



SIR ALEXANDER FLEMING PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 2

8/05/2018

Dates for your diary...

May

Bank Holiday: 7th May

Year 3/4 Kingswood Visit

Year 2 SATS (any time in May)

Year 6 SATS: WC: 14th May

Right Royal Knees Up: 17 May

The Little Princess Panto: 25 May

June

Race For Life TBA

Sports Days TBA

Nursery and Reception:

Key Stage One:

Key Stage Two:

Alexander Fleming Mile

July

Open evening for parents

Tuesday 17th July

Annual reports to parents

Monday 16th July

End of term: Friday 20th July @ 1.30pm

MEET MONTY

Monty is our anti-bullying monkey. Last week he visited our assembly and met children on the playground. He is there for when children might need to talk. He also has an email address for children to write to if they need to talk.



Montythe.Monkey@taw.org.uk

Our school vision is: **Motivate—Educate— Facilitate** What does that mean?

We are a very caring and nurturing school that likes to celebrate the achievements and goals of children and adults, at every level. Our school is driven by enthusiasm, passion and a desire to be the best we can be. We bring learning alive by offering a broad, balanced, vibrant and creative school curriculum, making it exciting and stimulating. We encourage our children to foster a thirst for learning that we hope continues with them forever throughout their future lives and experiences in the wider world. One of our core values is that education is for everybody; children, parents, staff, Governors and the wider community. To achieve all of this we depend on your co-operation, understanding and support; we value our parent partnerships immensely. We all have one goal and that is hoping that together we can provide the best for all of our children. We are honoured to be an inclusive primary school, bringing together children from a range of social, economic and ethnic backgrounds; creating a diverse learning community. Staff and Governors are passionately committed to the care, welfare and progress of all pupils, whatever their abilities. I am confident that with our talented team of teaching and non-teaching staff we can provide your child with the very best start to their journey through education. We are proud of our children's successes and our school's ability to enable pupils to make rapid progress during their time with us.

RIGHT ROYAL KNEES UP!

In order to celebrate the upcoming Royal Wedding, we are having a Right Royal Knees Up!

On Thursday 17 May, all children are invited to come to school dressed in red, white or blue, or as Princes or Princesses. We will be having a buffet lunch served from our own kitchen and each class will have parties in their classes in the afternoon. If children have a school buffet, then they will also receive a crown or tiara.

HOUSE POINTS

After 3 weeks, the House points are:

CLIVE: 882

RODDAM: 759

DARWIN: 702

WEBB: 696

The House with the most points so far is...



CLIVE



BREAKFAST CLUB

Opens from 7.30 every morning. Children are provided with a nutritional breakfast and fun activities.

If you would like to book a place for your child or children, then please see Mrs Pilgrim; children will not be allowed to Breakfast Club without pre-booking. The cost is £1.50 per session.

ATTENDANCE

We monitor all children's attendance very closely; if children drop below 97%, then it causes a concern for us. Each class competes against each other to win the attendance each week. If children are late, then the class are unable to win. Last week, the class with the best attendance was:

**Year 6 Mr Gerrie
98.33%**

PE KIT

PE activities will now be taking place outside (weather permitting). Please ensure that you send your child to school with the correct, appropriate PE kit; this should be a plain white tshirt, black shorts (black leggings can be worn for PE only) and trainers that do not fall off. As a school we have a limited number of spare PE kit and no spare trainers. It is your responsibility to make sure your child has their kit in school all week.

FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Our school library has recently had a revamp and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our 'Friends of School' for purchasing us £1000 worth of new fiction books.

Children now have to sign the books out of the library and a list is created and checked by our new librarian, Mrs Allcott.

If a book is lost, damaged or not returned then there will be a library fine of £3.00.

Please help us to keep our library well stocked and well looked after.

PARENT GOVERNOR

On Wednesday 9th May, our parent governor, Emma Gilbert is going to be on the playground between 8.30 and 9.00am.

Please come along and speak to her about how you feel about our school.



We also have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested please complete the form sent home last week.

Safeguarding

"Sir Alexander Fleming Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment".

Designated Safeguarding Leads



Mrs Tomlinson



Miss Hullin



Miss Hensley

Keeping you safe!

All adults in our school place the highest priority on safeguarding children. To make sure all students are safe, we need the support of all staff, parents, visitors and our community. If you have any concerns or worries about your safety or the safety of a child at home or at school, then please tell someone immediately. Do not keep worries to yourself, we are here to support all of you. Talk to us and together we can keep you all safe. The staff members shown above are your Designated Safeguarding Team at Sir Alexander Fleming Primary School.

SATS

Next week you will start to sit your SATs tests for maths, reading and SPaG. We know how hard you have worked this year, but there is something very important you should know. The SATs do not assess all of what makes each of you unique and special. The people who create these tests and score them do not know each of you the way we do and certainly not in the way your families do.

They do not know that some of you speak two languages or that you love to sing or draw. They have not seen your natural talent for football, dancing or playing a musical instrument. They do not know that your friends can count on you to be there for them; that your laughter can brighten the darkest day or that your face turns red when you feel shy. They do not know that you participate in sports, wonder about the future or sometimes help your little brother or sister after school. They do not know that you are kind, trustworthy and thoughtful and that every day you try to do your very best.

The levels you will get from this test will tell you something, but they will not tell you everything. There are many ways of being smart. You are smart! Remember, we think that you are amazing and awesome!

Sleep, rest, believe, have fun this weekend coming!!

LOST PROPERTY

Please check that you have put your child's name in all of their clothes; our lost property box is always overflowing and it is extremely difficult to locate an unnamed item of clothing.

Lost property is located in the PE hall; please ask a member of staff to take you there. Every Friday, Mr Cutting will put out all of the lost property in the hall. Obviously, we are unable to store it, so it will be thrown away each half

As always, thank you for your continued support and understanding
Mrs Tomlinson

Acting Headteacher

