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Weekly Newsletter

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Attendance w/beg: 20th February 2017
Whole School: 95.58 %
Class of the week: Class 5 98.06 %

VIP Diners

Our VIP diners for next week will be Michael in Class 7, Louis in Class 6 and Niamh in Class 4. Invitations will be sent home tomorrow.

Handwriting Awards

Children are continuing to work hard to achieve an award.

Letters home this week

Pre-order form for Author in school – Monday 6th March
Football for Girls Year 1 & 2
Outdoor Learning Class 8

Week Beginning 6th March 2017

School Dinners

Week 3



Craze of the Week

Cheerleading

Forest School

Group B



Upcoming Diary Dates

Please note all dates are on our website

March

3rd Families to join for story afternoon 2:35pm

9th Classes 2 & 3 to CLC morning only

14th & 15th Runwell Football Club

31st Spring Assembly (pm)

April

3rd-17th April – Easter Holiday

18th National Offer day for 2017 Reception and Year 3 places

World Book Day

Thank you for joining in with our wonderful World Book Day celebrations; the children and staff have had a fantastic day wearing their pants!

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our story telling sessions tomorrow afternoon from 2:35-2:55pm. Can we ask that once the story time has finished please can you wait for your child outside the class room door.

Look out for the book tokens in book bags tonight!

E-Safety

As the designated person for safeguarding in school I am very concerned about some of the online games that Hilltop Infant children are telling us about. Many of the children in KS1 are talking about Five Nights at Freddy's and several children in Year 2 have told us about Call of Duty. These games all have age categories that indicate that they are clearly unsuitable for children of infant age. Other inappropriate games have also been mentioned. Those parents and carers who attended the e-safety evening with The Two Johns last term will realise how serious it can be for children to take part in games or other on-line activities that are unsupervised or unsuitable for their age.

Some families may not realise that their children are accessing games or materials that are not intended for their age group so I would urge you to spend time with your children talking about their use of on line technology and using any games or sites with them so that you understand what is involved. Please take note of the age guidance for games and sites. Mr Ashman and I are both CEOP trained (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) and can provide further advice if you need it. The Two Johns also have a website www.esafetytraining.org with some useful information.

Reminder - KS1 – Jars

Please can all children in Years 1 and 2 bring into school an empty jar, plastic or glass, ideally with a lid by tomorrow, 3rd March. This is for an art activity that will stimulate their writing in class.

Home Learning

Thank you very much to everyone who has collected a copy of the new Home Learning Challenge. Please remember to return these to class teachers 9am next Friday, 10th March so that they can make a record for the first week of the challenge. We are overwhelmed by the response to this new challenge and our delighted that so many families are choosing to take part again.

Author in School – Monday 6th March

We are very lucky to have a visit from author Pip Jones and illustrator Laura Hughes on Monday 6th March. Pip & Laura will be presenting their exciting new book to the children in EYFS & Years 1 & 2 during the morning. There will be an opportunity for the children to meet them and also buy a book and get it signed too. Letters are in book bags today to pre-order a book at a discounted price. These forms must be returned to the school office **tomorrow**. Children can still buy books on the day but for the full price.

Fair Trade Breakfast

We are having a “Fair Trade” breakfast in school on Friday 10th March at 9am, in class. Fair Trade Chocolate, Fair Trade bananas and milk and/or water will be available for a donation of 50p towards our Fair Trade fund. Money will be collected on the day in class. Adults and pre-school children are also welcome to stay. We will be sending out a separate letter tomorrow with a reply slip so we know how much breakfast to buy.

Spring Assembly and Maths workshop

There has been a change to our diary and this has been updated on the website. Our Maths workshops and Spring assemblies will be on 31st March. Further details will be sent home in the next few weeks. The first workshop is at 9am followed by the Spring Assembly and the next will be at 2pm. There will be one ticket per family and booking will be via our on-line booking system.

Parent Consultations for Class 7

Owing to staff absence parent consultations for class 7 have not taken place this term. These are now planned for Friday 10th March from 1-3:30pm and on Monday 13th from 3:30-7pm. Letters with booking information will be sent home tomorrow so that you can book in the usual way.