



NEWSLETTER – MARCH 2019

NUMERACY MORNING

The children enjoyed many fun numeracy activities on Friday 15 February and lots of creative items of clothing and accessories were on display. Thank you for your donations for Alder Hey Children's Hospital which have amounted to £400.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Attached to this Newsletter is a leaflet giving some details about World Book Day on Thursday 7 March 2019 and how we are planning to celebrate it in Dundela.

PARENT INTERVIEWS

A reminder that Parent Teacher interviews will take place week commencing Monday 11 March 2019. **School will finish at 1.00pm for all P1-P3 children Monday 11 – Friday 15 March.** School dinners and packed lunches will be taken as normal. Details about date and time for interviews have been sent home with this Newsletter. Please remember to return the reply slip as soon as possible. **Please remember that School will be closed on Monday 18 March for a School Development Day.**

ATTENDANCE

The Educational Welfare Officer (EWO) has reviewed the attendance of pupils from September to mid-February. The majority of children have a high attendance rate however a number of children fall below the threshold of 85% and I have already made contact with some parents where concerns about attendance have been highlighted. Please remember that a note should be sent into school on the day the child returns to school giving the reason for the absence.

P3 HOMEWORK CLUB

P3 Homework Club will finish for Term 2 on Monday 8 and Tuesday 9 April.

P3 WEDNESDAY CLUBS

The last day of P3 Wednesday Clubs will be Wednesday 10 April. P3 Wednesday Clubs are not held in Term 3.

P2 HEARSAY CLUB

P2 HearSay Club will continue on the dates given in the initial letter. The dates are also on the calendar on the school website.

END OF TERM

School will finish on Friday 12 April at **12.15pm – there will be no dinners or packed lunches.** School will re-open on Monday 29 April.

POLLING STATION

We have been advised that the school building will be used as a Polling Station for the local elections on Thursday 2 May 2019. There will be no school on that date.

PTA NEWS

QUIZ – Tickets are still available for this event at £5 per person. If you have lost the original order form please send a note in an envelope with your name, your child's name and class and the number of tickets required along with payment.

CAKE SALE - Thank you to all those who supplied cakes, buns etc and those who came along to purchase some treats. Special thanks to those who helped sort, price and sell the cakes. The excellent amount of £395 was raised.

MARATHON – Two teams have been entered for the Belfast City Marathon on Sunday 5 May. Further details will be sent home nearer to the time as to how you can support this event.

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Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 7 March

Friday 8 March

Week Commencing 11 March

Monday 18 March

Tuesday 19 March

Thursday 28 March

Thursday 4 April 2019

Friday 12 April

Monday 15 - Friday 26 April

Monday 29 April

Thursday 2 May

World Book Day

PTA Quiz 8.00pm H&W Staff Social Club, Dundela Avenue

Parent Interviews. School finishes Mon-Fri 1.00pm

School Development Day (School Closed)

Dinner Money £10.40 (4 days)

P3 Trip to Transport Museum at Cultra

P1 Trip to Streamvale Farm

School finishes 12.15pm. NO DINNERS/PACKED LUNCHES

Easter Holidays

Term 3 starts (Dinner Money £10.40 – 4 days)

School Closed – Polling Station for Council Elections