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Newsletter, 12.1.24

Dear All

This week's newsletter focuses on dates for the spring term, an important message about attendance and punctuality and an update on our rewards and behaviour management systems.

Attendance and punctuality

Congratulations to Emily, Skye, Felix and Hunter (Y6); Mason, Josh, Edie and Henry (Y5); Kitty, Akiva, Charlie, Eli, Jake and Archer (Y4); Max, Daisy, Betty and James (Y3); Hugo, Amelie and Betty-Mai (Y2); Miriam and Laurie (Y1); and Isla, Jean, Sienna, Felicity, Edward and Isabelle (YR). All of whom managed 100% attendance last term!

I will be contacting some families whose children's attendance is cause for concern, particularly where this relates to unauthorised holidays taken during term time. Although I sympathise with the cost of travel at the moment, it is important that the children are at school if they are well.

Please can I remind everyone that school starts at 8.45am with early work for children in years 1 to 6, so it is important that everyone is at school on time.

Rewards and behaviour management

I am very pleased with the success of our new reward systems that we have introduced into Key Stages 1 and 2 over the past few weeks. This includes:

- Shout outs in assembly for children and groups.
- House points are given out for many different reasons and added to the house point jars. Each
 week, the house captains add up the points for their house and it is added to the house total in
 assembly. The house with the most number of points each term is awarded the House Cup and
 receives a special House Dinner.
- Green cards are given by teachers to children who make a special effort in their lessons. They receive acknowledgement of their achievement and a certificate to bring home.

We have tweaked our response to negative behaviour. This ensures we have consistency and that the children are clear about the steps we take.

- 1. We give a clear verbal warning.
- 1. We remind with another verbal warning and a yellow card as a visual reminder. The yellow card is valid for the remainder of the lesson.

1. If the behaviour continues, I am called. I have a conversation about what went wrong, discuss how to put the problem right and issue a 'consequence'. This is usually time taken from their playtime.

Instrument lessons

Eric Foster has some spaces for children who would like to learn to play piano, guitar or violin. Please email him on admin@etfmusic.com if you are interested in starting lessons.

Dates for the spring term

Please find below dates for the spring term. Although it is a short term, and a term focused particularly on the core curriculum, you will see that we have included some new events throughout the term. We will send further details for events like World Book Day and Science Day nearer the time. It will be good to see you for the Parent Cafe events in January and March.

Spring Term dates for parents and children

Date Event Notes

Monday Legomasters Launch Date More details to follow, but if you love Lego, you'll love this!

15th January

Wednesday Stargazing Evening North Norfolk Astronomy Society will be giving children and

17th families in Kestrel and Kingfisher classes to opportunity to star

January gaze 6- 7pm. More details to follow.

Monday KS1 Celebration Assembly,

22nd 2.40pm

January

Week beg. Clubs start

29th January

Monday KS2 Celebration Assembly,

29th 2.45pm

January

Wednesday Parents' Cafe- inclusion, 31st children's mental health and

January SEND focus

Week 5th Bikeability Level 2-February Kingfisher class Monday 5th February birthday February assembly, 2.45pm Thursday Y4- 6 Inter-house rugby

Oth to me and

8th tournament

February

Week 12th Equality Week

February

Tuesday Pancake Day Races We are looking to start a Shrove Tuesday tradition this year.

13th More details will follow.

February

Thursday Legomasters Exhibition

15th February

Tuesday Year 4 River Glaven trip

27th

February

Tuesday School Council Elections

5th March

I will write to you next week with full details.

Wednesday Parents' Cafe- maths focus,

6th March 9am.

Thursday World Book Day Dress up as a favourite book character will definitely be

7th March included. Full programme will be published nearer the time.

Y1-3 PE on Thursday this week

Monday KS1 Celebration Assembly,

11th 2.40pm

March

Tuesday KS2 Inter-house cross

12th country

March

Wednesday Science Day Whole school day dedicated to investigative science.

13th March

Friday 15th Early Years and Key Stage March 1 Music Concert in the

school hall, 2.30pm.

Monday Key Stage 2 Celebration 18th Assembly, 2.45pm.

March

Friday Key Stage 2 Music Concert,

22nd 2pm.

March

Monday Parent- teacher 25th consultations 1

March

Tuesday Key Stage 2 inter-house

26th cross country

March

Tuesday Parent- teacher 26th consultations 2

March

Wednesday End of term.

27th

March Easter Egg Hunt

No PE for Key Stage 1 today.

School finishes at lunchtime: EYFS and KS1 at 12.50, KS2 at

1pm.