



Diary Dates

News Letter October 2016

School Opens

24th October

Cross Country

28th October

26th November

Holly Class

Assembly

28th October

Chestnut Class

Nativity

7th December

Christmas Fair

19th November

Panto

15th December

School Closes

16th December

Welcome to our new children in Chestnut Class



We would also like to welcome Ruby, Tristan, Crystal, Finn, Thomas, Thom, Hudson and Easton who have joined us in some of our other classes

Governors

If you are a parent and are interested in being a governor, please speak to either Nick Ashton, or Mrs McConnell, who can tell you what the role entails. We will be holding elections for parent governors after half term.

Charity News



Don't forget to bring in your donations for our harvest collection tomorrow.

We will be sending your donations off to the Melton Foodbank.

The School Council have decided to raise funds for a defibrillator, which will be positioned outside the school. They hope to raise at least £600. Their first event is a sponsored fun run, which will take place on the **afternoon of the 2nd November**. They will be writing to parents after the half term break with

more information and a sponsor form. You are welcome to come and support them when they run. They have asked that children dress up as their favourite superhero for the day. **They will do the sponsored run in their PE kit though.**

Keeping You Informed

Are you receiving your Parent Mails. If you have not received anything please call into the office so we can check your email address is correct. If you want a hard copy of the letters we send, there are a small number in the trays outside the office.

Citizenship Awards

Thank you for supporting our new citizenship awards again. They are designed to help our children begin to take more responsibility for themselves, their environment and think about others around them. We present them in assembly on Friday together with the class WoW awards. We also like to celebrate your child's achievements outside school, so if they have received an award from an out of school club, we will present it to them in our Friday assemblies too.

Car Park

If you notice the school car park is locked in the morning, it might be because Mr Carter is absent. If you call into the office, Miss Webb will give you a key to unlock it. We try to keep the car parked locked for security reasons. Thank you to all who use the car park!

Arriving and Leaving

Please remember do not turn around outside school in the morning or afternoon. We have witnessed two near misses on the school CCTV system, where children were almost run over as they got out of their parents cars. Mrs Goodsell is more than happy to supervise your children cross on the crossing.

Sporting News



Well done to our cross-country team who did really well at the first Prestwold Hall meeting at the end of September. There is another race on **Saturday** 29th October. If your child is interested in taking part, Mrs Smith's takes the children for practice at lunchtimes on Tuesday. It is open for all KS2 children.

Life Saving!

As you would expect, all of our staff are first aid trained, but did you know that now our Y6 children are first aid trained too!

They were visited by the Leicestershire Health and Safety team in September and were trained in how to react in an emergency and basic resuscitation skills. They learnt such a lot. Hopefully they will never need their skills, but they are ready to leap into action when faced with an emergency.

Our Year 1 and Year 5 children will have a fire safety talk on Monday the 24th October.



Pupil Premium Plea!

Last year the school received an extra £39,000 in pupil premium funding. This money pays for additional adult support and enables us to sustain small classes. We also use the funding to subsidise clubs, trips and visits for those children who's parents are on benefits. Unfortunately the number of parents who claim free school meals has greatly diminished since the government's free school meals initiative for Key Stage 1 children.

If your child prefers sandwiches and chooses not to take the school meal, or if they are entitled to universal free infant meals, it is still worth signing up for the additional benefits. If you are unsure whether you are eligible or not please call into the office for more information.