



Duke Street Primary School

Newsletter 4

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Meet the Teacher Night

Thank you to those of you who were able to make the meeting last night. We had some very positive feedback suggesting you found it useful and informative.

PTFA meeting: Thursday 4th October



There is a PTFA meeting at 3.30pm on Thursday 4th October in the staffroom to discuss fundraising and social events. All parents and staff are welcome and there will be a selection of refreshments available.

Lost Property

Lost property is accumulating already in school. It will be put out on the wall near the picnic area for you to peruse and retrieve items, before being recycled.

Lynda and Ali

We say a fond "Goodbye" to two of our welfare assistants tomorrow. Lynda Kenyon and Ali Rourke have been with us for many years, Lynda starting back in 2001. They leave us to focus on their family cake business *Sweet Creations*. Thank you both for your long service to the school. With still having children at the school, it's not a really complete goodbye though, but you will be missed as colleagues. Their hours will be covered by existing members of school staff.

Jeans for Genes Day:

Thank you for support of the charity Jeans for Genes, we raised £279.40

P.G.L. Meeting re September 2019 Trip: Wed 3rd Oct

*A reminder that we are looking to arrange another PGL trip for September 2019 and that in the first instance, we are just offering places to current Year 5 children. To find out more about what the trip is all about, we are having a meeting in school at **6.00 pm on Wednesday 3rd October**. Please indicate your intention to attend this meeting and /or interest in your child going on the trip by tomorrow **Friday 28th September**.*



There is an assembly presented by the children from this year's trip at 9.10 am tomorrow morning, Friday 28th September, and parents of children who went, or would like to go next year are invited to attend to get a flavour of what the trip was like.

P.T.O.



Attendance

The class who had the highest attendance from Friday, 14th September to Thursday, 20th September was Rose class with 98.9%. Well done to Miss Zawistowicz's class.



Reading At Home

Spruce: **70%**. Maple: **67%**. Kiwi: **60%**. Poplar: **59%**. Acer: **55%**. Willow: **54%**. Cherry: **53%**. Rowan: **52%**. Redwood: **50%**. Sycamore: **41%**. Well done readers in Miss Sharman's class.

End of School Day

It would be really helpful if parents waiting for Year 3 and 4 children coming out of school, at the canopy door, waited as far back to the annexe or even on the main part of the playground, to give as wide a passageway out of the school gates as possible. With over 500 people leaving the premises, it is bound to be congested but with thought and consideration for others and patience, we can minimize delays. Thank you for your anticipated assistance with this.

We would also ask that parents do NOT attempt to enter the school building at the end of the school day through the children's exits. Parents should only enter school through the main entrance at the front of the school to the school office. If you wish to speak to a teacher or to Mrs Nicholls in a morning, please do so via the office reception.

Plastic Bottles

To mark Remembrance Day this year we would like to create a piece of artwork that all the school can get involved with. It is recreating the amazing display of the sea of poppies that were displayed at Windsor Castle. This will involve acrylic paint (weather proof) and LOTS of plastic bottles. Can you please save your empty plastic bottles? The more we have the better and more effective we can make the display.



Volunteer Readers



Any parent / grandparent wanting to volunteer to help in classes / listen to readers to please contact Mrs Nicholls or Miss Parkinson.

Music Club

Due to the high interest in Mr Stott's Music Club, it is going to be split into two sessions, the first will be for Key Stage 1 children and will begin next Tuesday, 2nd October after school. The club for children in Key Stage 2 will begin after Christmas. We will send you a reminder nearer the time. All children who expressed interest have secured a place in the music club.



Yours sincerely

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Mr A Kidd (HEADTEACHER)