



Poulton Lancelyn Primary School



Dear Parents,

26th February 2024

Welcome back after a short half term break. Spring 2 is the shortest half term we have but it's still filled with lots of brilliant experiences for our children.

Holiday Club

We opened up Poulton Lancelyn Holiday Club in February; we are already looking forward to continuing it during the spring break. The club is open from 8am-5pm every day (apart from bank holidays) and it is led by school staff. Each day has 4 structured activities as well as time for the children to choose their own activities. Morning and afternoon snacks are included and with school providing the safe and secure environment that children are comfortable with, we hope it provides provision that many families need during the holidays. A separate email will be sent to you tomorrow with a booking form attached for those interested.

Proud Assemblies 26.2.24

We will be holding our Proud Assemblies to celebrate the wonderful work that some of our children completed in spring 1. Parents have been invited via email.

PSHE Consultation 4.3.24

We are inviting parents in to the main hall for a short presentation to look at our bespoke PSHE curriculum and, more specifically, at the materials that we will use to teach the children Relationship and Sex Education in school. This will give parents the opportunity to ask any questions that they may have about the teaching and learning of PSHE within school.

Y4 Dibbisdale Trip 5.3.24

Year 4 will be visiting Dibbisdale Woods to examine the River Dibbin and its features as part of their geography learning for this term. A separate letter has been sent out with further information.

World Book Day and Book Fair 7.3.24

World Book Day is always a popular day as the children get to talk passionately about the books they love. As Miss Farlam has already outlined in her letter, we are giving the children the option to dress up for the day if they wish. We know that dressing up is not for everyone (myself included), however others really enjoy it so we have therefore given the children a choice. Reading a book daily for a short period of time widens pupils' vocabulary and in turn develops writing and speaking skills. We therefore hope that World Book Day provides an opportunity to further encourage a love of reading throughout school. The children will have an opportunity to discuss their favourite books, read for pleasure and will even get the chance to meet an author. We will also be holding a book fair on Thursday 7th March and Friday 8th March. This will be held in the main hall after school and some of the money spent at these book fairs will be given back to school for us to purchase more texts for the children within school.

Workshops

We continue to hold workshops next half term with a focus on behaviour and safety. Our Phase Leaders will hold behaviour workshops for parents (week beginning 11th March). These workshops will demonstrate our positive approach to behaviour management in school and explain the restorative conversations that we have with children when an incident occurs. We will also discuss strategies that could be used to support behaviour at home. Pupils will not be involved in these workshops.

E-safety workshops will take place during Summer 1.

The Mental Health Support Team will also hold a session based on supporting children with worries on Monday 11th March. They will discuss how to talk to children about their worries and provide simple strategies that can support pupils to manage the worries they may have.

All workshop details can be found through the Eventbrite link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/poulton-lancelyn-72658301603>

SATs Information Meeting 14.3.24 (3.40-4.15 - Main Hall)

May is fast approaching, which means Year 6 will soon be completing their End of Key Stage Two tests. As a parent, do you know what this entails? We will hold a 30-minute session to explain the schedule of the SATs, how we prepare the pupils and how parents can support them at home.

Comic Relief 15.3.24

It is Comic Relief day on Friday 15th March. During the day, we will be holding Poulton's Got Talent. Information regarding this is on Seesaw. Pupils will be able to dress in their own clothes for a donation towards the charity. (Donations can be made via Arbor and more details will follow shortly)

Oak Trees MAT Environment Day 21.3.24

All pupils in Oak Trees Multi Academy Trust will develop their understanding of sustainability and how to protect our environment. We will begin the day with a Bike-It Breakfast to develop active travel to school and we will hold a local litter pick at school on Sunday 24th March 12-3pm to support sustainability efforts within our local community.

Non-Uniform Day 27.3.24

The winners of spring 2 house points will be able to wear their own clothes on Wednesday. The winning house will be announced nearer to the time.

Starbooks Café 28.3.24

We will hold another Starbooks Café on 28th March to celebrate those children in Key Stage Two who have managed to read 10 texts from our recommended book list.

Easter Celebrations 28.3.24

Our annual Easter celebrations will be held on Thursday 28th March. Pupils in Key Stage 1, Foundation and Nursery are welcome to create an Easter Bonnet for the parade. Key Stage Two children can participate in our egg decorating competition. This year's theme is sport to celebrate the Olympics that will be held later in the year.

Eater Bunny Run 28.3.24

Due to the heavy schedule at Christmas, we moved our PTA Reindeer Run to become our Easter Bunny Run. Pupils will be able to complete 2 laps of the school by running, walking or even hopping if they wish. We ask for a £2 donation towards this to pay for the bunny medal.

Curriculum Afternoon 28.3.24

Parents are invited in to school to look at the brilliant progress that the children have made in their learning this term. Books will be out in classrooms from 3.40-4.20pm. There will also be a PTA uniform sale in the main hall and Midshire, our catering company, will have sample food for parents to taste to promote the delicious meals they serve daily.

School Developments

We are very excited to be having our F2 outdoor area redeveloped during this half term. This may however have an impact on children walking around to the infant playground during this time. If it does, we will notify you and children will be escorted around the front of the building by staff in order to ensure safety. Further detail will follow if necessary.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Milne
Headteacher