



1st November 2016

Newsletter 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the autumn second half term. We hope that you all enjoyed last week and managed to get some time outside when the weather was kind to us.



Works on Site

You may have noticed that at the far end of the car park, we have work taking place on site. We are having new boilers installed. We anticipate the work will be completed by the end of November and we are running off temporary boilers until completion. We are very pleased that we have secured funding from the local authority for this, as our boilers are over 22 years old.

As our car park is restricted during this work, it seems opportune to politely remind parents/carers that they should not be using the staff car park at any time; unless they have prior permission from the school. Thank you for your co-operation.



School Sports Gold Award

We are thrilled to have been awarded the Gold School Sports Award for the third consecutive year. This accreditation recognises our commitment to sport within and beyond the curriculum. Thank you to everyone for their hard work.



Coats please...and labels

As the weather becomes more autumnal, please could you ensure that your child has a coat with them every day, preferably waterproof and with a

hood? We will go out to play when it is lightly drizzling. You know what they say – there is no such thing as poor weather, just poor preparation for the weather.

Another plea, please ensure all clothing is labelled clearly with your child's name. We already have quite a collection of Excalibur sweatshirts in lost property – most without names.



Lost Shoes

One of our Y3 boys lost a pair of brand new school shoes at an afterschool club earlier this term. We have scoured school and spoken to the children. Please could everyone check that they haven't picked up a pair of shoes by mistake? I'm sure the owner would be very pleased to have them back if you find them. Thank you.

House Points

House points from last half term will be counted and the winner announced in this Friday's celebration assembly. The winning house will earn the privilege to come in non-uniform on Wednesday 9th November. Your child will be able to tell you who has won and, as usual, we will place a banner on the school website just in case they forget.



Children in Need

Excalibur will be supporting Children in Need this year by holding a 'spotacular' day. The children are invited to come to school wearing all things with spots on Friday 18th November. We ask that they bring in a donation for Children in Need which we will collect and send off.

And Finally

We look forward to working together with you during what promises to be another busy, fun-packed term. Did someone mention Christmas?!

Yours Faithfully,

Lise Houldsworth
Headteacher

Diary Dates

A list of dates currently in the school diary.

01-11-16 School opens
01-11-16 Fluenz spray Y1,2,3
02-11-16 Y5 wartime evacuation to Woodcock's Well
07-11-16 Y4 visit to West Park Museum
08-11-16 Infants Bonfire
09-11-16 Non uniform for winning house
09-11-16 Governors – Strategic leadership
11-11-16 Bentley Driving Futures IN Y4
17-11-16 Individual photographs
17-11-16 My World project graduation @ BAE systems
18-11-16 Children in Need – Spotacular Day
23-11-16 Governors – Learning & Teaching
28-11-16 Last week of clubs
30-11-16 Smokebusters – Fire service IN Y5
02-12-16 FOE Christmas fair 5-7pm
07-12-16 Governors - Full
09-12-16 Carol service @ St Mary's – Juniors (details to follow)
13-12-16 Christmas celebration – Infants (details to follow)
19-12-16 Infants Christmas party
20-12-16 Y3/4 Christmas party
23-12-16 Y5/6 Christmas party
23-12-16 School closes

09-01-17 School opens
16-01-17 NSPCC assembly
18-01-17 Governors - Community
18-01-17 E-safety workshop for parents –details to follow
20-01-17 Bentley Be Extraordinary IN Y5
23-01-17 NSPCC workshops with Y5/Y6
15-02-17 Governors – Strategic leadership
16-02-17 Y3 Class assembly 9.15am
17-02-17 School closes

27-02-17 School opens
02-03-16 Book Fair delivered
09-03-17 Y2 class assembly 9.15am
14-03-17 Y4 Standon Bowers
16-03-17 Class photographs
22-03-17 Governors – Learning & Teaching 5pm
23-03-17 Parent/teacher consultations 4-7pm
24-03-17 Y5 class assembly 9.15am

28-03-17 Parent/teacher consultations 3.30-5pm
29-03-17 Full Governors 5pm
31-03-17 Easter service – Juniors 9.15am
31-03-17 School closes