



## NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2012

We are in one our busiest half terms of the year. Please take a moment to put these important dates on your calendars at home. We wouldn't want you to miss any opportunity to come into school to join in the festivities.

### Dates for the Diary



- Wed 14 Nov - Team M/J Parent lunch
- Fri 17 Nov - Photo orders to be back by
- Tues 20 Nov - Reception Inspire workshop
- Wed 21 Nov - Team Trevelyan Parent lunch
- Thurs 22 Nov - Team Trevelyan Assembly
- Wed 28 Nov - Team Spiers & Roberts Parent lunch
- Thurs 6 Dec - Reception trip to Conkers
- Weds 12 Dec - School Christmas lunch
- Thur 13 Dec - KS1 trip to Santa Express
- Thur 13 Dec - Nursery & Reception Christmas play
- Fri 14 Dec - KS1 Christmas play
- Tues 18 Dec - KS2 Christmas play
- Thur 20 Dec -Break up for Christmas
  
- Fri 21 Dec - Teacher Training Day

### 2013

- Mon 7 Jan - Children back to school

### School Rules:

Our school rules were devised by School Council and state:

RESPECT YOURSELF, OTHERS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

### REMINDERS:

#### LATE ARRIVALS

Children arriving late to school must be signed in by an adult at the office. Please note that if your child arrives after 9.15am your child will be marked as an unauthorised late which will affect their attendance percentage.

#### COLLECTING CHILDREN EARLY

We are having a large number of children being collected from school early again for either dentist/medical appointments or parent medical appointments. We understand that these are sometimes out of your control but please ensure they are booked during the school holidays or after school, as this is not only disruptive to members of staff but also the children's learning.

## OFFICE FURNITURE

We have two IKEA office desks that would like to go to a new home. One of them is a corner desk with shelves above and the other is a smaller straight desk. If you are interested please contact the office to make arrangements to have a look. All we would like in exchange is a minimum contribution of £10.00 per desk to go towards school fund.

## Black History Week

To celebrate the national Black History Month, we have explored the diversity of cultures and celebrated the achievements of black people across the world. Children in KS1 and KS2 enjoyed working alongside each other in their houses to experiment with African music, create African masks, food tasting, model and clothes making, exploring traditional tales from other cultures and partook in a traditional Trinidad and Tobago limbo competition! Through our PSHE lessons we were able to learn about some of the amazing achievements of some of our role models, such as Mo Farah, Jessica Ennis and Martin Luther King.

## Say No to Bullying week

Alongside our 'Say No to Bullying' PSHE theme for this half term, to mark this year's Anti Bullying Week, 19th - 23rd **November**, we are proud to share with the school our very own anti-bullying short film that was created by a committee of Y4 and Y5 pupils in the summer term. They worked hard to create a storyboard, film and edit the film we are excited to celebrate this.

## Starburst Awards



### Thursday 11 October 2012

Team Boyce - Kian  
Team Wood - Joey  
Team Davis - Ellen  
Team Palmer - Luke  
Team M/J - Keigan  
Team Trevelyan - Charlotte  
Team Spiers - Jay  
Team Roberts - Rose

## Starburst Awards



### Thursday 18 October 2012

Team Boyce - Chloe  
Team Palmer - Alex B  
Team M/J - Muskaan  
Team Trevelyan - Lucy  
Team Spiers - Jason  
Team Roberts - Samantha

## Class Assemblies

We would like to say a huge thank you and congratulations to **Team Spiers and Team Roberts** on great performances for their recent class assemblies.

All the children were fantastic and they were enjoyed by children and parents.

## Winter Evenings

As the winter dark nights are now drawing in we will be talking to the children about the importance of "Road Safety" this time of year by wearing bright items of clothing and making sure cars can see them before crossing the roads. If you can also speak to your child/ren at home then hopefully all of children will be safe when coming home from school.

### How good is your child's attendance

GOLD 97%

Is your attendance above 97%? (Having less than 6 days absence in the year)

You are an excellent attender you will almost certainly achieve the best grades for your ability and have real opportunity in further education or the world of work.

SILVER 95%

Is your attendance 95% plus (Having less than two weeks absence during the year)

You are likely to achieve your grades that will give you real opportunities to continue your studies or in the world of work.

BRONZE 90%

Is your attendance 90% plus

You will be missing up to 20 days each school year and this will make it difficult for you to achieve your best.