



Broomhill First School

February Newsletter



'Together We Succeed'

Dear Parents

As we near the halfway point of the year it is pleasing to see how much progress our children have made in their learning since September. I would like to thank you for supporting your child's learning at home, particularly with helping with the learning of key facts in maths and developing phonic skills in English. Presenting children with 'little and often' learning opportunities has such a positive impact on their progress and if you would like any further information with regards to helping your child then please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself.

As you know, you are more than welcome to come into school at any time during the year to discuss your child's progress, but on Wednesday 24th February and Thursday 25th February we are holding our more formal parent/teacher meetings, which we ask all parents to attend. Letters were sent out regarding these last week with a reply slip for you to request your preferred time slot. If these dates are not convenient to you, then please contact your child's class teacher to arrange an alternative appointment.

Internet safety is an important part of our school curriculum and we will be supporting 'Safer Internet Day' on Tuesday 9th February by having lessons in school relating to this subject. The day will begin with an assembly led by our School Council. Each child will bring something home at the end of the day to share with you. If you have any questions regarding internet safety then please contact Elaine Brindle who is our e-safety expert.

I hope the children enjoy their half term break and I look forward to welcoming them back to school on Monday, 22nd February.

Julie Newton
Headteacher

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March when the children will take part in a variety of activities to encourage their enjoyment of stories and reading. As part of this we will be inviting the children to come to school dressed as their favourite story book character. There will be a short 'Character Parade' around the school hall, just after morning registration, to which you are all invited. Each class will also perform a song linked to the event. Children will come home with a £1 book token which can be exchanged for a special World Book Day book, which include a Kipper story by Mick Inkpen, a book by Roald Dahl and a Star Wars adventure!



Show Racism the Red Card Workshop



Children from Seabirds learning about the causes and consequences of racism with ex professional footballer and Radio Newcastle presenter John Anderson.

Diary Dates

9/2/16 - Safer Internet Day
10/2/16 - Finches' Class Assembly 9.10am
11/2/16 - Big Owls' Class Assembly 2.45pm
12/2/16 - School closes for half term
22/2/16 - School re-opens (and Tiny Woods football for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 re-commences)
23/2/16 - After school clubs re-commence (see separate letters)
24/2/16 - Parent Teacher Meetings
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3/3/16 - World Book Day
9/3/16 - Seabirds' Class Assembly
16/3, 17/3, 23/3 - Parent Lunches (letter to follow)
24/3/16 - School closes for Easter and re-opens Tuesday 12th April (Teacher Training Day 11th April)

Sporting Events

Thank you to pupils from Seabirds for representing our school in the recent inter-school netball and football competitions and showing such good sportsmanship. Our teams came joint first in football and first and second in netball!

Football Team - Nathan Barrass, Reece Douglas, Ethan Rutherford, Josh Arnold, Luke Archbold, Zack Stott, Aaron Flanighan, Faye Turner, Eden Howard.

Children from Year 1 had great fun at a Hula Hooping Festival in January and we are hoping to hold our own hula hooping day later this year.

We wish our gymnastics team good luck in the School Games competition later this week.



Our school netball teams