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Weekly Newsletter

Diary Dates 2018-2019

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Monday 11 th February	All day	Local Holiday
Tuesday 12 th February	All day	In Service Day – school closed to pupils
Wednesday 13 th February	All day	In service Day – school closed to pupils
Thursday 14th March	9.30 – 10.30 & 2.15 – 3.15	Open morning / afternoon
Friday 29 th March		Last day of term
Monday 15 th April		First day of term
Friday 19 th April	All day	Good Friday – school closed

Open Morning / afternoon

Please note that the open morning / afternoon this term is on Thursday 14th of March and not Tuesday 14th of March as detailed in last week's newsletter.

Water Bottles

We would appreciate if every child had a named water bottle in school. This does not need to be a fancy bottle and could easily be a bottle that you have recycled. We have water fountains in school, but it is not hygienic for the children to drink directly from these as this is a sure-fire way of germs being spread.

Sickness / Diarrhoea

A reminder that if your child suffers from sickness or diarrhoea that they must remain off school for 48 hours after the last incidence of sickness or diarrhoea. This is to ensure that any virus or bacteria that may have caused the stomach upset is out of their system and therefore cannot be passed on to other children or staff. Any child who returns to school in these circumstances before a 48-hour period has passed will be sent home.

Inhalers

We are becoming increasingly aware that some children are carrying inhalers in their school bags. Due to Health and Safety regulations children are not permitted to carry their own inhalers and that inhalers like any other medication should be handed in to the school office – along with completed paperwork to allow this to be administered in school. If you have any queries regarding this, please let me know.

Mobile Phones

A reminder that if children bring their mobile phones to school that these must be handed to the teacher upon their arrival and these will be returned to the children at 3.15 pm. If children are unwilling to hand their mobile phones to staff, then they should not bring them to school.

Grapes

If children are having grapes for snack, then these need to be cut in half as these can be a choking hazard. Thank you for your support with this.

Gym Kit / Indoor Shoes

All the children should have indoor shoes that they can change into upon arrival at school. These can be their gym shoes to avoid having to purchase additional footwear. The majority of children realise how important it is that they change into gym kit for PE. Unfortunately, we have a small minority who do not bring gym kit, can you please ensure that your child brings gym kit to school on the days they have PE.

Lateness

It is very important that all the children arrive to school promptly to ensure they are settled in class for the start of the school day. It can be very hard for children to join their class late and they often miss important information shared by the teacher at the start of the school day. If you require any support with this, please let us know.

Holidays

A reminder that the school is closed to pupils on Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th of February.