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Learning for Life

NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 29th November 2017

Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents/Carers

I can't believe how the time is flying by! It's *almost* that time of year again. It's been a really busy term in school as usual, with some fantastic learning taking place. I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents/carers for all you are doing to support your children's learning – reading regularly, spellings and tables practice, helping with homework and supporting various events in school. Thank you!

Anti-Stigma Campaign

I am proud to tell you about our involvement with the Anti-Stigma Campaign to raise awareness of mental health and wellbeing. Some of our older pupils, Dom, Emily and Ellie in Year 6, have been working alongside other primary schools and Buxton Community School and have been trained as 'Anti-Stigma Ambassadors'. A huge thank you to the three children for being such amazing ambassadors.

Road Safety

We are continually working to promote safeguarding and much of this working is taught through our curriculum or through additional workshops or events. This term, the infant children have taken part in workshops to encourage road safety with Karen from Derbyshire County Council Road Safety Team. She was impressed by their knowledge and behaviour – well done!

Learning for Life Awards

This term's Learning for Life Awards will be presented for: listening, teamwork and friendship. These are special Headteacher's awards that link to the weekly assembly themes. Children will continue to have weekly certificates given out in Good News Assemblies. We are also presenting some adults with awards: Lucy Terry, Matt Lomas and Duncan Marshall, to show our appreciation for their hard work and commitment to the school community by giving up their time to improve the school grounds.

Team Harpur

A big thank you to Team Harpur for organising the Christmas Fair this Friday from 4:00pm – 6:00pm. It's sure to be a great success!

Finally,

This newsletter contains a lot of information and updated dates of events, visits and activities taking place in the coming weeks. Thank you for supporting all we do in school and I hope you enjoy the festive period.

Diary Dates

Friday 1 st December	2017	Reception pyjama day.
Friday 1 st December		Team Harpur to host the Christmas Fair 4:00-6:00pm.
Tuesday 5 th December		NHS – flu immunisation day for year 4 children.
Tuesday 5 th December		Year 3 children to visit Tunstead quarry. Packed lunch required, parents have been advised.
Thursday 7 th December		Year 4 children to visit Manchester Museum of Science and Industry. Children need to be in school no later than 8:30am. Packed lunch required. Parents have been advised.
Thursday 7 th December		NHS – flu immunisation day for reception and year 1 – 3 children.
Thursday 7 th December		Local senior residents to visit school for their Christmas Dinner treat.
Friday 8 th December		Year 1 parents invited to school at 9:10am for Christmas crafts.
Tuesday 12 th December		Infant Nativity 1:45pm parents advised.
Wednesday 13 th December		Infant Nativity 1:45pm and 5.45pm, parents advised.
Thursday 14 th December		St Johns Church concert, choir to attend; children need to be in school no later than 8.55am. Parents have been advised.
Thursday 14 th December		Nursery Nativity 2:30pm and 5:30pm, parents advised.
Thursday 14 th December		Year 5/6 pupils' presentation of work to parents, parents to be advised.
Friday 15 th December		Children may come to school wearing a Christmas jumper. In return we ask for a donation of £1.00, thank you. Parents to be advised.
Monday 18 th December		The whole school will have their Christmas parties during the day.
Tuesday 19 th December		School closes at 3:30pm.
Tuesday 2 nd January	2018	Staff INSET day.
Wednesday 3 rd January		School opens at 9:00am.
Thursday 25 th January		Year 5/6 Graffiti art workshop, details to follow.
Monday 21 st May – Wednesday 23 rd May		Year 6 Lea Green Centre outdoor activities & residential trip, parents have been advised.

Parents e-Safety Survey

Mr Jason White, our Online Safety Co-ordinator sent parents an email last week, a paper copy was sent to those who do not have an email address. If you have not already done so, we would be really grateful if you could complete our e-safety survey, simply click on the link below and press the ctrl button at the same time. Kindly complete and submit online.

<https://goo.gl/forms/eYexes3CoFb4Vjxm1>

E-Safety is about the protection of children whilst they are using the internet and digital technologies. This includes: risk-taking and inappropriate behaviour by children and young people; risks and inappropriate behaviour by others to children and young people; illegal activity.

HOME–START is the UK's leading Family Support Charity, and here in the High Peak, thanks to Children in Need, we are looking for additional Home-Visiting Volunteers to join our team to make a difference.

Home - Start High Peak volunteers visit families at home, supporting, parents in situations such as isolation, illness, multiple births, disability or who are just finding parenting a struggle. They provide non-judgemental practical and emotional support and help build the families confidence.

So Are you a parent or a grandparent?

Do you have 2-3 hours a week to visit and support a young family in the High Peak?

A new training course is due to start in November 2017.



To find out more please contact Anthea Murfin – Scheme Manager
Mobile: 07971957668 or Email: dmin@homestarthighpeak.org.uk

....CAR PARKING – SAFETY.... Voluntary one-way system

Derbyshire police support this scheme - We kindly ask you to follow our voluntary one-way system during school dropping off and collection times!

ENTER TRENT AVENUE---> ALONG FERNEYDALE ---> OUT AT FERNEYWAY



Please do not park your car, in the concrete area on Trent Avenue, the NO PARKING SIGN is there for a reason. This area is for vehicle access to the properties on Trent Avenue. The children regard this area as a safe zone and do not necessarily look for cars when running to meet their parents. We kindly ask that you do not drive your car to the main entrance. Please park in the car park or permitted places outside the school grounds.

Please do not park in front of any of our Neighbours' driveways.

ADMINISTRATION

One of our pupils has lost his school bag. Would you kindly check at home to make sure it has not been taken in error? It is a black rucksack with North Face printed on it. Kindly return to reception and we will pass it to the child concerned.

If your child needs to bring money into school please make sure that it is in an envelope/plastic bag with your child's name, class, reason for payment and amount clearly written upon it. Thank you.