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NEWSLETTER

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At Calshot Primary School we are always AIMING HIGH!

To think this time last year we went into lockdown not knowing how long we would be facing this pandemic and all the challenges it would create. I want to thank the NHS for all that they have done to protect and save lives, and as we celebrate Easter that we remember those that have been lost. As we move into the Summer Term, I'm hopeful that school will start to return to the new normal and that restrictions will be able to begin being lifted. I will let you know of any updates when the DFE gives us further guidance.

Developing a Forest School

In the space of one week I have been inundated with messages and offers for help from parents and the community to assist in developing our Forest School, I want to thank everyone for their support. It has been overwhelming to have received so much and is greatly appreciated. If anyone else can donate bushes we would be grateful as I want children to start planting after Easter. Therefore the plants have time to bed in over the summer term.

School Dinners

Over the last two weeks we have received a number of complaints about school dinners and although Dolce had told us any complaints must be referred to them, we have expressed our concerns ourselves. Dolce assured me food portions were in line with Government guidelines but after discussions with the company we were not satisfied that the food options and portion sizes were satisfactory. In light of this, I have decided that we shall return to normal cooked meals after Easter. The School Grid is being amended and parents will be able to order the new menu from Friday onwards. Reception and Key Stage 1 pupils will eat at separate times and in separate halls so the children do not need to carry their food trays too far and can still remain isolated. KS2 pupils will still eat their meals in classrooms.

Easter Preparations - Advance Notice

Next week to celebrate Easter there will be a couple of special events taking place in school. Children in Reception and KS1 (Years 1 and 2) are going to take part in a sponsored hop. Children will bring in £1 and be able to take part in a hopping challenge. Easter bunny ears will be provided!

Children in KS2 (Years 3 to 6) are invited to exercise their creative skills and decorate a hard-boiled egg. Children are asked to bring their decorated eggs into school from **Tuesday 30th March onwards**. All entries will be displayed in their classrooms, and a winner will be decided in each class. Judging will take place on Thursday 1st April with Miss Atterbury and myself.

Reception Places for 2021

Some parents have asked me when Birmingham Admissions Team will inform them of their Reception places for next September. The official date when parents must be notified is on Friday 16th April. We will be informed the following week.

Red Nose Day

Last Friday the children celebrated Red Nose Day in school, in doing so they raised a whopping £285.10. I was very impressed with the Superhero costumes that the children dressed up in, I did notice that Batman and Batgirl came to visit and looked especially cool! The money will help fund projects from all over the world to make a difference to people less fortunate than ourselves. Well Done!

'I was Wonder Woman. I was red, gold, blue and white. My costume had stars!' - Rayya (RW)

'I was Spiderman, he shoots webs!' - Carlo (RS)

'I was Batman, he is my favourite superhero. He can fly!' - Idris (RW)

'I was Wonder Woman, I rescue people with my rope. She's a super superhero!' - Sophia M (RS)

Stay Safe!

Mr. M. Wingrove

(Head Teacher)

