

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017

## Diary Dates:

### May:

17<sup>th</sup> New Parents' Meeting  
24<sup>th</sup> Group Photographs (sports teams etc)

May 29<sup>th</sup> - June 2<sup>nd</sup> Half term

### June:

5<sup>th</sup> INSET Day  
7<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Bikeability  
8<sup>th</sup> School closed - General election  
14<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Bikeability  
23<sup>rd</sup> Sports Day

Dear Parents,

Firstly, you may have heard the news that Mr Ward has unfortunately broken his wrist after participating in some high-risk decorating! Thankfully, he is alright and is hoping to be back in school after the half-term break. Until that point, I will be here to support you in whichever way I can. It has been a busy few weeks at Larkfield with various events taking place across the school.

### Red Nose Day:

Children from every year group at Larkfield, participated in a range of activities to raise money for Comic Relief. There was a superb talent show that showcased: singing - dancing

- magic tricks - comedy acts and a dance from the teachers that would have left Diversity quite literally gobsmacked! Altogether the school raised £238.41 - so thank you for your support.



### Farmer Ted's:

Reception and Year 1 children had a fantastic day at a recent trip to Farmer Ted's. They had a tractor ride, groomed a pony and met the guinea pigs and the ferrets. They also had the chance to meet some more exotic creatures including a snake, tarantula and a bearded dragon.

## **Behaviour:**

The introduction of a new behaviour system in our school has been an immediate success - with a large rise in positive behaviour and a massive reduction in mis-behaviour amongst our children. Teachers and parents have reported that children now have a better idea of how to conduct themselves in school, coupled with greater clarity over what happens when something goes wrong. We will continue to adapt the system as we progress through the year and will always listen to any feedback you wish to give.

## **School Crossing Patrol Vacancy:**

Sefton Council are looking to recruit people to become School Crossing Patrols across Sefton. They are appealing to any parents, grandparents and friends who can spare a few hours each week. They are offering £8 per hour plus expenses where necessary. Please contact Christine Gillespie on 0151 288 6153.

## **Headlice:**

A reminder to be vigilant in constantly checking and treating for headlice please. If you are not already aware, headlice treatment can be obtained free from your local pharmacy under the 'Care at the Chemist' initiative.

## **Suncream & Sun Hats:**

As we now finally have warm weather again, can I please remind you that sun-cream should be applied before school and a named bottle brought to school to top up. It is essential all children in Reception have a legionnaire or wide brimmed hat and sun cream as they frequently access outdoor, continuous provision.

Yours sincerely,

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