



November 10th 2017

BONIFRE TEA TODAY

Don't forget Friends of the school are hosting a Bonfire tea from 3.15pm until 5pm. There will be crafts, hot dogs, tombola, 'The bug man' and lots of games today. All children must be accompanied by an adult. All money raised is spent on the children.

Children in Need Cake sale

Children in Need Cake sale will be next Friday. We will be selling any unsold cakes in the playground at the end of the day. This is the children's favourite charity event of the year!

Congestion at the school gate

It is great to see so many of you walking to school with the children. Please can I ask once you have dropped off that you keep the pavements clear so that children are able to walk into school without needing to go into the road. Some children do not like dogs and find it very difficult to walk past them (even friendly ones), so if you could wait away from the gate it would be helpful. I have been informed of an incident this week where a car has driven onto the pavement and nearly hit a child. Please can you be patient when waiting to pass parked vehicles especially at busy times. The Varrier Jones Foundation are very happy to allow any parent to park behind the shops and studio and walk up to school on a morning- a really good way to start the day with some fresh air.

Attendance

Getting your child to school on time really does matter! The gates open for Years 1-6 at 8.40 am and 8.45 am for Foundation stage; registration is at 8.55am. If in a school year, your child is late in everyday by 5 minutes that equates to approximately 3.5 days absent from school over the whole year. 95% attendance at the end of the year means your child has missed 10 days from school, 90% attendance at the end of the year is 19 missed days- just short of 4 working weeks! We all know that children can be very susceptible to bugs at this time of year and appreciate your support in the 48 hour rule on sickness and diarrhoea but a cough may not need a day off school.

Next 2 Weeks' Events

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| Monday 13 th November | New Foundation Stage parent tour at 6pm Governing Body meeting at 7pm |
| Tuesday 14 th November | Year 4 visit to the American cemetery at Madingley |
| Thursday 16 th November | New Foundation Stage parent tour at 10am New Foundation Stage parent tour at 2pm High 5 netball competition at SVC |
| Friday 17 th November | Children in Need Cake sale Sand Cats class assembly at 9.05am |
| Monday 20 th November | Governing Body meeting |
| Tuesday 21 st November | Stay and Play for 2018 EYFS 3.30pm until 4.40 pm- no need to book |
| Friday 24 th November | Tigers' class assembly at 9.05am |