



Thursday 30th March 2017

NEWSLETTER

From the Acting Headteacher...

Dear Parents,

Here we are at the end of another term. It certainly feels as though the terms are rushing by. Once again the children have been working very hard in their lessons this term.

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the recent 'Book Look'. I am sure you will agree that the books are looking good and the classrooms are really showing off some of the fabulous work that is being done in school. If you were unable to attend our open evening please contact your child's class teacher to arrange an alternative time.

Please be reminded that Friday 31st March is a PD day so school is closed to all children. The first day of the summer term is **Tuesday 18th April**.

Have a happy and healthy Easter break.

Regards

Caroline James



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WARNING:



Please DO NOT park in the staff car park in the morning, to drop off children. This is preventing members of staff from parking and therefore delaying them getting into school. If this continues, we will have to take further action to patrol the car park, further distracting staff from our core purpose of children's learning and welfare. Some drivers, when challenged, have been rude. **We don't do that at St Christopher's!**

Matthew 28:6

He is not here; he has risen. Just as he said.

Being a parent...

Roll Back The Stone- Year 3 and 4 production

What an absolute treat the production was. The children were truly fantastic; the singing, dancing, acting and narration was incredible. The props and costumes were well put together. This was definitely a production that the West End would have been proud of. Thank you to all staff involved with putting on this production and thank you to the parents for helping with the learning of lines, song words and preparing of costumes.



Red Lodge Feast

If you are interested in helping to organise and run the fantastic event we are planning in the summer, please do give your name and contact details to the school office.

We hope that this will be an event the whole of the community will get involved in. It has amazing potential and is an exciting opportunity. A proportion of the money raised will benefit the school; the rest will be available for groups from our community to apply for in small grants. However, the principle will be that groups must contribute to the Feast event in some way, in order to benefit from the fund.

**THE RED LODGE
FEAST**

Lost Property

We have amassed a large collection of Lost Property this term, including a number of coats. There will be a 'Lost Property Week' when we come back to school after the Easter break when all the lost property will be available for you to look through after school. After this week, any items which are not claimed and have no name in them will be bagged up and given to a local charity shop.

Please could we remind you to ensure that ALL items of clothing, shoes and school bags need to be named, in order for them to be returned to the rightful owner should they get misplaced.

Dinner Money

Please note it is School Policy that dinner money should be paid in advance on a Monday if your child has regular school meals, or they may pay on the day if they only have dinner occasionally. If it is more convenient, you may pay monthly, half-termly or termly and the school office will be happy to give you a forecast.

There is currently dinner money arrears of over £250 throughout the school and this shortfall is currently being subsidised from the school's budget. If you have received a message or statement informing you of outstanding arrears, please could you arrange to clear this as soon as possible.



VACANCY

We will have a vacancy for an MDSA in the school after Easter. Please keep checking the school website for more information on this position. Our website address is www.stcprimary.suffolk.sch.uk

Dates for your diary

Summer Term 2017

Wednesday 19 th April	Y3 Trip to Norwich Castle Museum
Wednesday 26 th April	Parent Forum 2pm
Thursday 11 th May	Dental Checks – Early Years to Y4 pupils only
Week commencing 22 nd May	Bikeability for Years 5 & 6 – more information to follow

Attendance:

Reminder that parents MUST call the school if your child is ill and absent from school. Please note:

- If you are leaving a message on the answerphone, 'Unwell' is not an acceptable reason. We need to know more specifically what the problem is.
- If no explanation has been logged, the school will continue to call parents to find out.
- It is essential that all contact details are up-to-date so that we can get hold of parents in an emergency.

We are also aware that doctors will not provide 'certificates' or letters to say that a child is ill. If a child has to see a doctor, all we require as a school is to see evidence of the appointment, such as an appointment card, a letter about the appointment or a copy of any prescription

The government have set the target for attendance at...

96%

The class with the highest attendance for Spring Term 2 is.....

Willow Class with 97.32%

Kanga	96.33%
Eeyore	89.57%
Oak	97.19%
Elm	93.25%
Beech	96.62%
Rowan	95.23%
Larch	91.68%
Willow	97.32%
Maple	97.18%
Scots Pine	89.03%
Juniper	96.36%
Sycamore	95.54%
Horse Chestnut	95.55%

