



17<sup>th</sup> February 2017

#### **Half Term**

I cannot believe we are half way through the school year. I hope that after half term when you come to parents evening you are impressed by how much progress the children have made this academic year. The children have been working incredibly hard and each year group is doing some amazing work. Thank you for all your support with reading and spellings. The work you do with them is key to their success. Reading and spelling in particular need a lot of practice, in school we can teach the skills but we do need your help with practicing these skills.

If you would like to make any comments on our new behaviour policy there is still time. The policy is on the school website and comments can be handed into your child's teacher or the school office after half term.

Thank you also to those of you who came along to the expansion consultation. The consultation is now closed and I will let you know as soon as we have any further information.

I would also like to say a very big congratulations to Mrs Trevaskis and her husband who are expecting their first baby in the summer. Mrs Trevaskis has not decided an exact date for going on maternity leave but when she does Elephant class will be covered by Mrs Brown who is returning from her maternity leave after Easter.

I hope you all have a lovely half term.

Matt Greenhalgh

Headteacher

# **Upcoming Events**

#### 17 February 2017

3.15pm End of Term

5.15-6.15pm FoBS Infant Disco

#### 27 February 2017

8.45am Start of Term

#### 1 March 2017

4-6pm Parents Evening

#### 2 March 2017

4-7pm Parents Evening

#### 8 March 2017

2.45pm Zebra Class Assembly

#### 10 March 2017

9.30-10.30am Parents in to watch Creative Writing

3.15pm FoBS Cake Sale in Hall

#### 11 March 2017

FoBS – Race Night

#### 15 March 2017

2.45pm Elephant Class Assembly

#### 22 March 2017

2.45pm Penguin Class Assembly

#### 24 March 2017

Red Nose Day – children to dress up 12-1pm Mother's Day Lunch 3pm Red Nose Day – Cake Sale

#### 29 March 2017

2.45pm Tiger Class Assembly

## **E-Safety Day**

E-Safety Day was a great success. Thank you for taking the time to dress your children up as superheroes. While the dressing up was a bit of fun it really helped the children focus on the messages we were promoting on the day.

All of the children could talk about how to stay safe when using a computer and when on the internet. This important message will only stick with regular reminders. If your child is using a computer, tablet or phone over the half term it would be great if you could remind them about how to stay safe, or see how much they remember from the day.

If you have any questions or want some advice please do come and talk to your child's teacher or you can either go to nspcc.org.uk/O2 to find a lot of useful information or phone 0808 800 5002 to have someone talk through with you how to do different things to keep your children safe while online.



After half term we will be selling Red Noses from the school office. We have a limited amount and once they are all gone we are unable to get any more. If you would like to get one please come into the school office.

Red Nose Day this year is on the 24<sup>th</sup> March. For Red Nose Day we will be raising money by asking the children to dress up as one of the nose characters. The Red Noses this year are Nose-it-all, the all-knowing owl, the Viking Norse Nose, Snootankhamun from ancient Sneezegypt, Snuffles the dragon, DJ Boogie, Dr. Nose, The Snorcerer, Sneezecake the chef, Sniffer the dog and the rarest and scariest Nose of all, Frankinose!



### **Stars of the Week**

3rd February
Jeremy
Nowik
Joshua
Gould
Jorja Hilton
Jared
Tabafa
Katy Hallam
Evie French

10<sup>th</sup> February
Archie Hunt
Iulian Adam
Shayla Bodker
Abbey
Pennington
Tommy Keet
Mason Harvey

Amy-Jayne
Hannan Hope
Wynters
Nellie Murphy
Parker Catt
Morgan
Dormer
Amelia-Rose
Edney

### **Car Parking**

Can we ask that all parents take care when dropping off and collecting children. There are a lot of children around at these very busy times and we would not want any child to get hurt.

Budds Lane in particular gets very busy and unsafe parking could cause an accident.

Please can we ask that you park carefully and not on the pavements where children are walking. Young children do not think about cars on roads and definitely not cars pulling up onto pavements to park.

# **Breakfast and Afterschool Club**

We still have some spaces every day for both Breakfast and Afterschool Club. Both clubs are run by our school staff and are great fun for the children. If you would like your child to start coming to either of these clubs please just pop into the school office or give us a ring.

Breakfast club starts from 8am and we provide the children with breakfast and offer a range of activities for £3 a morning.

Afterschool club runs to 5:10pm every day and costs £5. The children do a range of craft activities, inside and outside play or even read with staff if you would like them to. A snack and drink are also provided.

# **School Library**

The School Library is open for parents and children to use every day from 8:30am until 8:50am.

If you would like to come and take out a library book for your child, or a younger sibling, then please do.

The library will have a member of staff on hand to help you scan out books or scan in new books. Even if you don't want to take a book out it is a great place to sit and read with your child before school.

The library is along the path between the Year R playground and the Year 1 classes.