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BIRKLANDS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Happening this week

Mother's Day Gifts



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 17th March. If money is brought in after this date you will receive a gift but it won't be personalised.

A letter will be coming out this week with details of how to order.



Monday 27th February

Phonics Club 3-4pm
Football Club 3-4.15pm
Sport 4 Kidz lunch time activities

Tuesday 28th February

Ofsted in school
Phonics Club 3-4pm
Choir Club 3-4pm

Wednesday 1st March

Ofsted in school
EYFS Bring Your Parents to
Phonics Session 9am
Lego Club – lunch time

Thursday 2nd March

World Book Day
Newspaper Club 3-4pm
Year 6 Maths Club 3-4pm

Friday 3rd March

Birklands Book Shop
Year 1 visit to Warsop Library
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

Ofsted

As you are aware, Ofsted are in school on Tuesday 28th February and Wednesday 1st March. As parents, your views are important to us. Please take some time to fill out the parent survey at www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk.

World Book Day/Readathon Week

Don't forget that Thursday is World Book Day and children are invited to come into school dressed up as their favourite book character. Let's see what you can do!

Readathon is a national sponsored reading event which raises money to support seriously ill children across the UK. It also supports your child's reading by encouraging them to read more. School will receive vouchers to access free books for school linked to the amount of sponsor money we raise.

Birklands Book Shop

Siskin Class are using our enterprise grant from the PTFA to open a pop up Birklands Book Shop. The Book Shop will be open on the first Friday of every month at morning playtime starting this coming Friday 3rd March.

We will have second hand and new books for sale at pocket money prices. The lowest price will be 20p for second hand books going up to a maximum of £2 for new books.

Don't forget to bring money to school on Friday if you would like to buy one of our bargain books.

Competitions

A reminder that the PTFA and School Council are running a completion to design new markings for the Key Stage 1 playground. Entries close on Friday 3rd March.

Also, we have our writing competition that runs through to Monday 6th March. Children are invited to write a story inspired by any one of the following starters:

The lights flickered and then went off, then the sirens started, it was coming, we knew it wouldn't be the last time...

Closer and closer it came, it was getting bigger and bigger, soon it filled the sky above, was the moon falling?

I pushed open the old creaky door and looked inside. What a sight met my eyes!

Children can add illustrations and write as little or as much as they like. The winner will be presented with a £10 gift voucher.

We will also be holding an Easter Bonnet/Basket competition with entries to be in school by 30th March. There will be a prize for the best one in each class.

Tombola Prizes

After the huge success of our Christmas Fair we are now rather short of tombola prizes. If you have any gifts that you can contribute towards this stall at the Easter Fair then please bring into school at any time. The Easter fair is being held on Thursday 30th March.

Meal Rise

Please be advised that with effect from Tuesday 18th April, the cost of a school meal will rise to £2.30

PTFA AGM

This is being held on Wednesday 8th March 9 – 10.30am in the lower hall. Please come along if you would like to find out more about what they do and how you can get involved.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers



Sainsbury's are again giving vouchers out for any shopping purchased until 2nd 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.

More Important News



Stars of the week ending 24th February were:

Reception – Jessica Elce & Lewis Sime
Year 1 – Lahni Mellors & Klarissa Zhuta
Year 2 – Nikayla Lowe & Louisa Oxley
Year 3 – Alex Morris & Owdin Gill
Year 4 – Kirstey Coppin & Felicity Insley
Year 5 – Owen Alsop & Hannah Smith
Year 6 – Holly Brown & Jodie Walters

The best behaved classes last week were the Jays in Year 1 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



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Attendance

The class with the best attendance last week were the Jays in Year 1 with 99.67%. 😊 Well done to them although attendance throughout the rest of the school was not good with us only managing an average of 93.99%, which is the worst so far this academic year. The class with the worst attendance were the Kittiwakes in Year 3 with only 85.71% 😞

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.