



Headteacher Newsletter 1

Week Commencing: Tuesday 8th January 2019



Value of the Month: Justice

Welcome back...

A warm welcome back to ISP after what I hope has been a wonderful Christmas break for you all. The children have had an excellent first day back and were full of excitement to see their friends and teachers. This week, we also welcome three new nursery children! Despite being a short term, there is still plenty going on. Please see the reverse of the newsletter for dates.

Swimming

Swimming for Whale Class will begin on Monday morning at Dalton Leisure Centre. The cost is £26 for 10 sessions. This can be paid at the school office in full or in two instalments. Each week, the children will need to bring a swimming bag containing swimming costume/shorts and a towel.

Term Dates

Please see attached the term dates for the remainder of the school year. Time off school during term time will only be authorised under exceptional circumstances. Leave of absence forms are available outside the office.



Guitars

Our guitar tutor James will resume lessons on Wednesday 16th January. If your child would like to start these lessons, please enquire at the office. Whilst these lessons are subsidised by school, the cost for each lesson is £4 and can be paid at the school office. Guitar lessons are offered for children in year 2 upwards.

The School Day

8:45-8:55	Door Open
8:55	Registration
9:00	Collective Worship
9:15	Session 1
10:15	Break
10:30	Session 2
11:00	Session 3
11:55-12:05	Lunch Dolphin
12:10	Whale Shark
1:00	Session 4
2:00	Break (EY/KS1 only)
2:00-2:15	Session 5 Session 5 for EY/KS1
3:15	Home time

Money

Please ensure that any money sent into school comes in an envelope. Named envelopes will avoid confusion with the office. Should you wish to purchase money envelopes, they are available from the school office.

Reception Intake

The deadline to apply for a September 2019 reception place is fast approaching. All applications must be received online by **Tuesday 15th January**. Further information is available from the office. If you know of anyone with a child due to start reception, please do let them know about our wonderful school. We are happy to provide tours of the school to any prospective parents.

School Uniform

Please ensure your child comes to school in the correct uniform. It was noted last term that a number of children have been wearing trainers to school and polo tops without the school logo. Full details of our school uniform are always on the school website if you need to check. Any children not in the correct school uniform will now be sent home with a note. Please inform school, at drop off time, if there is any reason why your child is not in full school uniform.

Breakfast and After School club

This is a service that we are proud to offer and very pleased that it is being utilised. Please note that breakfast club begins at 7:45am. The door will not be opened any earlier as 7:45am is the time at which time there will be a second member of staff in school. After school club runs until 6pm. **For safeguarding reasons, all children must be signed in/out of school by a responsible adult.** Booking forms are available from Mrs Doherty in the office.

Breakfast Club 7:45am onwards = £4

Breakfast club 8:15am onwards = £2

After School Club 3:15 - 4:15pm = £4

After School Club 4:15pm onwards = £8

Dates for your diary...

Thursday 10th January ~ Reception hearing screening
Bible Explorers begins for Shark Class (6 weeks)
Monday 14th January ~ Swimming begins for Whale Class.
Monday 14th January ~ Extra-curricular clubs begin.
Tuesday 15th January ~ Playgroup resumes, 9:15am
Friday 1st February ~ WOM for January, 2:45pm.
Year 2 Indoor Athletics at DASH, 3:45pm.
Wednesday 6th February ~ Nursery drop in for parents, 3:30pm
Friday 8th February ~ Shark Class at Dowdales for performance.
Friday 15th February ~ End of term!
Monday 25th February ~ Spring term 2 begins.
Thursday 28th February ~ WOM for February, 2:45pm.
Friday 1st March ~ Key Steps Gymnastics at DASH.
Wednesday 6th March ~ Year 5/6 Literacy Challenge Day at Dowdales.
Thursday 7th March ~ World Book Day – wearing pyjamas with favourite story.
Friday 8th March ~ WOM for February, 2:45pm.
Monday 11th March ~ Science Week.
Friday 15th March ~ KS2 Cross Country at Dowdales
Thursday 21st March ~ Book Fair in the school hall until 28/03/19
Monday 25th March ~ Final swimming session for Whale Class.
Tuesday 26th March – U-Dance at Forum28 for Whale/Shark Class.
Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th March ~ Parents Evening
Friday 29th March ~ Easter Service at ISP Church – tbc.
End of term!



Finally, as I end my first newsletter of 2019, I would like to inform you that Mrs Saunders and her husband are expecting their first child. I am sure you all join me in congratulating them on this news. Further details for Whale Class, regarding staffing, will be provided nearer the time.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch with any queries.

Mrs R. E. McFarlane

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Our Father,

Thank you for our life and love in our heart. I am thankful for the love we get to share with our friends and family. Thank you for forgiving us when we make mistakes. We are thankful for having somebody to love. Amen.

Christopher Bullivant, Year 5