



## Newsletter

### 31st January 2014



### Teacher training day

School will be closed on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February** for our final teacher training day of this academic year.

### Behaviour in school

I am aware that some parents are concerned about an assembly delivered yesterday to the children regarding behaviour.

We have noticed the behaviour of a **very small minority** of children deteriorating and some children have spoken to staff about the behaviour some children are displaying. I am sure you would agree that school would be failing in their duty of care to the children if we did not address this problem and were not being seen to be addressing the problem by the other children.

We delivered an assembly about acceptable behaviour in school; such as manners, good behaviour being rewarded, trips and trust, i-pad access during unstructured times and safe play. We reminded children why we had these behaviour expectations - for their safety, well-being and right to learn, which the children accepted. We emphasised strongly that children who are well behaved will be rewarded – as the well behaved children are actually the vast majority of the school.

### Trip to London or France

At the moment a trip to France for next year's year 5 and 6 children seems to be the favourite – if your child is in the current year 4 or 5 and has a burning desire for us to organise a visit to London or France please ask them to speak to me.

### Derwent Hill

Forms went home today for the children visiting Derwent Hill next half term, I would be grateful if these could be returned on Tuesday.

### February disco

A disco letter should have been sent home with your child tonight, if your child would like to go to the disco on 13<sup>th</sup> February please return the slip and £2.00 money no later than next Friday.

### After school clubs

From Monday if your child is supposed to attend an after school club but can't make it we would appreciate it if you could either write a note or ring the school office. Without this we are unable to let children leave the site until the end of the after school club.



### Keyboards lessons

Unfortunately due to the ill health of the keyboard teacher our key board lessons are not taking place, if any parents know of any good keyboard teachers who would like to work with our children could they please let me know

### Holidays and attendance

In next Friday's assembly we will be presenting our children who have 100% attendance for last term. We are also going to be rewarding classes for best overall attendance on a weekly basis.

I have explained already that unfortunately I am unable to authorise family holidays during school time due to government legislation.



### Dates for your diary

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- February
  - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET
  - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Sparkle at Seven Stories
  - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Sunshine and Rainbow at the Baltic
  - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Disco
  - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Break up
  - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Back to school
  - Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Parents night
- March
  - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Year 5 at the Gala Theatre to see War Horse
  - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> World Book Day
  - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Derwent Hill
  - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Year 6 at the Safety Carousel