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7th February 2019

Dear Parents,

It's been a busy few weeks. I'd like to say well done to a group of Upper Key Stage 2 children who represented the school at a Lego event held at Nissan. They had to build and programme some technical Lego to carry out at least one successful mission – they managed to complete two missions! They won a trophy, the judge's award, for their good teamwork and great presentation. You can view photos of their visit on the school Facebook page.

We have just received a certificate from the Children's Society - you helped us to raise £155 pounds for this worthy cause through your kind donations for the Christingle Service at St Mary's Church in December.

Spelling Shed

School has recently subscribed to Spelling Shed - an interactive spelling programme that can also be accessed at home on an iPad, iPhone or computer. Spelling Shed is a fun way to learn spellings and extend children's grammar. Weekly spelling lists will be allocated to your child by their class teacher and can be found at

<https://www.spellingshed.com>

Your child has been issued with a username and password.

School Uniform and PE Kit

I'd like to thank the majority of our parents for ensuring that children are coming to school in the correct school uniform. The children look very smart.

Recently, however, some children have been coming into school wearing items of clothing and footwear that is not part of our school uniform. Can I remind you that children should be wearing school trousers or skirts, not leggings and should be wearing black school shoes, not trainers.

Please could you make sure that your child has their PE kit in school throughout the school week. Each day children are coming down to the office to borrow PE kit or to ask school to ring parents to get them to bring in PE kit. PE kit should be clearly labelled with your child's name.



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Parking

We still have a significant number of parents parking in the turning circle. It is proving very challenging at times for the school bus to drop off and pick up the children. Please do not park there between 8:40 am and 8:55 am or between 3:00-3:30pm.

Also a polite reminder – parents should **NOT** be driving onto school premises at any point during the school day or after school.

Tea Club

If you are planning to send your child to Tea Club please could you inform the school office by Friday each week about which sessions your child will be attending the following week. We cannot get this information from Parent Pay and need to be able to know which children to take down to Tea Club each day.

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March

We will be celebrating World Book Day. Children can come to school on Thursday 7th March dressed as a character from one of their favourite books.

Red Nose Day - Friday 15th March

Children will be able to buy red noses from the school office in the run up to Red Nose Day and can come dressed in their own clothes on Friday 15th March for a suggested donation of £1 to this worthy cause.

Diary Dates

8th February - **Centre For Life**, Ladybird (Y1) & Dragonfly Class (Y2)

14th February – **Centre For Life**, Oak (Y3) and Hazel (Y4)

15th February - **Break up for Half Term**, school reopens on 25.02.19

1st March - **Seven Stories** Butterfly Class (Reception)

18th March- **Dance Festival Gala Theatre (am)** Oak (Y3) and Hazel (Y4)

19th March **Dance Festival Gala Theatre (pm)** Ladybird (Y1) and Rowan (Y5)

1st April **Parents Evening**

3rd-5th April - **Upper KS2 residential to Grinton Lodge**



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5th April - **Break up for Easter holidays**

23rd April **Back to school**

Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 SAT's and the Year 1 Phonics Check

14.05.19 – 17.05.19 - KS2 SAT's week (Year 6)

KS1 SAT's will take place in May (Year 2)

The Year 1 Phonics Check takes place in the week beginning June 10th.

It is important to ensure that your child/children are in school in the weeks leading up to these test periods and are present at school during the test weeks.

After School Clubs

The following clubs will be running after the February half term:

Dance –Years 1-3

This club will run on **Mondays** from 3:15pm -4:15pm starting on Monday 25th February for 6 weeks. There are only 20 places available and these will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

Invasion Games for Years 4-6

This club will run on **Thursdays** from 3:15 to 4:15pm starting on Thursday 28th February for 6 weeks.

Please complete and return the attached form if your child would like a place in either of these clubs.

KS2 children may walk home after the club as the evenings will be lighter (please indicate on the slip if you give permission for them to do so), KS1 children must be collected by an adult.

Yours sincerely

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Sports Clubs



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Invasion Games Commencing Thursday 28th February for 6 Weeks

Name of pupil Year Group

My child would like to take part in the club and will be collected at 4:15pm by

..... (name)

My child may walk home after Invasion Games Club

Signed Parent/Guardian



Dance Club Commencing Monday 25th February for 6 Weeks

Name of pupil Year Group

My child would like to take part in the Dance Club and will be collected at 4:15pm by

..... (name)

Signed Parent/Guardian



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