

Sunnyfields Newsletter



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Newsletter 2
Autumn Term

20th September 2013

Dear Parents and carers,

It seems we are paying for our lovely summer with wet and gloomy autumnal weather! However, this doesn't seem to dampen the spirits of Sunnyfields children and staff as we settle into the new school year.

Clubs have got off to a flying start, with others in the pipe line, so watch this space! Swimming at Poolside Manor starts today and I am confident that this will be a much better experience for your children.

Following on from last year's success, next week the PE department at Middlesex University will start lessons for some classes.

Every Child a Reader

As you can see, we have a new addition to our letterhead: ECaR, Every Child a Reader is an intervention programme to support young children who struggle with reading. We are now an accredited provider of ECaR so congratulations to all involved, including Ms Meyer, the ECaR lead teacher.

We are hoping to follow up this successful intervention with ECC: Every Child Counts, a similar approach to support lower attainers in Maths.

Half Termly Letter from Class Teachers

By now you will have received your half termly letter from your class teacher. In addition, this is available on the website under your child's class. Please take time to discuss this with your child so you are aware of particular topics and projects they are involved in.

FOSA Needs You!

FOSA stands for Friends of Sunnyfields Association. FOSA arranges fundraising that enables the school to buy important equipment. It is also a great way to get involved in the school, meet new people and have fun! The FOSA Annual General Meeting is in the hall 10th October at 6pm. This is an important initial meeting to elect committee members and discuss future plans. Please come to this meeting and encourage other parents as well. Light refreshments will be served and there will be a meeting at 6.30pm to plan events.

Attendance and Punctuality - Holidays During Term Time

We are hoping to maintain the high levels of attendance achieved last year but we can only do this by working in partnership with you.

Requests for absence from school must be submitted using the correct form available from the office. Can I remind you that unless there are exceptional circumstances, I will not be authorising holidays taken during term time.

Barnet Police Open Day

On Sunday there is an exciting event that families may like to attend at Colindale Police Station. Attractions include the Metropolitan Police mounted branch, the dog team and helicopter flyby. Further details can be found on our website.

Parental Queries

Please remember to direct your enquiries to Mrs Ellis at the school office as she deals with day to day queries from parents. She is available every morning from 8.30 am except Friday from 8.45 am and also at the end of the day at 3.15pm. Should you need to meet me, Ms Meyer or Mrs Richards, an appointment can be made via the office.

With very best wishes

Mrs Rees



**SECONDARY TRANSFER UPDATE
APPLICATION DEADLINE 31st October 2013**

All necessary information has now been sent to parents.
If you have any queries please see Mrs Barber as soon as possible.
We sent a text this week regarding the aptitude test at St Marys & St Johns which is due on 24th September.
Please be sure to call 020 8202 0026 to arrange for your child to take the test on 1st October instead.
To change the test date for QE Boys to 3rd October you need to call 020 8440 7500.

Year 6 PGL School Journey on Monday

Parents do need to see Ms Malaj in the hub on Monday morning if their child has medication for school journey.

Children do not need to wear or bring school uniform.

Parents can wave the coach off after lunch from the school car park. Please do not park in Hatchcroft as full access is needed for the coach.

Please label ALL property as we have already seen new uniform with no name label.

It will be so much easier to find if it does get lost or mislaid.
Thank you.

ParentPay and CashPoint Queries

If you would like to see Mrs Fox regarding any queries that you have regarding making payments and our cashless system, the best time to see her is on Wednesday morning or afternoon.

**Real Tennis
Years 4, 5 and 6
at
Middlesex University**

Please return your forms to the office by Tuesday at the latest so that they can be passed on to the University staff.

You will need to make payment directly to the staff when you collect your child at the end of the session. Children receiving free school meals do not have to pay for this club.

Football Clubs at Sunnyfields
ALL members of any football club at Sunnyfields must wear shin pads for protection.

More Extreme Reading Challenge photos!

