Thornaby Church of England Primary School

Newsletter – late March 2016

Parents' Evenings

Parents Evenings for EY2 (Class 1 and 2) will be held on Tuesday 15th March and Thursday 17th March from 3.30pm until 6.00pm.

Attendance

At the end of term you will all receive an attendance slip notifying you of your child's attendance so far this academic year. Any child whose attendance is below 96% is being monitored by our Attendance team every four weeks. Please note if your child's attendance is below 96% you will continue to receive an attendance letter every four weeks until your child's attendance is above 96%. Medical evidence will need to be provided for any further illness in order for the absence to be authorised. Any absence from school for any reason affects your child's attendance even if it is for an unavoidable illness such as chicken pox.

Easter

Following the success of our Easter Egg Raffle last year, we intend to run this again this year. We would be very grateful if you could take advantage of any Easter egg offers on at the local supermarkets and donate an egg to our Grand Easter Egg Raffle. Tickets will be on sale at 20p each from Monday 14th March. The Grand Easter Egg Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 24th March.

This year we are holding our Easter Egg decorating competition. All children will be given an egg and time to decorate this in school during the last week of term. A prize will be given for the best creation in each year group. These will then be on display for you to view with your child on Wednesday 23rd March from 2.45pm.

Sport Relief

On Friday 18th March we will be running for Sport Relief and would like as many parents/carers as possible to come and run with their children. In order to support the charity we are asking children to donate £1 and come wearing sports clothing. Reception will run half a lap of the field at 9am; KS1 will run one lap of the field from 9-10am; Nursery will also run half a lap of the field at 11.30am and 2pm; KS2 will run a mile beginning at 2.30pm. Please use the main school gate if you are running with either KS1 or KS2. Nursery parents please use the Nursery entrance.

Parking

Recently we have had several complaints from neighbours and passers-by concerning inconsiderate parking by parents outside our school on Baysdale Road. Please do not use the bus stop as a parking place. It makes it very difficult for buses to stop and they then become a hazard for other motorists. Please use the town centre car park or park further down Baysdale Road to avoid congestion outside the main school gate.

Photographs

On Wednesday 16th March we will be having Phototronics, the school photographer, in school to take individual and family group photos.

SATs

SATs for Y6 will take place during the week of 9th May. Y2 will be during the fortnight of 16th May until 27th May. Y1 will have their phonic screening assessment during the week of 13th June.

Pantomime

Drama Club are performing Rumpelstiltskin on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd March at 6.30pm. Tickets are £2 each and are available from Mrs Mannion or the school office. Everyone is welcome.

PD Days and Holidays

Children break up for Easter on Thursday 24th March and return to school on Monday 11th April. Our final two staff training days will take place on Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th June 2016. School will be closed to children on these days. Please could we remind parents that holidays should be taken during these times and **NOT** during the school term.

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Headteacher