

Newsletter

17th February 2017



Children First
OUTWOOD
PRIMARY ACADEMY DARFIELD

GOOD NEWS!

Spelling Bee

Six year 6 children attended the annual Outwood Primary Academy Spelling Bee which was held at Outwood Academy Shafton on Wednesday 15th February. The children were split up into teams of 2 and competed against 6 other teams of 2 from OPA Littleworth Grange. Our 3 teams finished 1st, 2nd and 3rd!! An absolutely amazing achievement.



Art Exhibition

A huge thank you to everyone who attended the art exhibition over the past few days - I am sure you will agree that the work on display was of exceptional quality. The children have really enjoyed the 'Create' topic and this was certainly reflected in the quality of the work produced.

Thank you to all the staff who helped set up the exhibition, to Lee Vamplew who volunteered his time and van to collect the screens (and to all the other parents who offered; there were too many to mention here) and to Outwood Academy Shafton for providing the screens.

The art work produced will be on sale to families for a donation of your choice after half term as we need to make sure we have copies of the work because we really don't want to lose them!!

Half Term Holiday/INSET Day

We hope everyone enjoys a well deserved break over half term and we look forward to seeing all of the children at 8:50am on Tuesday 28th February ready to learn. Please note that Monday 27th is an INSET day.

NOTICES:

Uniform reminder

Unfortunately, a number of uniform items that we have purchased and loaned out to children have become damaged to the point where they cannot be used again. Because of this, if your child has to borrow an item of clothing from school reserves, to protect the condition and ensure it does not become damaged, they will be expected to stay inside over play and lunch time. Please ensure your child comes in the correct school uniform.

New Dinner Menu

We will be introducing a new dinner menu **week commencing 27th February**. To view the menu please log onto our website or via ParentPay.

World Book Day - Friday 3rd March

We welcome parents and their child to share a bacon sandwich and a book in our hall on **Friday 3rd March at 8:30am - 9am**. All donations are warmly welcomed - this will contribute towards purchasing new books for the children and improving the library.

On the day children can dress up as a character from a favourite book. During the school day, learning will be geared around the love of books and authors.

School Photos - Thursday 2nd March

I am pleased to announce that individual and family group photos will be taking place on **Thursday 2nd March 2017** for your children during the school day.

If you have children who are below school age, and would like a family photograph please come to school for 8:30 am. The photographer is available for individual and family photos in the afternoon for after-

After school clubs



Our after school clubs will start the first week back after the half term, week commencing 27 February. Tuesday - Gymnastics & Y5 Math, Wednesday - Badminton and Thursday - Cricket/Games. If your child would like to join any of the after school clubs please enquire at the office.


Lunch boxes

At Outwood Primary Academy we try to encourage healthy eating. If your child wishes to have a packed lunch, we ask that parents carefully consider what they include. We would like parents to be mindful of sugar content in foods such as biscuits and we would suggest that a healthy lunch would consist of a sandwich, a piece of fruit and other healthy snacks such as a yogurt.

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR THE 2016/2017 ACADEMIC YEAR
For community and voluntary controlled primary, secondary and special schools

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 Denotes Bank Holidays
 Denotes School Holidays

 Denotes INSET Days

DIARY DATES:



- 27 February 2017 - INSET Day
- 28 February 2017 - First Day of Spring2 Term
- 2 March 2017 - School Photos
- 3 March 2017 - World Book Day