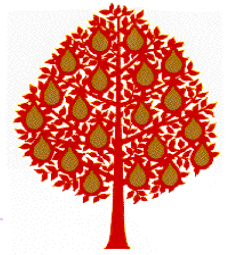


*Whoever you are, be happy, be safe,
be kind, stay sensible, love learning.
Keep caring!*



The Perryfields Post

Dear Parents and Carers

This half term seems to have flown by. As we approach half term it reminds me that we are almost half way through the academic year. It has been a busy half term and next half term we look forward to parents evenings, Science day, World Book Day, teacher clubs starting and the Easter Discos.



The Big Question

We have been working hard on our current Core Value of HONESTY. The children have listened well to the stories of Chloe who told a small lie which got bigger and bigger. They also enjoyed the message in the stories of Pinocchio and The Boy who Cried Wolf. Our young children clearly understand the opposite from honesty and when some pupils have been unkind or done something they know they shouldn't have they have been extremely honest which is wonderful to hear. As we say, honesty is the best policy. I hope this is also having a positive impact at home.

School Attendance—safeguarding

As we approach half term and hopefully the warmer months, please can I remind parents/carers that holidays in term time are not allowed. Children who miss 10% off school are known as Persistently Absent and over a year this would equate to a whole academic year being missed off school, which is a lot of learning time. If attendance gets below 90% you may receive an attendance letter from me asking to meet and discuss any concerns or how we as a school can help.

Please can we remind everyone that you must contact the school office by 8:40am at the very latest giving details as to why your child isn't in school. Please provide details. If we are not informed of an absence then the office staff must call you to ascertain where they are. This takes time to complete and to safeguard all our children this needs to be done as soon as possible. If we do not hear from parents/carers and are unable to make contact with them the child will be considered as Missing in Education and will have to be reported to the Local Authority. Please can I thank everyone in advance for your continued support in this matter.

Perryfields Infant School

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Dates for your diary...

- 14th Feb—Last Day
- Half Term
- 24th Feb—INSET DAY (staff training)
- 25th Feb—Children back to school
- 25th February—KS1 Teacher Clubs to start 3.10—4pm
- 4th March—Parents evening 4:10-6:40pm (Pre-loved uniform sale)
- 4th March—no teacher clubs
- 6th March—World Book Day (author visit)
- 6th March—Parents evening 4:10-6:40pm (Pre-loved uniform sale)
- 7th—16th March National Science week
- 14th March—Science Day in school (details to follow)
- 24th March—National Skipping Day
- 1st April—Last Teacher Club
- 3rd April—EYFS & KS1 Easter Discos (details to follow)

Whole School Trip

As a school we are extremely excited about our whole school trip to Layer Marney Towers on Thursday 24th April. As always, to make this possible we will require payments. If for any reason you will have difficulty in paying for the trip please speak with Mrs Boon in the office.

For our trips we will also need parent/volunteer help. If you already have a school enhanced DBS and are able to help on the trip please speak to the office team. If you don't have an enhanced DBS but would be available to help, please speak to the office. Volunteers with enhanced DBSs will be given priority for safeguarding reasons.

E-Safety

This Tuesday was Safer Internet Day. As a school we always think about online safety when in school and at home. We have recently completed an E-safety pupil survey and once this has been analysed we will feedback the key findings. Please see a link for some child friendly stories about being safe on the internet. Please share at home.

<https://www.childnet.com/resources/digiduck-stories/>

Parents Evening

Please remember to sign up to a 10 minute meeting with the class teacher. Please can I ask that everyone arrives at least five minutes before their chosen time to enable you to look at your children's work beforehand. Also, if you have more than one child in school, please allow at least 20 minutes between appointment times in case of any delays. There is only space for one parents evening slot per child due to time constraints, so we ask that parents come together or if this is not possible for various reasons to alternate parents evenings over the year. During the spring meetings the teachers will give parents a target card to show what their next steps are. Of course, I will be at hand to move people along to ensure we do not over run.

Have a fantastic half term and we look forward to see everyone back in school on Tuesday 25th February.

Best wishes,
Amanda Reid

- **Dates for your diary...**
- 4th April—Last day 1:15pm home time (no Peardrops)
- EASTER HOLIDAY
- 22nd April—Children back to school
- 24th April—Whole School Trip to Layer Marney Towers
- 25th April—Class Photos
- 1st May –Summer teacher clubs begin
- 5th May—Bank Holiday
- 20th May—Open Afternoon 3:10—3:40pm
- 23rd May—Last Day
- 24th May—Half Term
- 2nd June—INSET DAY (staff training/no pupils)
- 6th June—KS1 Swimming (TBC)
- 6th June—Summer Inflatables (FIPS TEAM)
- 19th June—Sports Day (PM)
- 26th June—Move Around Day/Open Evening (TBC)
- 1st July—New EYFS Induction (TBC)
- 7th July—Nw EYFS Induction (TBC)
- 18th July—Year 2 Leavers Assembly 9:15am Pearl Class and 11:00am Diamond Class
- 22nd July—Last day 1:15pm home time (no Peardrops)
- 23rd July—Summer Holidays

Mrs Farmer's Attendance
Award -
Sapphire Class 99.63%