

Inset Day of Mon 24th Feb

The Inset day included a refresher of fire safety training for all staff. This was followed by a fire drill with the children this week, who evacuated the building quietly and sensibly in under 2 minutes. Well done everyone.

Discos

Everyone seemed to have a great time at the discos and it was lovely to see the children enjoying themselves. Thank you very much to all staff for organising and holding these.

Puppet Show

Woodside Primary are having a visiting puppet show of the Three Billy Goats Gruff on Tuesday 28th April and I would like to invite pre-school to Year Two children from Steam Mills. Please look out for a letter-there will be no charge.

World Book Day - 5th March

Please can children bring in a book and £1 for a book swap day (£1 goes to the school book fund for new books). Children swap books with another child and get to keep that new book.

Easter Celebration

On Friday 3rd April at 9:15am (last day of term), the children will be celebrating Easter with a special assembly taken by Mrs Evans. All parents/carers and governors to the school are welcome.

Clubs

Just to remind you that clubs continue as normal after the half term holidays (February, May/June and October). The clubs are rescheduled after every full term (after Christmas, Easter and at the start of the new school years). This is when we have no clubs for a week to set up the new registers.

Parents Evenings

Parents Evenings are taking place on Wednesday 18th March and Thursday 19th March 2020. Bookings should be made via Eschools from Monday 2nd March, up until Tuesday 17th March. Please contact the school office if you experience any problems accessing Eschools. Thank you

Collection of Children at Home-time

Please can we remind you that if children are to be collected by an alternative adult then you must inform the school, either by letting the adults know on the door in the morning/ breakfast club or via the school office during the day.

Any queries?

Time has flown since I started here and it has been lovely to meet lots of parents during January and February. If we haven't met yet or you have any queries about the leadership arrangements, please do not hesitate to get in touch either by making an appointment or contacting me at either Steam Mills (822567) or Woodside (542287).

Diary Dates

March

5th World Book Day
18th-19th Parents' Evenings

April

3rd Easter Celebration –
9:15am
End of Term – 3:15pm
20th INSET
21st Term 5 starts
Class 4 start Swimming
No clubs 1st week back
w/c New clubs start for
27th Summer Term
28th Puppet Show at
Woodside Primary -
PS,C1&C2

May

8th Bank Holiday
11th SATS week
20th Class Photographs –
Tempest Photography
22nd Sponsored Walk Day
End of term

June

1st Term 6 starts
2nd Class 3 start Gymnastics
3rd- Y5/6 Residential Trip to
5th London
10th Pre-school Sports
Afternoon – 1:30pm
11th Sports Day – 1:00pm
29th Five Acres Welcome
Days for Y6



Steam Mills Superstars!



Pre-School Caitlin & Jasmine

Class 1 Olivia & Noa

Class 2 Corey & Oli

Class 3 Milly & Noa

Class 4 Anais & Georgia



DEMAND AVOIDANCE

WHAT IS IT & HOW CAN I HELP?

Parent & Carer Session

Are you finding that your child has regular meltdowns?

Have you tried to use Autism "friendly" strategies to support their behaviour?

Does your child want to control many aspects of their day?

Children with increasing levels of demand avoidant tendencies are being engaged with across all education and home settings, many of these young people have diagnosis of Autism. Often parents, carers and support staff are trying the usual behaviour and support techniques that are associated with autism and learning difficulties such as praise, reward charts, consequences with many of these exacerbating the situations further and leading to meltdowns and outbursts.

There is a growing notion that terminology such as Autism with Demand Avoidance Behaviours is being provided as a label to young people to help support the staff and signpost to a varied set of strategies to help engage and empower the young people.

The aim of this session is to:

- ♦ give an introduction to the notion of demand avoidance
- ♦ provide some understanding of its root cause & link to anxiety
- ♦ inform of strategies to support the young person to engage

18 March 2020

The Milestone School

10am - 12pm

£15 pp

refreshments provided

More information:-

To reserve a place and purchase a ticket, please visit Eventbrite by copying and pasting the link below into your browser:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/demand-avoidance-what-it-is-how-can-i-help-tickets-93476052389>

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