

Prior Heath Infant School

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Dear Parents,

A very Happy New Year to you all and I hope that you had a wonderful Christmas. The Spring term has started well and the children are already immersed in their new topics. We have some exciting events planned for this term including our reading week. It's certainly going to be another busy one!

Reading Week

Our reading week this year will take place during the week of Monday 19th February and a number of exciting activities have been arranged for the children which include the following:

To launch the week, on Monday 19th February, Aesop's Theatre Company will be coming into school to perform the story of, 'The Gingerbread Man'. In order for children to enjoy this experience, it will be necessary to request a voluntary contribution from parents to cover the cost of the event. Further information will follow shortly.



On Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd February, Tomlinscote School students will be visiting us to run drama workshops with each class.

Also, on Wednesday 21st February, we will be holding a bedtime story evening. The children are invited to come back into school in their pyjamas from 5.30 until 6.00pm to listen to a couple of bedtime stories read by their class teacher. Parents are invited to stay in the hall during this event and refreshments will be provided by the PTA.

To end the week, on Friday 23rd February, the children are invited to come into school dressed as their favourite book character. Please note that this will be instead of taking part in the National World Book Day which is on 7th March this year, when children should wear their normal uniform to school.

During the week, the PTA have kindly organised for a Scholastic book fair to take place after school from Wednesday 21st to Friday 23rd February and during the bedtime story evening on 21st February.

Further information about our reading week will be provided nearer the time but please make a note of the dates in your diary.

Parent Interviews - Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th March

The Spring term parent interviews will take place after school on Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th March (later appointments will be available on Wednesday 13th). You will be able to book

Parents' Evening online through your ParentMail Account or through the free ParentMail App. Please note, you will need to be registered on ParentMail to be able to book an appointment and further details will follow later half term.

Due to the limited number of time slots available, it is preferable that both parents attend the same appointment where possible please.

Registration for September 2024

A final reminder that if you have a child who is five between 1st September 2024 and 31st August 2025 inclusive, or you have a child currently in Year 2, all admissions applications need to be received by Surrey County Council by **15th January 2024**. Full information is available on Surrey's website at www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

Please note that applications received after the closing date without good reason will be treated as late and will not be considered until all on time applications have been processed. This may jeopardise the chance of parents being offered one of their preferred schools for their child.

INSET Days 2024

A reminder that the remaining INSET days for the current school year are on the following dates when school will be closed for staff training:

Thursday 28th March Monday 3rd June

Please note that school will also be closed for the bank holiday on Monday 6th May 2024.

Individual Photographs

The school photographer, Andy Faulkner, will be in school on Thursday 7th March to take individual photographs of the children. For those children who have a sibling in school, he will take an individual photo and a sibling photo.

Sports Morning - Thursday 23rd May 2024

We will be holding our annual sports event on the morning of Thursday 23rd May this year. Weather permitting, the event will run from 9.15am until approximately 10.30am. All of the children take part in sports morning and parents/grandparents will be welcome to attend. Further information will follow later this year but please make a note of the date in your diaries.

Diary Dates

Please find attached an updated list of diary dates.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L. Chivers Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday – Friday	12 th to 16 th February 2024	Half term
Monday	19th February 2024	Aesop's Theatre Company visiting
		school to perform The Gingerbread
		Man.
Wednesday	21st February 2024	Bedtime story evening from 5.30
		until 6.00pm.
Wednesday &	21 st & 22 nd February 2024	Tomlinscote School students visiting
Thursday		to run drama workshops.
Friday	23 rd February 2024	Children are invited to come to
		school dressed as their favourite
		book character.
Thursday	7 th March 2024	School photographer in school to
		take children's individual photos.
Tuesday & Wednesday	12 th & 13 th March 2024	Parent interview appointments after
		school (later appointments on 13 th
		March).
Wednesday	27 th March 2024	End of spring term at 2.00pm –
		please note early closure.
Thursday	28 th March 2024	INSET Day – school closed for
	4 = 4h	staff training.
Monday	15 th April 2024	School re-opens for the summer
		term.
Monday	6 th May 2024	Bank Holiday – school closed
Thursday	23 rd May 2024	Sports morning 9.15 to 10.30am
Monday – Friday	27 th to 31 st May 2024	Half term
Monday	3 rd June 2024	INSET Day – school closed for
		staff training
Tuesday	23 rd July 2024	End of summer term at 2.00pm -
		please note early closure