

WHITFIELD VALLEY PRIMARY ACADEMY



OCTOBER 2017 NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/Carers

It's hard to believe that it's October already and that half term is fast-approaching! The start to the new school year has been incredibly busy. The children have returned to school looking incredibly smart, so a big thank you to all parents/carers for ensuring our children arrive looking immaculate. This newsletter has details of upcoming events, along with a couple of reminders – please read through carefully. Also detailed below is information about the Magical/Mystical Disco on Monday 30th October.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Clewes
Head Teacher



MAGICAL/MYSTICAL DISCO



MONDAY 30th OCTOBER

5.00-6.00pm - Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2

6.00-7.00pm - Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6

Tickets will be on sale in the school office from Monday 2nd October, at a cost of £1.50 per ticket. All children from Nursery to Year 6 are invited to attend. There will be 2 discos: one for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children and one for Years 3 to 6. (*Nursery and Reception will have their disco in the Nursery classroom and children in Year 1 and 2 will have their disco in the hall.*) Children are welcome to dress in a magical/mystical costume with prizes for the 'best dressed'. Sweets and drinks will be on sale throughout the evening; please ensure your child has money with them if they wish to purchase any items.

Children should arrive at their NORMAL school entry points. Teaching staff will collect children in the same way as they do each morning. At the end of the disco, children will be brought back outside for collection in the same way as at the end of the school day. **NO child will be allowed to walk home alone on the evening without a letter provided to their teacher before the night of the disco.** Please ensure that you collect your child PROMPTLY at 7pm as the staff need to get home too.

We look forward to seeing all of the children at this exciting event! Thank you.

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Please remember that each week children work towards their class being achieved with the 'Best Attendance' award.

Over the year this builds up to the chance for your child's class to enjoy a free visit, so everyone needs to work together to make this possible! *Please remember we are unable to authorise any holidays during term time.*

If your child is going to be absent please ensure that you inform the office before the start of the school day.

Just a reminder...

Year 6 High School Applications

The closing date is October 31st

If you require any help with this please contact the school office

PARIS 2017



£25 payments now due

Please remember all payments must be made before children visit.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



October 20th – INSET Day – academy closed

October 23rd – 27th Half term – academy reopens: Monday, October 30th

November 6th – Assessment profiles home – to be returned Friday 10th November

November 13th – Parents’ Evenings – 3.30 to 5.30pm

November 14th – Parents’ Evening 5.00-7.00pm

Early Years Christmas Performances (Nursery and Reception): December 4th (9.30am & 1.45pm)

Early Years Christmas Performance (Nursery and Reception): December 5th (9.30am)

Lower Key Stage (Y3 and 4): December 8th (9.30am)

Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2): December 11th (9.30am)

Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 and 6): December 12th (9.30am)

Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2): December 13th (1.45pm)



PE KIT



Please remember that your child’s PE kit, including a pair of trainers or pumps, **MUST** be in school every day, not just on your child’s PE day. The office will contact you for any missing items and ask for them to be brought into school so that your child is able to take part. Also children must not wear earrings for PE, please take them out for or with your child on their PE day.

Some after school activities/club also require PE kit or other kit, please ensure that this is also in school on the right day for the club.

SPRING TERM EDUCATIONAL VISITS

Please note that the LAST DAY for the next installment of contribution towards your child’s educational visit is THURSDAY 11th JANUARY 2018.

The contribution is £10 in the Spring Term and then £10 in the Summer Term.

If you wish to pay a little bit at a time towards the next installment please call in to the school office where this can be arranged.

PARKING

Please be mindful that when you drop off your children that you park your car considering the safety of the pupils and are mindful of our local residents. Do not block their driveway! Please also remember the staff car park is for staff use only!