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Newsletter

From Mrs Dunbar

Staffing

We say a sad goodbye to Erica Siddall who has left to have a baby. Thank you to her for her work with the children and for coordinating so many successful fund raising activities on behalf of the school. We wish her and her family all the best for the future and although we know she will be very busy when the baby arrives, we hope she will have time to pop in and see us!

Welcome to Tracey Spooner who has joined the staff as Special Needs Teaching Assistant in KS2. We hope she will be very happy as a member of our school team.

Food Glorious Food

KS2 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Tesco on 29th March. Thank you very much to all the parents for arranging transport to enable the trip to take place.

Church Inspection

Following on from the OFSTED inspection in January there will be a church schools inspection on Tuesday 6th March. This will be a one day visit by Margaret Fell, to explore how well the school promotes Christian values through such things as Collective Worship and the school environment.

Inset Days

Dates for your diary – there will be inset days on:

- Monday 19th March for staff training on literacy.
- Friday 1st June for staff safeguarding/child protection training.
- Friday 6th July for curriculum planning

The school is closed to pupils on these days.

Kitchen Refurbishment

The new school kitchen should soon be completed. In the meantime Mrs Wilson continues to prepare the school lunches off site and bring them into school daily. When completed parents will be invited to join children for a school lunch if they wish and view the new facilities.

Lea Green Residential

This will take place on Wednesday 25th – Friday 27th April for Y4, Y5 and Y6. Thank you to those people who already paid for visit - payment must be completed by 30th March. Please remember to complete and return your consent for as soon as possible as these need to be sent to Lea Green in advance of the visit.

Lost Property

We have a collection of un-named items in the cloakroom eg hats, gloves, plimsolls, red sweat shirts. The children have been given chance to check on several occasions. Any unclaimed items will be disposed of or sent to the next bags2school collection. If you have any missing items please call in and check they are not in lost property.

Home School Agreement

We have just a few home school agreements not returned. If you have misplaced your copy please let me know and we can provide a replacement. Thank you!

Prokick Schools Challenge

Thank you very much to all the parents who have already returned sponsorship money for the Prokick Schools Challenge. This is purely voluntary but there is a deadline of Friday 9th March for any outstanding sponsor money. All children who took part will receive a certificate and children with the highest speed kicks and those who raise over £25.00 will receive extra prizes. 50% of the money raised will be returned to school to enrich your child's education. A percentage of the other money donated contributes to helping the SC Foundation for children in less fortunate countries.

Diary Dates

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| Tuesday 6 th March | Church Schools Inspection James Coates – MAST for collective worship |
| Monday 19 th March | INSET for literacy training |
| Tuesday 20 th March | Governors' Meeting 7.00 p.m. |
| Friday 30 th March | Easter Service –St Mark's Church 9.30 a.m. Last day of Spring Term 4 |
| Monday 16 th April | School re-opens |
| Wednesday 25 th – Friday 27 th April | Lea Green Residential Y4, Y5 and Y6 |
| Thursday 26 th April | Michael Fentam - MAST for collective worship |
| Friday 27 th April | Swimming recommences for KS2 – please ensure swimming kit is in school if your child is not at Lea Green (Y3) |
| Thursday 23 rd May | James Coates – MAST for collective worship |
| Monday 14 th – Friday 18 th May | KS2 SATs week |
| Thursday 30 th May | School Communion – St Mark's Church 2.30 p.m. Last day of Summer Term 5 |
| Friday 1 st June | INSET for safeguarding/child protection training |
| Monday 11 th June | School re-opens |
| Wednesday 20 th June | Safety Crew – Y6 p.m. |
| Thursday 21 st June | James Coates – MAST for collective worship |
| Friday 6 th July | INSET day for curriculum planning. |
| Thursday 12 th July | Michael Fentam - MAST for collective worship Governors' Meeting 7.00 p.m. |
| Friday 20 th July | Leavers service – 2.30 p.m. School closes for Summer Break |

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Dunbar
Headteacher