

# Newsletter

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO SCHOOL AND END OF DAY

As of this week children in Robins class should be dropped off and collected at their classroom. All other children should enter school via the gate at the left hand side of school and make their way around the new build to go into their classrooms. This is also where parents should go at the end of the day to wait in the playground for children to be dismissed. Children in SWANS and HERONS will be brought to the front of school and this is where parents should wait to collect them.

## PHOTOGRAPHS

School photographs were taken on Tuesday last week. Thank you to our office staff who organised the morning and ensured things ran smoothly. Our photographer was very impressed with the behaviour of the children in school and the calm atmosphere. Congratulations to all the children who behaved so well. Please ensure you have returned the proof cards and your orders by Monday 12<sup>th</sup>.

## REMINDERS

Please could we ask that you return photo proof cards and orders by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October?

Year 1 to Year 6 - the letter regarding Flu immunisation should be returned by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October. If you do not wish your child to have the immunisation you still need to return the form telling us this. Thank you

## FAIR FUNDING CAMPAIGN

You may or may not be aware that Leicestershire is one of the lowest funded education authorities in the country. The government had promised to look at a fair funding formula so that some of the discrepancies between authorities were ironed out. This would mean that our children in Leicestershire would receive a greater amount of money per pupil which will enable us to provide a better standard of education for them. Many of our schools are in deficient budgets and facing staffing redundancies and inadequate teaching resources as a result of poor funding. It now appears that the government might not be carrying out the fair funding review this year as promised. But seeking to delay this. We have been urged to encourage you to sign the fair funding campaign petition so that our children can receive the funding they need as soon as possible in order to give them a good standard of education.

The petition reads as follows:

*The petition of residents of North West Leicestershire,*

*Declares that the petitioners believe the existing school funding model in England is arbitrary and unfair; further declares that the ten best funded areas of England have on average received grants of £6,300 per pupil this year, compared to an average of £4,200 per pupil in the ten most poorly funded areas of England; and further declares that the petitioners welcome the Government's commitment to introduce fairer school funding.*

*The petitioners therefore request that the House of Commons supports the earliest possible introduction of a new National Funding Formula for schools in England.*

If you feel able to support this then please sign the petition which can be found in the school entrance area.

### NEW BUILDING OPEN EVENT

Thank you to all who attended the opening of our new building. We hope you are as impressed as we are with our lovely new classrooms, studio and library area.

Many thanks also to those parents who donated and purchased cakes for the event and to the PTA ladies who served the refreshments.

### SILVER GAMES MARK

We are proud to announce that we have achieved the silver games mark. The Mark rewards school for their commitment to and the development of competition, school sport and physical education.

### HARVEST FESTIVAL

We hope you enjoyed our Harvest Festival Service at Church last week. The children, as always, were impeccably behaved. Thank you to all those who donated either Harvest gifts or who gave contributions to the Toilet Twinning charity which totalled £86.47.

Some of our Year 6 children helped to distribute baskets to the community and were praised by volunteers from Christchurch for their excellent behaviour and manners.



### WATER WATER EVERYWHERE

Swans Class have been finding out how water gets from A to B, how it gets to our taps and what happens to it along the way.

