



SIR ALEXANDER FLEMING PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 1

4/09/2018

Dates for your diary...

September

Tuesday 4th school resumes
Wednesday 10th Harvest festival
WC: Monday 15th Parent meetings

October

Thursday 25th Children finish for Half term
Friday 26th PD day

These dates are subject to change and there will be more added as the term progresses.

READING

This year we are having a real focus on reading and children reading at home in particular.

Children will have a home/school communication book that the teacher will record their reading comments in. The teachers will give questions, prompts, sounds to practise as well as your child's spelling list for that week.

Every Wednesday morning for KS1 and Friday morning for KS2 **8.30-9.00**, we would like parents to come into school and read with their child / children in class. It will provide you with an opportunity to listen to your child read.

Parents that attend will be given a raffle ticket that will go into a half termly prize draw.

We are also looking to have a 'book company' come to school every half term so that you can buy books for your little readers.

Welcome to the start of the Autumn Term 2018.

It was such a pleasure to see the children returning to school this morning, and they were all very excited to be starting in their new year groups and classes, as were the teachers.

I am sure it will not be long before the children and staff are fully settled into their routines. The staff will be sending out class newsletters to keep you informed of the children's curriculum, P.E. days, planned activities and visits. It promises to be a very busy and exciting term.

A reminder that all of the children in KS1 and KS2 can access the school at 8.30am and go straight into class ready for Registration. This has worked really well since Tuesday morning - well done children and parents.

NEW STARTERS

We extend a very special welcome to all of our new entrants in the Reception classes, and we all appreciate that starting school for the first time is a very special milestone for children and their parents.

Miss Hullin, Mrs Casswell and all of the Early Years team are delighted that the children have made such a positive and happy start in their new classes.

HOUSE POINTS

At the end of the Summer term we calculated the house points and the winning house was....



CLIVE

Well done!



ATTENDANCE

We monitor all children's attendance very closely; if children drop below 97%, then it causes a concern for us. Please ensure children come to school everyday. If they are poorly and need to stay at home, then please contact the school office daily before 9.30am.

TOAST

Children in KS1 and KS2 can purchase a piece of toast at playtime everyday for 10p. Reception children can purchase toast on a Wednesday.

BREAKFAST CLUB / AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Breakfast Club has started this morning and it opens from 7.30am. Children are provided with a nutritional breakfast and activities as well as a chance to complete any homework. 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. There is also an 'after school' provision; please see Mrs Pilgrim.

Staffing

There have been a few changes to the Leadership Team for the start of this academic year.

Miss Hullin continues in the role of Acting Deputy Headteacher

Mrs North continues in her role as Acting Assistant Headteacher

Mr Gerrie and Miss Reese now take up their positions on the SLT.

Mrs O'Reilly and Miss Walters begin their career development as part of the Middle Management Team

Mrs Pigg takes up the position of SENDCO and Mrs O'Donnell will be working with us full time.

Mr Craig Wilkinson, Miss Hannah Dornan, Miss Tayla Pound and Miss Lauren Jones formally join our teaching team.

The strengths, skills and experience across all of the school teams are significant and we are confident that all of your children will thrive with such strength of provision throughout 2018-2019.

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.

Mr Gerrie, Miss Reese and Mrs O'Donnell will soon be joining the DSL team.

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 t-shirt, 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.

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 I'm sure you can appreciate how extremely difficult it is 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 term.

WE WON THE DUCK!!!



I'm looking forward to a fantastic year; if you have any queries, questions or ideas, please arrange a meeting with me!

Mrs Tomlinson

Acting Headteacher

