

Newsletter

September 2009

Welcome back to a new school year – our 10th Anniversary Year! We have planned a week of celebration activities for Parkview children that include digging up the Time Capsule buried in 1999, a balloon race and a super street party on the playground on Friday (we are grateful for the promises of party food already received!). **If you know any former pupils who would like to join the celebrations with a look around school, a chat with teachers and a piece of cake, please ask them along between 3.15 and 4.30pm on Friday 11th September. Families are very welcome at this time to view photographs taken during the last 10 years on display in the hall.**

In this letter we include a number of dates for your diary, and ask you to keep these for future reference. Please avoid taking holidays in term time, as this disrupts the education of the class.

Oakwood Children's Centre As you will have noticed, building work has begun 5 weeks ahead of schedule, and the main school gates are our only access. Work is expected to be completed by March 2010. The contractors used by Derby City Council are very experienced in building on school sites, and as such are very sensitive to issues of safety and security; they are working hard to minimise disruption to the normal school day.

Behaviour We are enjoying a great start to the school year, and wish to keep up the good behaviour. We have few incidences of children making the wrong choices, and do not tolerate bullying.

Friday Family Assemblies begin this week with a special 10th Anniversary Celebration. Reception parents are welcome, but your children will not be in Family Assemblies for the first half term.

School dinners are very good – nutritious, and specially designed following regular consultations with our children. If your child would like to try dinners for a week please contact Mrs. Poulson in the office.

Parent Helpers We need and value your continued support. Parents currently help us with admin. tasks, display work, supporting learners with reading or with group activities. In line with good practice, parents do not usually help in their own child's class; however, with a team of parents helping in the school, every child benefits, so please do volunteer if you can!

Mornings on the Playground To avoid congestion at the entrances, and to give teachers a clear view of all pupils, we ask you to stand behind the lines of children, rather than between them.

Climbing Frame and Adventure Trail Area For safety reasons, children should not go on the play equipment before or after school. All of them will have supervised play opportunities in their own age groups during the week.

Parking Awareness For the safety of all pupils, please park in the Community or Leisure Centre car parks, not the road outside school.

Parkview PFA Parkview Parents and Friends association is an invaluable support for your children's education. Please support it fully. New committee members are always welcome. Contact us for more information.

School Clubs School clubs will commence week beginning 21st September 2008. Full details will follow, with a separate permission letter.

Trash Club starts again on Monday 14th September in the school hall.

Quest for Success We would love to see any certificates and medals for reading awarded this summer by local libraries. Please bring them in!

Dates for Your Diary

September

- Friday 11th 11th Anniversary Street Party and Balloon Race
- Tuesday 15th 2.45pm and 7pm Year 2 SATs Meeting – Year 2 parents are invited to attend 1 of these sessions
- Tuesday 22nd 9.10 am Harvest Assembly – parents welcome
- Tuesday 22nd 2.45 pm Parents of Foundation and KS1 pupils are invited to a short 'Help your child to read' session with teachers

October

- Friday 9th SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET Staff Training on Skills-Based Planning
- Monday 19th Book Fair arrives for Book Week
- Tuesday 20th Parents' Evening
- Thursday 22nd Parents' Evening
- 26th – 30th HALF TERM BREAK

November

- Tuesday 17th School Photographs

December

- Monday 14th 2 pm Y5 and Y6 Christmas Performance
7 pm Y5 and Y6 Christmas Performance
- Tuesday 15th 9.10 am F1 morning children, F2 and KS1 Christmas Performance
2pm Y3 and Y4 Christmas Performance
7 pm Y3 and Y4 Christmas Performance
- Wednesday 16th Pantomime in school, paid for by PFA
2.30 pm F1 afternoon children, F2 and KS1 Christmas Performance
- Friday 18th Afternoon Carol Service
- 21st December – 1st January CHRISTMAS BREAK

March

- Tuesday 30th Parents' Evening

April

- Thursday 1st Parents' Evening
- 5th – 16th EASTER BREAK
- Thursday 22nd PFA AGM

May

- Monday 10th - Friday 14th SATs Week
- Thursday 27th 9.10 am F2 Class Assembly
- Friday 28th Fitness Day and Charity Run
- 31st May – 4th June HALF TERM BREAK

June

- Tuesday 22nd 9.10 am Y1 Class Assembly
- Friday 25th Sports Day
- Monday 28th Years 5 & 6 residential week begins

July

- Thursday 1st 2.30 pm Y4 Class Assembly
- Thursday 8th 9.10 am Y2 Class Assembly
- Monday 12th Historical Arts Week begins – old non-uniform clothes to be worn
- Thursday 15th 2.30 pm Y3 Class Assembly
- Monday 19th Move up morning/afternoon
2.30 pm Y5 Class Assembly
- Thursday 22nd 2.30 pm Y6 Class Assembly
- Friday 23rd Last day of school year