

### Newsletter 3 Friday 20th September 2019

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# Ceeping Healthy

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The children have been kept on their toes this week with lots of opportunities to exercise both indoors and out. Pupils have enjoyed activities such as an obstacle course, tag rugby, cheerleading, dance and gymnastics.



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UN Convention on the Rights of the Child Article 24: Health



Article 29: Goals of Education



# Y2 Diwali Celebration

Year Two parents/carers are warmly invited to attend a special Diwali assembly on Friday 25th October from 9.30—10.00am.

Y2 children will be performing the story of Rama and Sita as well as singing some special Diwali songs.



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child Article 14: Freedom of Thought, Belief and Religion.



Year One parents/carers are warmly invited to attend a Harvest Festival on Friday 27th September from 9.30—10.00am.

Y1 children will be performing "Jack and the Beanstalk" as well as singing some special Harvest songs.

We will be collecting dried and tinned foods on behalf of St Mary's Church food bank. Please bring in any donations next week.

We would welcome donations from all parents and carers in support of this very good cause.

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# **Useful Information**

#### School Photographs

Please remember that the school photographer will be visiting to take individual portraits of pupils on Wednesday 25th September. Pictures will be available to buy. If you would like a photograph of your child with any pre-school siblings, please come to school between 8.15am and 9.00am. However, **please be aware that you will have to wait in a queue for your photograph to be taken**. Photographs of brothers/sisters who attend school will be taken during the day.

#### Parent's Evenings

Reception parents/carers are invited to meet with their child's teacher on either Tuesday 15th October, 3.30—5.00pm or Wednesday 16th October, 3.30—7.00pm. A letter giving more information will be sent out shortly.

All other year groups will be holding their parent's evenings on Wednesday 4th December, 3.30—7.00pm and Thursday 5th December, 3.30—5.00pm.

#### Snacks

As you are aware, all pupils in Reception, Year One and Year Two receive free fruit to snack on during the day. **If your child is in Key Stage Two and you would like to provide a healthy snack for playtime, please remember to keep this separate from your child's lunch box.** Suitable snacks such as fruit, a flapjack or cereal bar should be placed in your child's bag. Because we have children in school suffering from severe nut allergies, we would appreciate it if products containing nuts could be avoided.

#### **Harvest Donations**

Next week, we are collecting items of dried and tinned produce as part of our Harvest Festival. All donations will be passed on to the food bank at St Mary's Church. Please leave any items at the school office. Thank you in anticipation of your usual generosity.

#### Breakfast Club—Signing In

Thank you to all parents/carers for signing their children in to Breakfast Club every morning. We appreciate that you are in a rush and need to leave promptly to get to work on time so are trying to make the system as speedy as possible. By signing your child in, all pupils are accounted for and are brought safely to the door rather than being left alone in the car park.

# **Free Craft Session** for children and parents in Years One & Two

# Please come along to our FREE craft session for parents/carers and their children in years one and two.

The session will be held on Wednesday 16th October from 1.30—3.00pm . You will have the chance to make a special box with your child that tells the story of your family—bring along a photograph or object to customise. You may bring pre-school siblings with you but please note that it will be your responsibility to supervise them.

To request a place, please return the letter slip on the letter you were given and emailed or ask at the office.



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture

# Free English Classes for Parents/Carers

If you speak another first language and you would like to improve your English speaking, listening, reading and writing skills, please come along to our free ESOL courses which we hope to start at the end of September.

The courses are open to anybody who is unemployed. Lessons work towards a City and Guilds qualification which can help you to find a job.

For more information, please read the flyer on the next page or come along to a meeting with the course tutor, Colette Whelan, in school on Wednesday 25th September at 2.30pm.





# English for Speakers of Other Languages



### Improve your









At Sydenham Primary School Calder Walk, Leamington Spa CV31 1SA Contact Colette Whelan on 07866 927 325

Supporting a safe learning environment based on British Values and Equality and Diversity



On Friday 13th December we will be taking children in Reception, Year One and Year Two to Warwick Arts' Centre to watch a performance of "Father Christmas" by Raymond Briggs. A letter containing more details, including payment information, will be sent to you shortly.

Join Santa as he awakes from a dream of sun, sea and sand only to find it is the busiest day of the year: Christmas Eve.

Watch as he prepares his Christmas deliveries, feeds his reindeer and finally takes flight into the snowy night.

This heart-warming adaptation is full of merry touches with plenty of live music, songs and playful puppetry. It's a perfect introduction to theatre for young children who won't be able to look away as secret doors and hidden hatches are revealed in this beautifully visual show.

"Magnificent" \*\*\*\* The Observer
"Magical" \*\*\*\* The Upcoming

YR/1/2 Christmas Theatre Trip



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Article 31: Leisure, Play and Culture



On Wednesday 15th January, we will be taking children in years 3/4/5/6 to The Royal Shakespeare Theatre to see a production of David Walliams', "The Boy in the Dress." A letter containing more details, including payment information, will be sent to you shortly.

Dennis is 12 years old and his school football team's star striker. But when Mum leaves home, life is tough. The only reminder Dennis has of Mum is a photo of her in a beautiful yellow dress. A dress rather like the one on the cover of Voque on sale at Raj's newsagents. And also a bit like the one that Lisa James, the coolest girl in the school, is sketching in her note book. What do you do if you like both football and dresses? And what will Mr Hawtrey the headteacher do when he discovers that his strict uniform code has been broken by a boy in a dress?

David Walliams' heart-warming comedy is brought to the stage for the first time in a musical with all new songs from Robbie Williams and Guy Chambers, script by former RSC playwright in residence Mark Ravenhill and in a production for all the family directed by RSC Artistic Director Gregory Doran.









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## **Adult and Community Learning**

We are running FREE cookery/maths sessions for Reception parents/carers and their children.

The sessions will be run in school by The Family Learning Service on the three dates shown below. Attendance is FREE and will help to develop your child's Maths' skills in a fun way.

### For more information, see below: "123 Food"

A 3 week course for you and your child, developing maths skills through cooking . Everything FREE

Tuesdays 19<sup>th</sup> November, Tuesday 26th November & 3<sup>rd</sup> December

### 9.15.am-10.45am

Please complete the slip below and return to the School Office :

I would like to attend the 123 Food Course with my child.

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### Well done to Y5 CB who had the highest attendance at school this week with a brilliant 100%

Attendance for other classes this week was as follows:

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Y3JL	99%
Y3 JML	98%
YR LS	98%
YR RK	97%
Y4 FC	97%
Y5 RA	96%
Y4 SM	95%
Y1 EL	95%
Y2 AP	95%
Y2 CP	95%
Y1 CD	94%
Y6 JvS	90%
Y6 KG	90%

Please note that our school attendance target is 97%. The minimum acceptable attendance, as stipulated by Warwickshire Local Authority, is 95%.

Low attendance results in poorer educational progress and attainment.

	Sydenham Primary School	
Fa	amily Survival Parenting	
	Workshop	
	Wednesday	
	16 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	
	9.15am – 11.15 am	
<ul> <li>Worksho</li> </ul>	p session to explore strategies	
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<ul> <li>Tip sheet scenarios</li> </ul>	ts provided to think through issues and s	
<ul> <li>share explored</li> </ul>	periences with other parents	
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	Learning	

Adult name\_\_\_\_

Child's name and class\_

Contact telephone number /email\_

To book your place please complete slip and hand in to the school office by 11<sup>th</sup> October Parenting Workshop

# RUGBY LUNCH Thursday 26th September 2019

Chicago Deep Pan Pizza (Chicken and Sweetcorn) Potato Wedges

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(v) Quorn Nuggets with Rainbow Rice and Japanese Katsu Curry Sauce (optional curry sauce served separately)

> Seasonal Vegetables Fresh Salad

(v) Homemade Cookie or Fruit Jello (Jelly)

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### Monday 23rd September

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Tuesday 15th October Wednesday 16th October Wednesday 16th October

Monday 21st October Tuesday 22nd October Wednesday 23rd October Friday 25th October

Friday 25th October

YR information session for parents/carers, 4.30—5.00pm (meet outside the school office.)

Y2 AP class assembly at 10.15am in the hall. Y2 AP parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.

Family Learning, Story in a Box session for YR/1/2 children and parents/carers, 1.00—3.00pm in the hall.

School photographs—individual portraits.

MUFTI (non-uniform) Day. Please bring a donation of 50p per child if they choose to wear non-uniform.

Y1 Harvest Festival at 9.30am in the hall. Y1 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.

YR information session for parents/carers, 9.00—9.30am (meet outside the school office.)

Y1 CD Reading River, 9.15—9.45am in the hall.

Tour of the school for parents/carers interested in a Reception place 2020/21 at 9.45am.

Y2 trip to the Transport Museum at Gaydon.

Open morning for parents/carers of children in YR RK (Miss Knight's class) from 9.00—10.00am.

Y2 CP class assembly at 10.15am in the hall. Y2 CP parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.

YR Parent's Evening, 3.30—5.00pm

YR Parent's Evening, 3.30—7.00pm

Family Learning, parenting workshop, 9.15—11.15am. Please complete the slip on the letter sent home.

Flu vaccinations for all pupils, YR—Y6.

Y1 EL Reading River, 9.15—9.45am in the hall.

YR Diwali party, 2.15—3.15pm.

MUFTI (non-uniform) Day. Please bring a donation of 50p per child if they choose to wear non-uniform.

Y2 Diwali assembly at 9.30am in the hall. Y2 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.

#### HALF-TERM, Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November

/	Monday 4th November	Return to school.
/	Tuesday 5th November	Y6 JvS class assembly at 9.15am Y6 JvS parents/ carers are warmly invited to attend.
	Thursday 7th November	Y4 trip to The Sealife Centre
	Tuesday 12th November	Y1 EL class assembly at 10.15am. Y1 EL parents/ carers are warmly invited to attend.
	Tuesday 12th November	Open morning for parents/carers of children in YR LS (Mrs Schole's class) from 9.00—10.00am
	Friday 15th November	School closed—In Service Teacher Training (INSET) Day. Teachers will be attending Talk for Reading training, led by Pie Corbett.
	Tuesday 19th November	Reading workshop for YR parents, 4.00—4.30pm. (Meet outside the school office.)
	Friday 22nd November	MUFTI (non-uniform) Day. Please bring a donation of 50p per child if they choose to wear non-uniform.
	Friday 22nd November	Reading workshop for YR parents, 9.00—9.30am. (Meet outside the school office.)
	Tuesday 26th November	Y5 CB class assembly at 9.15am. Y5 CB parents/ carers are warmly invited to attend.
	Wednesday 4th December	YR Nativity at 9.30am—YR parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
	Wednesday 4th December	Parents' Evening, 3.30—7.00pm.
	Thursday 5th December	Parents' Evening, 3.30—5.30pm.
	Wednesday 11th December	Y1 and Y2 carol concert, 9.30—10.15am in the hall. All Y1/2 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
	Thursday 12th December	Y3/4 carol and recorder concert, 9.30—10.15am in the hall. All Y3/4 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
	Thursday 12th December	Christmas Crafts for Y1 & 2, 9.15—10.45am.
	Friday 13th December	Y5/6 carol and recorder concert, 9.30—10.15am in the hall. All Y3/4 parents/carers are warmly invited to attend.
	Friday 13th December	YR/1/2 visit Warwick Arts' Centre to watch a performance of "Father Christmas" at 1.30pm.
	Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Lunch
	Friday 20th December	MUFTI/Christmas jumper day.Please bring a donation of 50p per child if they choose to wear non-uniform.



Best wishes from Miss Glenny and Miss Challand