

New Close News

Friday 18th November, 2016

Head Teacher - Miss Jane Brown
Deputy Head - Mrs Sharon White

Anti-bullying Week



This week we have been raising awareness about bullying, what it is, how it can affect people and what can be done about it. It has been really good to see how our children understand the difference between bullying and being mean and are determined to make sure that bullying is not tolerated at New Close.

The week ended with children coming to school dressed as 'heroes' - people who inspire or protect them; people who they can turn to if they have a problem. The array of costumes was absolutely amazing, so thank you very much for your support with this.

KS2 Hansel and Gretel

The rehearsals for this production are in full swing. Mrs Maguire and Mrs Braddell are working with the children every Thursday after school and Craft Club are busy making the scenery. There is a buzz of excitement throughout Key Stage 2 over this production, so I hope you will be able to come and watch it on the 14th or 15th December. More details will be announced as the dates get closer.



Sleeping Beauty

We are really looking forward to the performance of Sleeping Beauty this coming Monday. I think there will be many games of 'princes and princesses' in the playground, especially amongst our younger pupils!



Bring a Parent to School

The date of this event is fast approaching. I do hope that you will be able to join us and enjoy working on a craft project with your child. As I said last week, it would be a good idea to come in older clothing that you don't mind getting paint or glue on. Each child will have first option to buy their item for £1 and those items that are not bought will be on sale at the Bazaar. We really look forward to seeing you on the 8th December.

Christmas Bazaar

We have had several requests from people who would like to have a stall at our forthcoming Christmas Bazaar. If you would like a stall or know of someone who might want one, please contact the School Office as soon as possible so that they can be allocated a space. The Bazaar will be on Friday 9th December.



Lost Property

Yes, it's that old chestnut again—Lost Property! The amount of lost property is rapidly growing and consists of all sorts of clothing including coats! If you think your child has lost an item of clothing, please don't hesitate to let your teacher or TA know and we will help you search through the tub.



FREE and SUBSIDISED COOL MILK

A reminder to all parents/guardians that school is able to provide free milk each day to all children under five and to those children entitled to statutory free school meals. Milk can also be provided to children aged five or over at a subsidised cost.

For further information please visit www.coolmilk.com or ask in the school Office.

Childcare assessment – Parent Survey

Local authorities have a duty, under the Childcare Act 2006 to secure sufficient childcare to enable parents to work or take part in training leading to work. To enable us to do that we need to assess the childcare needs of parents as well as their views on the availability and quality of childcare in their local area. The focus of the assessment is 0-14 year olds and up to age 19 for children with difficulties and disabilities.

The survey runs until 31 December 2016.

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/child-care-survey>

Do you have a
child aged
0-14? (0-19
with a disability?)

Have Your Say

Please let Wiltshire Council know your views on the need for childcare in Wiltshire by [completing this anonymous online survey](#).

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENT

Eve in Squirrel class has recently moved up to Stage 3 in swimming.

Well done Eve!

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Jake in Fox class who has achieved his Brown Belt following a recent 3 hour panel grading.

E-Newsletter



In an effort to reduce our carbon footprint, we are hoping to send as many newsletters by e-mail as possible. If you are able to receive your newsletter by e-mail, and haven't already done so, please contact the office. For those families who do not receive the newsletter by e-mail we will continue to send out paper copies.

Office Hours

Please be aware that the School Office is staffed between 8.45am and 3.15pm.



STARS OF THE WEEK



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| Ella B | David D | Callum H |
| Alfie W | Noah P-H | Oliver G |
| Alexander D | Dana M | |

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be four years old before September 2017?

You must apply for a primary school place.

Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

The deadline for all applications is

15th January 2017

to request our booklet -

“Finding a primary school place in Wiltshire” or for a paper application form contact customer services on 01225 713010.

All paper applications must be returned to the School Admissions Team at County Hall, Trowbridge.