



Corporation Road Community Primary School

March Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support over the Autumn Term and for this half-term with World Book Day. The children looked great and all the children visited Waterstones to choose their free book. A child in each class was awarded a prize and chose a book for their class from Waterstones.

As we begin a new half-term, I would like to make you aware of some key events coming, give you an attendance update and make you aware of some new features within school.

Safeguarding update

Safeguarding is very high on the school agenda at all times. School has a display in school where children have told staff which people in school keep them safe. A standing item in school council meetings is safeguarding and children are encouraged to share any concerns they may have in school and any concerns are acted upon. Within the parental questionnaire parents and carers have commented on how they value the new security measures we have put in place across school to continue to keep their children safe.

Health and Well Being

Allergies

There are an increasing number of children in school who are allergic to a number of different foods. Whilst school can monitor what is eaten at breakfast and lunchtime, it is very difficult to monitor food that has been brought into school from home, for example birthday cakes and sweets. School is also concerned about the cost to parents and carers when it is their child's birthday and they feel obliged to buy a cake to bring into school. School have asked the children about this and they have agreed that as from Monday 13th March, instead of bringing sweets and cakes into school when it is their birthday, the children will be allowed to wear their 'home clothes' on their birthday and ring the school bell. If their birthday is during the holidays or on a weekend, they will be allowed this treat on the Friday before they break up. Can I also ask that those children, who attend FILM CLUB, do not bring in any food or sweets that contain nuts.

School Website.

The school has a new website, which is updated on a regular basis and this can be found at <http://corporationroadschool.co.uk>.

Twitter and Facebook

The school now has both Twitter and Facebook accounts and details of this will go out in a separate letter.

Polling Day - School P.D. Day

The school will be closed for Polling Day on Thursday 4th May. School will take this as a P.D. Day. However, Year 6 children will be in school all day as they are busy preparing for SATS. Year 6 children will be provided with a packed lunch if they normally have a free school meal, however, children who normally pay for lunch or bring a packed lunch will need to bring their own packed lunch on that day.

Marvellous Me

This has been very popular and parents, carers and pupils have all shown a very positive response to this. Currently 88% of our children have at least one parent or carer engaged with Marvellous Me.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all of those who attended their child's Pupil Progress meeting. I would also like to thank those of you who also completed the parental questionnaire. I have analysed the questionnaire and will send it out to parents at the end of the week.

Attendance and lateness

Pupils' punctuality has significantly improved and up to Monday 6th March attendance currently stands at 96.6%.

Lates before the register is closed.

If children are late for school they will miss guided reading in their class. If children are not able to read they will not be able to access any other part of the curriculum.

Class	Lates	Number of children
1	13	6
3	27	13
4	36	11
5	37	7
6	34	9
7	41	13
8	24	9
9	44	8
10	36	8
11	12	7
13	20	9
14	6	5
15	18	5
16	19	7

Lates after the register is closed and therefore affect attendance

Class	Lates	Number of children
1	0	0
3	2	2
4	2	2
5	8	1
6	2	2
7	10	3
8	0	0
9	0	0
10	0	0
11	0	0
13	2	1
14	2	2
15	4	2
16	1	1

Well done to classes 1,8,9,10 and 11 as they have had no lates after the register has closed.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Ann Pringleton (Headteacher)