



Friday 22nd January 2010

This week at the staff meeting we looked at the question 'How Well do Pupils Behave'. This question is taken from the SEF (Self Evaluation Form) which is a document the school has to complete. The SEF is a record of the outcomes of Reigate Parish Church School's ongoing process of rigorous self-evaluation. It is used as the basis for an Ofsted inspection. It is my job, as headteacher, to make sure that it is written but I want to canvas help from everybody in school.

Please write your comments to the question in the box if you wish to and return it to school.

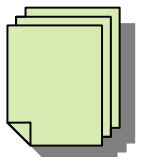
Many thanks
Miss Ayres

Please return this slip to the school office or to your child's teacher.

The question - How Well do Pupils Behave
Comments:

Child's name _____ class _____

Signature _____



Celebration Assembly

In our celebration assembly today children were awarded their certificate in Butterflies and Ladybirds for -

- Using a mouse to drag items in Tizzy Paint 2
- Cutting long and short strips of paper to make a tartan collage
- Always showing good learning, listening carefully and answering questions
- Careful tearing to create a collage in the style of 'The Snail' by Matisse
- Asking the teacher if she could help her when she came into school

In Grasshoppers and Caterpillars children received their certificate for -

- Planning and writing an information page about an object
- Making an excellent information page on glass for the class non-fiction book
- Estimating accurately the masses of different objects in numeracy

Finally the children in Dragonflies and Honeybees had their certificate for -

- Concentrating hard on writing a diary page for Florence Nightingale
- Making good predictions in the science investigation on teeth
- Leading others to perform together and in time in dance
- Concentrating on improving listening skills



Attendance

You might be interested to know that the Government asks for an attendance rate of 95%. As a result, from next week, if the office does not know the reason why a child is marked as absent then they will call you to find out what the matter is with your child.

Thank you to the parents who let us know on the first day of absence that their child is ill and I would ask that all parents adopt this practice.

Getting to School

I, along with representatives of the PTA, met with the Road Safety Officer and two police officers this week to talk through ways of making coming to school safer for all of our children as the whole school community takes children's safety extremely seriously. We talked in detail about a range of different ideas and over the coming weeks I will be in contact with you. Please look out next week for a questionnaire on how you travel to school.

Can I just add a gentle reminder to you to say that the school car park is for staff cars only. Please remember, when you come to school through the gate and use the zebra crossing can you please keep your child under close supervision as staff are still arriving at school. Many thanks.

Year 1 visit to St Mary's Church

A letter is coming home with your child today asking for help with walking the Year 1 children to St Mary's Church next Wednesday 27th January. Please see your child's teacher if you are able to assist with this.



Hearing Dogs - Stamps

Thank you to everyone who supported our collection of stamps for 'Hearing Dogs'. We have now sent the stamps off and consequently are no longer collecting them here at school.

Gardening Club

A letter has gone out to Yr 1 parents about the Gardening Club. The first session is on Friday 5 February. There will be two groups of eight for seven sessions. The cost is £1 per session and parent helpers are most welcome. We will be planting fruit trees, potatoes, carrots, garlic, shallots and lots more! We will also be helping to make the new nature garden.

Reception will start gardening again on Thursday 4 February with a new Grandpa helping.

Diary Dates 2009/2010:

SPRING TERM 2010	
Monday 25 th January	RNLI assembly - box in reception area for donations
Wednesday 27 th January	Year 1 visiting St Mary's Church
Monday 1 st February	School Closed - INSET training
Thursday 4 th February	Year 1 Perform Drama - 'Around the World' 2.15 pm Parents' Forum
Monday 15 th to Friday 19 th February	HALF TERM
Wednesday 3 rd March	9.00 am Parish Prayer Group in staffroom
Monday 8 th March	School Closed - INSET training
Friday 12 th March	Red Nose Day
Sunday 21 st March	1.00 pm PTA Indulgence afternoon - more details to follow
Tuesday 30 th March	2.00 pm Easter service at St Mary's Church
Wednesday 31 st March	Terms ends at 1.30 pm
SUMMER TERM 2010	
Monday 19 th April	Term at 8.55 am
Wednesday 5 th May	Year 2 singing in Redhill and Reigate Music Festival
Thursday 20 th May	Tempest class photographs
31 st May - 4 th June	Half term
Thursday 24 th and Friday 25 th June	School Closed - INSET training
Friday 23 rd July	Term ends at 1.30 pm

