



Dalton St Mary's CE Primary School

Spring Term

Newsletter 16

17th January 2018

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

It has been really cold since our return to school and I ask that all parents ensure their child has a coat with them in school each day and hat/gloves if they have them. Our playground is particularly cold at the top of the hill and some mornings I do open the doors to allow the children access to school from 8.45 even when it is not raining. Our Performing Arts Group are really looking forward to Young Voices on Monday, this is a wonderful opportunity for them and I know they will have a super time, they will be leaving school at 12 o'clock and returning at approximately midnight.

School Crossing Patrol

On Thursday morning 25th January 2018 Mrs Bevins will not be on duty at the school crossing. Mrs Bevins is on staff training that day as part of her Midday role and, as silly as it may seem, we are not allowed to cross the children over the road as we are not trained in the role. On the morning of 25th January 2018 it will be the responsibility of parents to ensure their child crosses the road safely.

Swimming

Swimming began again Thursday 11th January for Years 4, 5 and 6 with the same timings as the Autumn Term. Year 3 will begin swimming on February 22nd 2018, this is when Year 6 stop their sessions. Can I please remind parents of the correct swimwear for these sessions in line with our uniform policy:

Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 attend Dalton Leisure Centre for swimming lessons for which they require a swimming costume / trunks, towel and a comb or hairbrush. Girls should wear a one-piece swimming costume and boys should wear trunks/short swimming shorts. Parents will be informed of the dates when each class will be swimming.

Nursery Applications and Extended Hours

Applications for places in our Nursery are now being accepted for the next academic year; September 2018, January 2019 and April 2019. Application forms are available from the school office and we are able to provide the **30 hour offer for those parents who qualify**. Parents who do not qualify for the 30 hour offer are still able to book and pay for their children to stay for the full day (£10.00 per extra session). If anyone would like any further information please ask Mrs Irving in the office or email her at h.irving@dsmprimary.com.

Mrs L Woodburn

Dear God,

Please help all the people who have had weather and keep them safe.

Amen.

(Bella Jones Y3)

Dates for Diaries

Young Voices – Manchester		Monday 22 nd January 2018
Furness Voices		Wednesday 31 st January 2018
NSPCC Number Day		Friday 2 nd February 2018
Y5 Dowdales Visit		Friday 2 nd February 2018
Y2 Indoor Athletics at DASH	3.45pm	Friday 2 nd February 2018
Half term		Friday 9 th February 2018
Parent Drop-in Sessions (Every day 3.00 to 3.30)	Week beg:	Monday 18 th February 2018
Parent Evening		Monday 26 th February 2018
Book Fair (Every day 3.30 – 4.00)	Week beg:	Monday 26 th February 2018
World Book Day		Thursday 1 st March 2018
(Children will be able to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book)		
Mother's Day Lunch		Friday 9 th March 2018

Extra-Curricular Activities

Morning / Lunchtime Clubs

Club	Leader	Day	Time	Comments
Singing for Fun	Mrs Wright	Wednesday	12.30	Reception/Y1/Y2 (Y3 classroom)
Scrabble	Mrs Rowe	Tuesday	12.25	Y4/Y5/Y6 (Library)
Phonics Club	Mrs Cain	Tuesday	12.30	YR/Y1/Y2 (Reception classroom)
Gardening	Mrs Croskery	Wednesday/Friday	12.30	Y4/Y5/Y6 Children
Craft Club	Mrs Rowe	Friday	12.25	Y6 (Library)

After School Clubs

Club	Leader	Day	Time	Comments
Multi Sports	Onside Sports	Monday	3.30 to 4.30	Reception and KS1 (Full)
Y5 & Y6 Art Club	Mrs Pickering	Monday	3.30 to 4.30	Y5 Classroom (After Half Term)
Gymnastics	Mrs Dixon/Mrs Spence/Mr Akred	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 (letter to go to home to those children selected)
Story Club	Mrs Ryder	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.00	Nursery, Reception and a grown-up!
Multi Sports	Onside Sports	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 (Booking forms from the Office)
Y2 Art Club	Mrs Ryder	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.15	Year 2 (in Nursery) (WEF 24 th January)
Guitar Club	James (Cumbria Music Service)	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.00	Booking through the school office
Performing Arts	Mrs Croskery	Thursday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 Children (in Hall)