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NEWSLETTER

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At Calshot Primary School we are always **AIMING HIGH!**

Whitemoor Lakes

This week the Year 5 pupils have been attending their residential trip to Whitemoor Lakes. I know how excited they have been and how much fun they have had whilst there. They have been taking part in a multitude of outdoor activities, which have been wonderful. The children have had a great time and been a credit to the school. I want to thank the teachers Mrs Taylor, Mrs Jones, Mr Colling, Mr Mitchell and Miss Patterson who stayed with them and made sure everything went smoothly (they can now have a whole weekend to recover).

'We've been in groups doing different activities. The food is good, last night I had a roast dinner!' - Ava-Rose (Y5)

'The rock climbing was fun and so was the canoeing. Our beds are super comfy.' - Reece (Y5)

'We've been climbing and doing archery. Now we're sitting round the camp fire, it's great!' - Seattle (Y5)

School Dinners

A reminder from Dolce that from 18th April 2022 the cost of a paid school dinner is to go up to £2.35. This price increase will not affect pupils that receive universal free school meals.

Dolce have also informed me that in future, if you do not pre-order a meal then a child will only be able to have a jacket potato plus pudding. This is to cut down on food wastage as they will only prepare food that has been ordered in advance.

Easter Preparations - Advance Notice

Next week 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 for the John Taylor Hospice. 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 5th April. All entries will be displayed in the main reception area and there will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize for each year group, which will be decided after school on Thursday 7th April and announced in assembly on Friday morning (the day we break up for Easter).

Early Years and KS1 will be holding an Easter Assembly in the hall on Friday 8th April at 2.45pm, parents are welcome. Children have been practising their Easter songs in preparation. Afterwards, parents will be able to go round into the playground and collect their children.

Pokémon Cards

Regrettably I have decided that we won't allow children to continue bringing in and exchanging Pokémon Cards in school. We have had too many issues with cards being lost, stolen or children upset that they feel cards are not returned once a trade has taken place and they are not happy with the transaction. Teachers are having to deal with issues after each lunchtime with unhappy children, when they should be focusing on teaching. Last week a child in Year 3 lost his cards contained in a silver tin pencil case with the name Adam written on the side of it. Also another child brought in his cards in a Pokémon book, it went missing in the playground and has not been found. If any one finds a silver pencil case or Pokémon book please can they be returned to school and I will make sure they are returned to the appropriate child.

Sports Coach

Unfortunately, Mr Colgan our Sports Coach will be leaving us at Easter, as he has found a new job much closer to home. We will be recruiting a new coach, but until we do so we won't be able to run all of the after school sports clubs. Mr Waring will continue running a Key Stage 1 and a Key Stage 2 Multi Skills Club in the meantime. We hope to address this as soon as possible, as I know how valued the sports clubs are and how much the children look forward to attending them.

Celebrity Football Match

I wanted to let our parents know of a celebrity charity football match that is taking place at Villa Park on Sunday 2nd May 2022. I know how many talented footballers we have in school and I thought it will be a fun experience for them whilst supporting a very important children's charity. The charity is called Niamh's Next Steps, a children's cancer charity, which you can find more about here: <https://www.nns.org.uk/> Tickets cost £15 each or a VIP ticket costs £35 and doors open at 2.30pm with the match starting at 4.00pm. Further information can be found at:

https://tickets.avfc.co.uk/en-GB/events/sellebrity%20soccer/2022-5-22_16.00/villa%20park?hallmap

School Fund

This week £14.70 was collected in School Fund this week! May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid.

Mr. M. Wingrove

(Head Teacher)

