

Friday 12 October 2018

Dear Parents & Carers,

It was lovely to see so many Y2 parents at the Y2 workshop this week, thank you for your participation and your input. You will receive a separate email containing the KS1 SATs booklet information you requested at the meeting. Please do get in touch with me if you have any questions about how to further support your child at home.

As stated in the meeting, I will be holding a further workshop later in the year to go over the details of the KS1 SATs for Y2 parents.

Kind regards,

Mr Raheel Akhtar
Headteacher

KEY DATES 2018/19

Autumn Term 2018

Wednesday 10 October

Y1 at Hornchurch Country Park

Friday 19 October

Children break up for half term

Monday 29 October

Staff training day—school closed

Tuesday 30 October

Children return to school

Wednesday 31 October

Halloween dress up day

Thursday 1 November

Official Opening Ceremony

Friday 9 November

School photos—Individual and sibling photos

Monday 12 November

Parent Coffee Morning

Monday 12 November

Y1 and Y2 cinema trip

Friday 16 November

Children in Need dress up day

Thursday 22 November

Bluebell at Discover Story Centre

Wednesday 12 December

All classes at Romford Nativity Project

Thursday 13 December

Parents' Evening

Friday 14 December

Xmas Jumper Day

Monday 17 December

Xmas performance

Wednesday 19 December

Last day of term

**Dates may be added and amended as and when necessary*

STAR OF THE WEEK



Star of the Week in Bluebell class is David. David has been working extremely hard on pencil grip and we have seen a massive improvement in his letter formation as a result. He has also been joining in when we use Fred Fingers for spelling and has done some great work in phonics. Well done, David. Keep it up!

Star of the week in Sunflower Class is Logan C. Logan has recently started taking additional phonics in the afternoon with Miss

Commons and has already shown great enthusiasm to learn. He is also very keen to share what he has learned with her peers and other teachers. Keep working hard Logan.

Star of the week in Poppy class is Daniele. Daniele has shown perseverance and resilience when adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers in Maths this week and has been able to correctly complete the calculations independently. Daniele has worked hard this week and shown a good example of work ethic to others, keep up the good work and well done.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance for Bluebell Class this week was 98.6%. Sunflower Class had attendance of 94.1%. Poppy Class had attendance of 95.9%. Well done to Bluebell Class for being the attendance superstars this week!

Coming to school on time every day makes a significant difference to how well children achieve at school. Make sure your child doesn't miss out by bringing them to school every day. Missed learning time cannot be made up and it is the children who lose out. Please remember we do not authorise holiday absences during term time.



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BLACK HISTORY MONTH CARNIVAL

On Wednesday 17 October we are holding a mini-carnival in the school hall to celebrate Black History Month!

This will involve children showcasing costumes they have made, as well as afro Caribbean food and music. It would be great to have support from our parents so if anyone would like to donate some traditional food then please speak to Ms Black who is organising the event.

The carnival will take place in the school hall at the end of the day, and we look forward to seeing you all there.



HARVEST

The Autumn months are traditionally Harvest season. We would like to celebrate Harvest at our Concordia Academy by collecting food this half-term to donate to the local foodbank in Romford. As you may have noticed, the amount of homeless people in Romford has increased and this is leading to greater need for supporting these people with basic necessities, such as food.

We would like the children to bring in donations of food from the week beginning 15th October. Donations can be made throughout that week but please ensure that all donations are with us by Thursday 18 October as we aim to deliver the donated food to the foodbank on Friday 19th October. We will be taking some of our children with us to the foodbank, and we'll publish details of the trip in the newsletter for that week.

In terms of the food, any items of packaged or tinned food are welcome but the foodbank urgently needs the following items: custard, sugar, sponge puddings or savoury snacks.

Please ensure that all donations are brought in to the school office rather than the playground, and handed in to Ms Clarke or Ms Hutton.

Let us know if you have any questions, and we look forward to receiving your donations!



SUNFLOWER CLASS TRIP

On Wednesday Sunflower Class visited Hornchurch Country Park.

We participated in a Four Seasons workshop which included bug hunting, creating natural art, bird watching and stream dipping. The children were all very excited to learn more about how the seasons impact on the animals and insects within a habitat. The children especially loved searching for insects and playing on the playground.

A big thank you to the parents who came with us and made this day possible.



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