Chellaston Junior School Weekly Bulletin



Friday, 1 February 2019

The Week Ahead

Mon - Thur Y6 Mock SATS

Wednesday Y4 Parent Lunches

Friday Learning Mentor Coffee Morning at Chellaston

Infant School

Parents' Meetings

We will be sending letters home with children next week regarding booking appointments for Parents' Meetings. We ask that you read the letter before going online to book the appointment. Parent Meetings' for years 4 and 6 are on 5 March and years 3 and 5 are on 7 March. Please note that children with an MEP will have a separate meeting arranged and therefore will not need to book a Parent Meeting on this occasion. The meetings are your opportunity to meet staff, discuss progress and share any concerns. The online booking system will be available from Tuesday 5 February to give parents plenty of time to book an appointment.

Valentine's Disco

The PTFA Valentine's Discos will take place on Thursday 14 February. As usual there will be three discos: 1. 4.30pm – 5.30pm, 2. 5.45pm to 6.45pm and 3. 7.00pm – 8.00pm. Y3 children should attend one of the first two discos only. We ask that children agree which disco they are going to with their friends before asking parents to order tickets. Tickets are now available on ParentPay, limited 150 tickets per disco.

If any parents are available to help the PTFA run the tuck shops at the discos, please let the school office know. Thank you!

Y6 Mock SATS

A reminder to all Y6 parents that their children will be doing Mock SATS next week. We plan to run the timetable for the week along the same lines as May. Thank you to all parents for your support to ensure the children are at school promptly during this week.

Y4 Trip to Thinktank (Bimingham Science Museum)

We are looking forward to taking our Y4 Children to Thinktank (Birmingham Science Museum) on Tuesday 12 March. It's a fabulous place and the children will take part in some fantastic activities during the day. Y4 parents can find out all the details of the trip on our website and payment for the visit in now open on ParentPay.

Sports Hall Athletics Update

You may remember last week we told you about how well the CJS team did in the Sports Hall Athletics. Well, we've officially heard that **we won!** Huge congratulations to all who took part. We are waiting for our Gold Certificates to arrive and look forward to presenting them to the children in assembly.

Hot House Harmonix Choir

Hot House are running a Choir every Tuesday after school, from 3.35pm to 4.15pm. The choir will cover everything from Disney to Adele to The Greatest Showman. If you are interested in your child joining the Choir, please collect a letter from the office with all the details of how to join.

Learning Mentor Coffee Morning

There will be a Learning Mentor Coffee Morning on Friday 8 February, 9.15am to 10.15am at Chellaston Infant School. This is an opportunity to meet the learning mentors from both the infant and junior schools for an informal discussion about any concerns that you may have regarding your child, be it about their progress, health, behaviour or wellbeing.

Safety at the School Gates

Parents are asked once again not to drop off and turn round in the main school entrance at the school car park. Could we also ask parents not to block access to the gates of the former Children's Centre, as access is required at all times. Thank you.

Stranger Danger

Staff and some parents were concerned yesterday as a man was seen using his mobile phone to take photographs near the main entrance to the school during the afternoon. This matter has been reported to the police. Thank you to those parents for being vigilant. If any parent is concerned about any strangers near the school premises, please contact the school office and report it immediately.

Mr Beeston

Mr Beeston is progressing well and hopes to be back shortly. Next week, Mr Davies will be teaching Edale on Monday, Thursday and Friday; Mrs Chapman will teach Edale as usual on Wednesday; myself and Mrs Edwards will be teaching on Tuesday. The class made a lovely get well card for Mr B, which we have delivered to him. He would like to thank the children and reassure them that their card has pride of place in his sitting room. He is looking forward to being back at school and we hope to see him from Monday 11 February. I will continue to keep parents informed.

Mrs Potterton

Mrs Potterton also hopes to be back at school soon. We will update the parents of Glossop as soon as we have any further information. Miss Ballington and the Year 4 team have been working hard to ensure that Glossop class are covering all the relevant Year 4 work. In the meantime, if parents have any questions, please contact myself or Miss Ballington (Year 4 Leader). Thank you

to parents and pupils for your patience. We do appreciate that it can be unsettling for children when their class teacher is absent, but we always do our very best to arrange the appropriate cover to help all children to continue to do their best at school.

Learning Walks

Myself and senior staff often undertake 'Learning Walks' around school. This involves visiting a number of classes to check that the children are behaving well, working hard and the teachers are providing the right guidance, support and challenge. We have been very impressed with the children's attitude to learning and the good quality of teaching right across the school. Well done, everyone!

Still places available for Y4 Parents' lunches on Wednesday

There are still a few places available for the Y4 Parent Lunch on Wednesday 6 February. If you wish to join your child for lunch, please book on ParentPay