise you to shut down these accounts if your children have them.

The 'Think you know' website has advice for young people to help them keep safe on line, while having fun. Please visit the website at www.thinkuknow.co.uk and discuss this with your child.



Warm Welcome to.....

Susan Davies, a new member of the schools senior leadership team. We are very fortunate to have Sue join us. She is extremely experienced having taught for 25 years, and has particular specialism in analysis of assessment information.

Sue will be joining us as Lead for Pupil Premium children. She has a wealth of experience in this area having visited schools across the country to help review provision for children. In her former role she schools with advice about interventions to accelerate children's learning. You will see her at the school gates each day.

Sue is very keen to make sure your children are reading at home every day – so make sure your children are bringing their book bags to school – as she may ask them where they are.

Year 1 Phonics Workshop

A repeat of the Year 1 phonics workshop will be held for parents on Tuesday 24th January at 9 am. If you did not attend the last workshop we strongly advise you to attend. Individual invitations will be sent to parents whose children need additional support to reach the standard of the test.

Thought for the week TODAY

Will never come again.

Be a friend, be a blessing.

Take time to care.

Encourage someone.

Let your words heal and not wound.



Dates for your DIARY!!!!



SPRING TERM

Half Term Monday 13th February

Friday 17th February

Finish for Easter Friday 31st March 2017 2pm

SUMMER TERM

Start Wednesday 19th April 2017

May Day 1st May (No School)

Half Term Monday 29th May

Friday 2nd June

Finish Friday 21st July 2017 2pm

Key Events

16th January Martin Luther King Day

Inclusion Quality Mark Review

17th January Disability Awareness Day

Week starting Parent meetings for

27th February children with additional needs

3rd March World Book Day (Costumes at

the ready please!)

Week Starting

20th March

Science Week

24th March Red Nose Day

28th March 11 am KS1 and Reception Awards

Assembly

29th March 11 am KS2 Awards Assembly

30th March 1:45 Talent show

Do you need child care during the half term holiday?

Is your child bored during the holidays?

This could be the solution for you. We are hoping to host a holiday club for children. This will be held at school during the February half term. The club will be run by Totstars who we currently employ to teach PE during school time.

If you are interested in this club please contact the provider directly. See information below.

