

Head Teacher: Mrs E. Cook Deputy Head Teacher: Mrs D. Ellithorn

February Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

It doesn't seem long since we were welcoming the children back after Christmas break and here we are at the end of a half term. I wish you all a safe and restful week. Mrs Cook

World Book Day-Thursday 7th March

Cosy reading day is the theme we have chosen for this year's World Book Day, Children can come to school dressed in comfy clothing and we will spend the day being cosy and enjoying books. You are also invited to come in and enjoy a cosy reading session with your child on this date. There will also be a special lunch on that day, If your child is on packed lunches and would like a school dinner on that day, please let the school office know.

Red Nose Day-Friday 15th March

Dress up for joy is the theme for this year's Red Nose Day. The children can come to school dressed in what makes them happy (as long as it is suitable for school). Suggested donation of £1 for Comic Relief. Staff will be planning fun activities for the children throughout the day.

Parking

Please see below for a message from the police

Hello All, I am the local Neighbourhood Beat Officer (NBO) for the Radcliffe West ward, and one of four police officers dedicated to Radcliffe. I'm writing to give a brief heads-up to parents/guardians/school visitors that due to consistent complaints from residents, parents, and partner agencies – including Schools – the way in which we police parking/traffic offences is changing. In November last year we transitioned from an 'Engage & Explain' to an 'Enforcement' phase, when it comes to blatant traffic/parking violations. At the time, St John's Primary School had faded out yellow school zig-zags, and so these weren't enforceable. Now that the lines are back, we are asking drivers to adhere to Highway Code 238; you "MUST NOT" stop or drop off at certain times on school yellow lines. This is to ensure the safety of Children crossing the road and other motorists passing the school with unobstructed views. The matter is an enforceable offence and we will start issuing tickets should drivers continue to ignore the lines. I am disappointed that I have already had to advise a number of drivers to move off the lines already. This grace period at St John's will end though, so please respect the controlled zone, and understand why it exists in the first place – to increase safety!

Family Breakfast

Please join us in the hall from 8am on Thursday 14^{th} March for family breakfast.

Shoes

Please remember that school shoes should be all black, sensible shoes. Laces only if children can tie them themselves. For P.E children must be in appropriate trainers or pumps. Any child wearing incorrect uniform on any day will be provided with a pair of black school pumps to wear for the day.

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Headwear

Reminder that religious head coverings must be school colours, red, white, or black. We have spare in school for children to swap and wear if they arrive in other colours.

Hair accessories should also be school colours and not too big.

<u>Attendance</u>

Medical evidence is required to authorise all dentist, doctor, and other medical appointments. Please wherever possible make appointments for outside of school time. Appointments without evidence will be marked as unauthorised.

Parents' Evening-Thursday 20th March

Please make sure you can log on to our Parent Portal app. A text will be sent out after half term for you to book your slot to meet with your child's class teacher. You can also view your child's attendance on the Parent Portal as well, and we will soon be using other features on it too. Please call in to the school office if you are having trouble logging in to the app.

Parent Code of Conduct

We understand that as parents, your child is everything and you would do anything for them; as a school, we value and do our very best for each child and our staff go above and beyond. We know that sometimes there might be instances when you need to speak to us about a concern, however verbal abuse of staff will not be tolerated. Please read our code of conduct

https://www.stjohnsraddiffe.co.uk/documents/key-information/policies/parent-code-of-conduct.pdf

Spring - Diary Dates

Friday 16th February-Break up for half term

Monday 26th February Schools reopens

Monday 26th February - Friday 8th March - Y5 Swimming at Bury Swimming Pool (every afternoon)

Thursday 7th March-World Book Day

Thursday 14th March - 8am - Family Breakfast - School Hall - All Welcome

Friday 15th March-Red Nose Day-Dress for Joy

Wednesday 20th March - 3.45pm-6.10pm - Parents/Carers' Evening

Thursday 28th March - 10am - Easter Service - St Thomas' Church - Reception to Y6- All children attend.

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