

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Here is a list of events for your diary. You will receive further information on them nearer the time.

March

Wednesday 5th School development Planning evening- 7.00 p.m.
Thursday 6th World Book Day
Wednesday 12th Year 1 trip around Send Village
Wednesday 19th Spring Service- 9.00 a.m.
Thursday 20th INSET day- Renewed Literacy Framework
Friday 21st Good Friday- School closed
Monday 24th Easter Monday- School closed
Saturday 29th PTA Fun Walk

April

Friday 4th End of Term- 2.00 p.m.
Monday 21st Start of the Summer Term

May

Tuesday 13th Year 1 trip to the Discovery Centre
Tuesday 20th School Class photographs
Wednesday 21st PTA Balloon Race
Friday 23rd Break up for Half Term

Monday 26th - Friday 30th **Half term**

June

Monday 2nd INSET Day - Assessment and recording
Tuesday 3rd INSET Day- Assessment for Learning
Wednesday 4th Start of Second half of Summer Term

Warmest Wishes,



Mr. S. P. Hobbs
Head teacher



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Friday 29th February 2008

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back after half term. I hope you enjoyed the favourable weather as much as I did. This half term is rather unusual as it is broken up by an INSET day, Good Friday and Easter Monday giving us two short weeks, but as you will see from the diary of events it is still a busy half term, starting with the School Development Planning evening next Wednesday. Thank you to all of those parents who have replied to the invitation.

Working in Partnership with Parents Award



I am very pleased to announce that Send First School has met the criteria and been given the Working in Partnership with Parent (WPP) award. The WPP scheme aims for schools to examine their practices in terms of working closely with parents. The WPP is a national scheme that sets specific criteria for schools to meet and provide evidence on. Send First school began the evidence gathering process last academic year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the people involved in helping us gain the award :the parents working group, Mrs. Claire Hicks and Miss Rachel Richards. Even though we have gained this award, the work will not stop here. We are always open to suggestions on how we can improve our partnership with you and will continue to seek your views in the future.

Consultation Evening.

We hope that once again you found the consultation evening informative, thank you for all of your positive comments and for taking part in the tombola which raised £72.50 towards the school fund.

Parking

Please can I implore parents to park considerately when dropping off and picking up. Please do not park on the yellow zigzags or in the bus stop as this prevents the Pegasus bus from waiting safely. The bus service has advised me that unless parking in the bus stop ceases they will have no alternative but to stop the pick up from Send First school. I am sure that you will agree that this is not something that any of us would like to see happen. Any hopes we have on improving the parking situation outside of Send First School rests with everyone parking in a considered manner. Surrey police have also contacted me and advised that they will be conducting spot checks outside of the school and that anyone parking inappropriately will be issued with a fixed penalty fine.

Advanced Warning- Spring service

This is a reminder that we will be holding our Spring service on Wednesday 19th March at 9.00 a.m. in the school hall. The children will be encouraged to make a Spring bonnet or hat that they will wear in the assembly and parade at the end. The children will also sing 'spring' songs. Parents are most welcome, but please note that space will be limited as it was at the harvest festival. Could I remind parents that unfortunately due to lack of space and to minimise disruption, we do request that you make alternative arrangements for pre-school children as a crèche is not provided. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

World Book Day

Next week (Thursday 6th March,) we will be taking part in World book day. The children will be invited to dress up as their favourite book character and bring in their book to share with the class. Please note that fancy dress is for a book character and not a favourite footballer or TV character.

Jumble Sale

The School jumble Sale on Saturday 9th February was a resounding success with over £920 being raised. A huge Thank you to all of the PTA and other helpers on the day, who made it such a successful event.

PTA event Advanced notice- Run, Walk, Stagger or Limp!

The PTA will be holding the school's first sponsored 5km fun event, on Saturday 29 March starting at 2.30pm. All ages and abilities welcome! As always, any money raised will go directly towards the purchase of the new computers. The route will be multiple laps of the Send First and St Bede's School Playing fields, with stopping points at either 1km, 2km, 3km, 4km or after the whole 5km! Entry forms went out in the book bags just over a week ago, and are also available from the school office - so please enter and join in the fun on the day!

Midday Supervision.

Do you have an hour and a half a day free?, would you like to work with children? If the answer to these questions is yes, we currently have a vacancy for a midday supervisor and a senior midday supervisor starting after the Easter holidays. If you would be interested in either of these roles please speak to Mr. Hobbs or Miss. Richards.

Club Plus

Club Plus currently have a limited number of places available for after school care. If you are interested in a place in the after school club for your child, please contact Miss. Jayne Barber via the school office.

