



Newsletter No: 17

11th January 2019

Weekly Merit Certificates



Butterflies: Blake
Dragonflies: Whole Class

Fireflies: Zachary & Olivia
Ladybirds: Robert & Brandan

Dear Parents,

Our first full week back at school has been full of exciting immersive learning. The children have been experiencing their 'sparkling start' to the topic and have shown great enthusiasm for learning. The aim of the sparkling start is to 'hook' the children into the theme. Teachers work together across the schools to decide what to do and try to vary approaches with each theme. Today the Year 5 and 6 children from each school have come together for a day focussed on fair trade and sustainability. Kevin Holland (the solar shed) has talked to the children about renewable energy. Sandra Squire is embarking on another water adventure and it will be the first eco-friendly canoe used to navigate the sea and she has shared part of the boat with the children. An excellent day of learning!

As a senior leadership team, we have been reviewing attendance from last term. Generally this is good in our school. Teachers will be discussing attendance with parents at the progress meetings this term and some of you may have received a telephone call from Mrs Clarkstone. This is meant to be a supportive process and provides an opportunity to discuss your child's needs and any concerns you may have regarding their health/absence. If you have any concerns about your child please do come in and talk to us.

Miss Hayes and Mrs Arrowsmith
Heads of School

Next Week...

Orange Week for Pupil Progress Meetings

Mon – Friends of the School Film Night

Tues – Ladybirds NOT Swimming

Wed – Benjamin and Bethany Talk for Butterflies

Fri – Ladybirds DT and Art Morning at KLA

My Child's Art

Thank you to all who ordered from My Childs Art we hope you were all happy with the company and your purchases. Your orders have raised a **£87.06** for St Germans Academy.



Celebration Board

Congratulations to Amber-Lily who has been awarded the Swim England Level 1 Learn to Swim Award. **Well Done Amber Lily.**

Congratulations!

Please remember to let us know if you've done something worth celebrating so that we can put it up on our board in the Reception Area.



Ladybirds Swimming

Due to a swimming gala at Alive St James Pool there will be NO SWIMMING for the Ladybirds Class on Tuesday 15th January.

Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our children. We have reminded all our children about our procedures for the end of the school day including those children who are in after school clubs. We have stressed the importance of them letting the adult from their class know when they see their parent on the playground at the end of the day. Please help us by coming on to the playground and making yourself visible to the adults. Now the evenings are so dark the children in after school club will stay inside the office door until their parent has been seen on the playground and collected them. If for any reason someone different is picking up your child(ren) please follow our usual procedures in letting the school office or class teacher know. Thank you for your continued support.

Friends of the School

On Monday 14th January the Friends of the School are having a film night, watching Hotel Transylvania 3. If you have not bought tickets yet they are available from the school office and cost £2.50 per ticket.



Then we have the Valentine Disco on Thursday 14th February, letters for the disco will be out soon.

Flu Immunisation

We have been informed that the Flu Immunisation Team will not be returning to school for the catch – up session. All those children who did not have the Flu Nasal Spray in December have a letter in their book bag today with information on who to contact should you wish your child to have the nasal spray. Please see the school office if your child does not give you this information and you want them to have the Flu nasal spray.



Deadline Date

Please note the deadline date to apply for a reception class place is Tuesday 15th January. Please go to admissions@norfolk.gov.uk if you have not already applied for a place. This is for children who will be 5 years old between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020.



Parents as Partners

Diary Dates:

January 2019

Ladybirds swimming this half term on Tuesdays starting 8th January

- Mon 14th ~ Shine Time Session for selected pupils
- Mon 14th ~ Friends of the School Film Night - Hotel Transylvania 3
- Tues 15th ~ NO SWIMMING this week for Ladybirds
- Tues 15th ~ Deadline to apply for School Reception Class Place
- Wed 16th ~ Benjamin and Bethany talk for Butterflies
- Fri 18th ~ Ladybirds DT and Art Morning at KLA
- Mon 21st ~ Shine Time Session for selected pupils
- Mon 28th ~ Shine Time Session for selected pupils

February

- Thurs 14th ~ Friends of the School Valentine Disco
- Fri 15th ~ Break up for Half Term
- Mon 25th ~ Back to School
- Wed 27th ~ Friends of the School Meeting

March

- Thurs 7th ~ Dragonflies Trip to Flag Fen
- Mon 11th ~ Friends of the School Film Night
- Fri 15th ~ Red Nose Day
- Fri 22nd ~ Ladybirds Trip - Details to Follow
- Tues 26th ~ HI5 Netball Event for Selected Pupils

April

- Thurs 4th ~ Friends of the School Easter Disco
- Fri 5th ~ Break up for Easter Holidays
- Tues 23rd ~ Back to School