Steam Mills Primary 15.10.21

Dear Parents/Carers,

Class 1 Progress in Reading

Thank you to Class 1 parents for their support in reading at home please. On Thursday, we had a record number of children with reading challenge cards in one day!

Car Park and Track

We now have a date set for the pothole work in the car park and along the track. We will be at school on Monday 25th October at 10:00am. Please let Miss Agg know if you are able to help or just come along with a shovel! Any help, even if just for an hour, would be greatly appreciated, -Many Hands, Make Light Work.

Lateness

We are closely monitoring punctuality, as this is such an important life skill.

Children must be in class by 9.00 a.m. each day. Registers will be taken as soon as possible after that time.

- The school doors open at 8.50am and close at 9.00am. Children who arrive after that time must be accompanied to the office by parent/carer, who should complete a 'late slip'.
- Lateness will be recorded, monitored and followed up, where necessary.

Parent Evenings

Thank you to all those of you booked parent evenings. Just to remind you to log on to eSchools and book this if you have not already done so. Parent Evenings will be taking place remotely this year via Zoom on Tuesday 9th November and Tuesday 16th November. You will be sent Zoom details later. If you would prefer a phone call rather than a zoom meeting, please book an appointment on eSchools and let the school office know that a phone call is preferred. Please contact the school office if you have trouble with logging in and booking.

Guide Dogs 90!

Guess the name of the guide dog will run until Wednesday 20th October and be drawn in assembly on Thursday 21st October. Names are £1 and sold in class each day. This links with Article 23- children with disabilities have the right to access a full life, as much as possible.

Rights Respecting

This week, we have explored World Mental Health and what it means to look after both physical and mental health. It would be great to share some strategies for mindfulness with your child at home. This links to Article 24- The right to access health care, including mental health.

Data Sheets

Please could you check through and make any updates, paying particular attention to address details, contact phone numbers and medical information. Please return these to school by Friday 15th October 2021.

Diary Dates

October

21st Last day of Term **Non-School Uniform**

Day

22nd Inset Day

25th Car Park and Track

Work

November

1 st

Start of Term 2 1st Prostars Club 19th Children in Need

Shoebox deadline 20th

Prostars Sports Clubs

Parents should have received a letter home in book bags with information about the new Prostars Sports Clubs starting after half term. Please return your slip by **Tuesday 19th October**, if your child would like to take part. Once your child has been allocated a place the charge will be put through to your ParentPay account for immediate payment to secure the place. If your child is to attend after school club when the sports club finishes at 4:15pm, then a special rate of £4.25 will be made to align with the usual full charge of £8 for After School Club attendance.

Photos

If you are not ordering on-line, please could all orders for Tempest Photos returned to the school office by **Thursday 21st October**. Thank you

Children in Need Day

Takes place on Friday 19th November. Children can wear non-uniform or a costume of choice. Please donate £1.



Head Teacher Certificates



Pre-school

Marley - great listening and participation at Forest School.

Class 1

Freddie - for using special scientific language when making his lung model.

Caitlin - for working very hard in phonics.

Class 2

Betsy - for being helpful and thinking of others.

Blair - for being brave and talking about her feelings.

Class 3

Tehya - for a good understanding of negative numbers.

Willow Grace - for a well thought out science experiment.

Class 4

Jacob - for being an empathetic and understanding classmate.

Luke - being a supportive classmate.

Shoe Box Appeal

Just to remind you that we are taking part in the 'Shoe Box Appeal' this year. It is a fantastic way to support children in countries that may not receive gifts this year. Please could you ensure that your shoeboxes are in school by **Monday 22nd November 2021**.

Rags to Riches

We have signed up to the Rags2Riches4Schools recycling scheme again, to help others around the world benefit from our good quality unwanted clothes and shoes. The school (FoSM) gets 40p for every kilo we collect of reusable items. Our next collection will be **26 January 2022** so please keep us in mind if you are planning to have a sort out.

Contact/School Issues

Please could we remind parents/carers to use the correct channels of communication when asking about any school related issues. Thank you. admin@steammills.gloucs.sch.uk 01594 822567

Best Wishes Mrs Davis