

Half Acres Primary Academy

Newsletter November 2017

Firstly, I would like to say thank you for your support and attendance during our recent Inspire events. It was lovely to see so many of you in school supporting your children. A selection of the work produced is on display in the Old School Hall and there are also photos on our school Twitter page.

FORTHCOMING DATES & EVENTS

Wednesday 22nd November

Nasal Flu vaccine for Reception to Year 4 children

Year 6 class assembly at 9.10am

Tuesday 28th November

Medieval Day for Years 1 & 2

Wednesday 6th December

2.30pm KS2 Christmas Concert

Thursday 7th December

9.15am KS2 Christmas Concert

11am Nursery Christmas Concert

2.30pm Reception Christmas Concert

Friday 8th December

9.15am Reception Christmas Concert

Monday 11th December

2.30pm KS1 Christmas Concert

Tuesday 12th December

9.15am KS1 Christmas Concert

Wednesday 13th December

Year 3&4 Christmas Party - PM

Thursday 14th December

Year 5&6 Christmas Party - PM

Friday 15th December

Year 1&2 Christmas Party - PM

Monday 18th December

Early Years Christmas Party

Tuesday 19th December

School closes at 1.15pm for all pupils

Wednesday 3rd January 2018

INSET DAY

Thursday 4th January 2018

School reopens to all pupils

Thursday 18th January 2018

Year 4&5 Young Voices Concert

Flu vaccination reminder

Just a small reminder that children in Reception to Year 4 will be having their flu vaccination in school on the 22nd November where parents returned the consent form.

Cashless Online payments

Children in years 3 to 6 should have brought home a letter last week detailing your online access code to enable you to make payments to school for items such as dinner money and school trips online.

We are looking to reduce the amount of physical cash we receive into school and would like to thank you in advance for your support on this matter.

Children in Key Stage 1 will bring home their access code as and when there are any further trips or money to pay to school.

Children in Need

Thank you to all the staff, parents and children who have helped to make this year's Children In Need day a success. As a school we have helped to raise over £180.

Early Years Phonics

For children in Early Years you should have brought home a letter which outlined the Early Years Phonics workshops we will be running in school this week. Please see your child's teacher if you are unsure.

Mrs Render's Coffee Mornings

Mrs Render, our Family Mentor, will continue to run her Friday coffee mornings from 9am to 9.45am which are open to all parents/carers and family members.

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

This year the whole school attendance target is **97%**. Please support us by ensuring children arrive on time and stay in school all day.

Please be advised that we do not authorise term time holidays except in exceptional extenuating circumstances. Holidays taken in term time may incur penalties for families. These are £60 per parent, per child. The fine rises to £120 per parent, per child if it is not paid within 28 days.

Finally, it has come to our attention that some parents/carers are smoking at the school gates. Please can we ask you to kindly wait until you are well away from school grounds. This also applies to the use of E-cigarettes.