

# Pallister Park Primary School Newsletter Autumn Term 2019

Welcome back to the new school year. A very special welcome to all our new starters and their parents, we hope you love your time at our school. All our newsletters and other information about the school will be on the Pallister Park website for parents to visit anytime they wish. You can also keep up to date with messages on our twitter account by using our App, this is available from App Store by searching for Pallister Park Primary School.

Parents will be aware that this is Mrs Wain's last year in school before her retirement in July 2020. Mrs Adams and Mrs Wain will be acting as Co-Headteachers during this academic year.

## Staff News

We have welcomed many new staff to our team this year; Miss James, Miss Pickering, Miss Robinson, Mr Sonnen, Miss Singh and Mrs Mullins. We know they will contribute to the wonderful quality of teaching and learning that we to provide.

During the holidays Miss Taylor got married and is now Mrs Wilkinson. Staff have also welcomed new babies to their families: Both Mrs Simpson and Mrs McMahon had little boys and Miss Morte had a little girl.

#### School Meals

This year school meals cost will now remain the same at £9.50 per week for the children in KS2 who pay for meals. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals and not already registered please contact the school office. Should you choose to give your child a packed lunch please be aware that we have a number of children in the school with Nut allergies. For this reason you <u>must not</u> include any foods including nuts in your child's lunch. The packed lunch should contain a variety of healthy foods and no fizzy drinks, they must be brought into school by the child at the start of the day as we have no capacity for storage at the office.

Payments for school meals may now be made through the School Gateway App.

# School Uniform

Thank you to all parents for sending their child to school in uniform and providing them with their PE kit of black shorts and red t-shirt. We would ask that you label your children's uniform and coats. Writing initials on labels is usually enough to identify the owners. A lot of clothing ends up in lost property so please help us to help you. We will display all the lost property from last year in the main school hall for parents/carers at 9am and 2.30 pm on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September. Uniform, bags and equipment is available from Lolipops at Berwick Hills shops or My Clothing.com.

May we remind parents that extreme haircuts and colours are not part of the school uniform.

## Dates for your diary.....

We know that parents appreciate knowing dates in advance so please forgive us for making you think of Christmas already! There will be many other visits and visitors during the coming weeks organised by different year groups and you will be notified of these separately. As always we are delighted to say we do not charge for activities.

Individual year group information will be sent out as a reminder at the beginning of December.

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October & Parents Consultation Evenings
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October (letters & appointments to follow)

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October School closes at 3pm for half term

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November School re-opens at 8.55am

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November PD Day for staff (school closed for children)

Wednesday 11th to Friday 13th December Year 6 to Carlton Outdoor Centre

Wednesday 11th December Nursery Christmas Performances

AM Nursery — 10.45am PM Nursery — 2pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December Reception classes Christmas Performance 9.30am

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Parties for Reception, Years 1 & 2 (pm)

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December Key Stage 1 Nativity

Year 2 Parents — 9.30am Year 1 Parents — 2.15pm

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December Key Stage 2 (Years 3 to 6) Disco 4pm – 5.30pm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December Reception to Year 2 Pantomime (M'bro Theatre)

Thursday 19th December Key Stage 2 Christmas Performances

Year 3 & 5 Parents 9.30am Year 4 & 6 Parents 2pm

Thursday 19th December Nursery Parties

Friday 20st December Years 3, 4, 5 & Year 6 Cinema visit

Any other Christmas activities will be sent at a later date along with details and times for all the above.

Friday 20th December 2019 School closes at 3pm for Christmas Holiday

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 School re-opens at 8.55am