# Weekly Newsletter – 13th March 2017

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## **Shop for Schools**

We have again been lucky enough to be selected for this promotion which is running in the Four Seasons Shopping Centre in Mansfield form Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March to Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

If you make a purchase during this time, take your receipts to the Customer Service Desk outside Debenhams where you can swap your receipts for points vouchers. These can them be posted in the letter box belonging to Birklands.

Look out for Bonus Points vouchers in the Chad as well as extra points being available at the FREE Easter Buzzy B Workshops during the Easter holidays.

If you shop on a Sunday or Bank Holiday you will receive triple points! Also, visit the library to loan a books and you can receive points vouchers from the library reception desk.

The school that has earnt the most points at the end of the promotion will be awarded £3000 to spend on resources or activities of their choice, with the runner up receiving £1000!







# Happening this week

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March
EYFS Coffee morning 9am
Anti-Bullying workshop 9am
Phonics Club 3-4pm
Football Club 3-4.15pm
Sport 4 Kidz lunch time
activities

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March Phonics Club 3-4pm Choir Club 3-4pm Y6 English Booster 3-4pm

KS1 After School Club

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March Lego Club – lunch time

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March Newspaper Club 3-4pm Year 6 Maths Club 3-4pm

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March Corporal Butcher after school club 3-4pm

#### PE Days

Reception – Monday Year 1 - Weds & Thurs

Year 2 – Mon & Weds

Year 3 - Thurs & Fri

Year 4 – Mon & Fri

Year 5 - Thurs (swim) & Fri

Year 6 - Weds & Fri

#### Lateness

We are noticing that more and more children are arriving late in school. A reminder that the school bell goes at 8.45 and all children must be in the school playground at that time ready to line up and start their learning on time. As a school we are reviewing our policy on lateness and how we deal with it.

#### Office hours

Please note that school office hours are 7.30am to 3.30pm. If you wish to telephone or visit the school office, please make sure it is between these times.

## After School Clubs

As you are aware, the safety of our children is our number one priority. To help with this, all parents/carers are asked to wait outside when collecting children from after school clubs. The children will then be dismissed from the main school doors by the club leader. This will hopefully ease the congestion and make it easier for us to ensure the children are leaving school safely.

## Tombola

A little reminder that tombola gifts can be brought to the school office at any time up until the Easter Fair being held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Anything and everything appreciated!

## Year 3/4 Play

This year we are being treated to a performance of 'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies' by our Siskin and Kittiwake classes. Rehearsals are well underway and the children are looking forward to the performance. The show will take place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March with performances at 1.45 and 5.30. Tickets cost £1.50 and are available now from the school office.

# Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers



Sainsbury's are again giving vouchers out for any shopping purchased until  $2^{nd}$  May. We will be collecting vouchers to hopefully get some more sports equipment for the school. If you have any vouchers please bring them in to the school office.

# Warsop Library Books

Please can you check at home so see if you have any outstanding library books to return to Warsop library? While children's library loans do not incur an overdue fine, it is important that they are returned so other children can enjoy them. We are happy to collect any Warsop Library books at Birklands, please hand in to the office or the class teacher.

While you are looking for library books, please also check for any Birklands books you may have at home as our book stock is diminishing. Thank you.

## Mother's Day Gifts

Don't forget that this Mother's Day the PTFA are organising some amazing handmade gifts for all the well deserving Ladies out there.

These will be personalised by your children/grandchildren in their own unique style. These will cost £1.50 each but represents great value for money!

If you wish to purchase one of these gifts, all money must be brought into school by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. If money is brought in after this date you will receive a gift but it won't be personalised.



## More Important News



# Stars of the week ending 10<sup>th</sup> March were:

Reception – Stanislaw Grala & Danny Lee

Year 1 – Charlie Atkin & William Elce

Year 2 – Jemima Foster & Leila Henson

Year 3 – Paris Neill & Pauliasi Dau

Year 4 – Lucas Rayner & Ruby-Louise Widdowson

Year 5 – Hope Snuggs & Hannah Smith

Year 6 – Kateland Furnell & Jamie Walker

The best behaved classes last week were the Nightingales in Year 5 and the Goldcrests in Year 6 – well done!

# We would love you to...

Join us for Maths games on a Tuesday morning from 8.30am.

Reading every Thursday morning from 8.30am.

CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE A TEAM POINT EVERY TIME THEY ATTEND!!

Breakfast Club is held on a daily basis from 8.00am to 8.30am at a cost of £1.20



## **Attendance**

The class with the best attendance last week were the Siskins year 4 with 99% - well done to them.

Attendance throughout the rest of the school was 95.3% which is still well below target. The class with the worst attendance were the Kittiwakes in Year 3 with only 89.5%

Please remember that children can come to school with minor illnesses such as headaches and coughs/colds – we will look after them! If your child is going to be absent from school, please let the school office know as soon as possible and before 9am. A lot of children are coming into school late. Please remember that school starts at 8.45am.

We are currently working with Meden's Attendance Officer who will be making home visits if we do not have a valid reason for your child's absence.