Diary Dates:

September:

26th - 28th Y6 Robinwood residential 30th Sports skills academy 5B

October:

5th NSPCC assembly 5th Governors AGM 7th Sports skills academy 4/5P 14th Sports skills academy 4M 21st Sports skills academy 3R 21st Finish normal time 21st FOL film club 24th- 28th HALF TERM BREAK 31st Children return to school

4th Friends of Larkfield 7:00pm

November:

1st & 2nd Parents' evenings

Friday 23rd September 2016

Dear Parents,

It really doesn't seem like two weeks since my last newsletter - time obviously flies when you are having fun! I am very proud of the great start the children have made to the new academic year. Our new reception children have settled in very guickly and our new teachers have been made to feel really welcome by the whole school community. The new classroom organisation seems to be working well and we are in the process of improving arrangements at lunchtime, so that children have a greater range of activities to involve themselves in. Each class now has a brand new set of equipment for lunchtime use and Mrs. Neilson is co-ordinating and monitoring lunchtime activities to ensure that an effective rota is in place so that all year groups get a fair turn.

Everton F.C. disability sports team:

The team have paid us two visits over the past fortnight to work with all the children across Y1-6. The children took part in different accessible sports including blindfold football and seated volleyball. The leaders commented on how well the children got involved and their superb behaviour. I have been asked to mention that there is a disability football session every Tuesday evening at Dunes leisure centre between 4-5pm for any children with any form of disability.

Friends of Larkfield:

As I have mentioned before, The Friends of Larkfield play an invaluable role in our school. They organise a whole range of popular events [discos, film nights, breakfast with Santa, bingo, fairs etc etc] which are not only enjoyable but also raise a significant amount of money to spend on the children. All parents and carers of Larkfield children are entitled to be members and you can give as much or as little time as you are able - the key for us is to get lots of people involved. The next meeting of FOL will take place on Tuesday 4th October at 7:00pm in the staffroom, where we will be planning the events for the school year. Please come along and support FOL - even if its just to find out about it and have a coffee and a chat... there may even be biscuits...

Blue information letters:

If you were sent a blue information form can you please complete and return ASAP. We need this information for the annual school census, which determines how much money the school receives.

Dogs on site:

Someone has been walking a dog through the school site, which has a fondness for fouling the grass by the staffroom. This may be someone unrelated to school, but if it does belong to any of our families, please do the responsible thing and clear up. If anyone sees the culprit, we would be very grateful for any information.



Allergies:

Just to reiterate, two children in school have a severe nut allergy. With immediate effect we would like your help by ensuring that <u>nuts and nut products are not brought into school at all.</u> Peanut butter, Nutella, some energy bars etc are all potentially dangerous for these children. The children come into such close contact throughout the day that the only safe way for us to proceed is via a complete ban on these items. Thank you for your cooperation.

The usual reminders:

Breakfast club: starts at 7:50 - please do not leave your children unattended outside school before this time.

Parking: Parents' cars should not be on site <u>at any time</u> [with the exception of children with a disability or parents with a blue badge]. Please park off site and walk in.

And finally...

Following elections last week, our new school council took office today. Mr. Palmen presented the councillors with their badges of office at a special assembly attended by their parents and their first task, as always, was a power lunch with the staff and previous councillors. The hard work starts next week!

LARKFIELD SCHOOL COUNCIL 2016-17		
Class	Councillor	
26	George Taylor	
26	Hope Webster	
23 <i>C</i>	Olivia Dentith	
23 <i>C</i>	Archie Wane	
3R	Alex Sheldon	
3R	Evie Johnson	
4M	Isaac Parkinson Williams	
4M	Emily Kalthoeber	
45P	Callum Andrew	
45P	Thea Midgley	
5B	Shannon Casey	
5B	Thomas Lee	
6D	Georgia Mercer	
6D	Madie Kaczurynski	
6F	Frankie Richmond	
6F	Ruby Horner	

Yours sincerely,

Mr.J.D.Ward Headteacher

