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Parc Eglos School Newsletter

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'Learning today for the world of tomorrow'

Harvest Festivals

We would like to invite you to our Year 2 - Year 6 Harvest Festival at St Michael's Church on **Wednesday 5th October 2016 at 9.00am**. Please could children bring in a tin/packet/box of food on this day (no glass or perishables, please). All donations will go to the Foodbank and Woman's Refuge. This is not a ticketed event and we look forward to seeing you there! Year 1 and Foundation will be holding a separate event in the school hall on **Wednesday 5th October 2016 from 10.45am - 11.30am**. Parents are welcome to come along and watch.

Upcoming Meetings

The Year 2 team would like to invite parents to their 'Welcome to Year 2' meeting which will be held on **Thursday 29th September 2016 at 5.00pm**. The meeting will be held in Mrs Eddy's classroom for all Year 2 parents.

The London Information Meeting for Year 5 parents has been rescheduled for **Thursday 6th October 2016 at 5.30pm** as Mr Dye has to attend a meeting at County hall on the original date.

Holiday Request Forms

We would like to remind you that Parc Eglos School recognises that attending school regularly and on time has a positive impact on learning, progress and therefore the best life chances for our students. Excellent attendance and punctuality are the key for the success of our students. We are pleased to be able to say that the figures for attendance and punctuality are improving since we published our new policy. Attendance percentages are not like examination results: an attendance percentage needs to be in the high 90s before it can be considered good. We have been receiving a large number of requests, since returning after the summer break, for holidays during term time. Our policy states that:

'Following the September 2013 amendment to The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006, Headteachers no longer have the discretion to authorise holidays during term time. Leave during term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances, for example, bereavement or serious illness.'

Please also be aware that the policy states:

The Headteacher has the power to issue sanctions such as prosecutions or penalty notices.

Please do make reasons for a request of absence clear on the form or talk to us if there are exceptional circumstances.

School Places

We thought it would be useful to update you regarding the allocation of places to our school. It was really disappointing that we had to refuse over 25 children for our Foundation classes this year. However, we are determined to keep class sizes at 30 maximum wherever possible as we believe this is essential for high quality teaching and learning. Our planned admission numbers are 60 per year group (apart from Nursery, where there are booked sessions so that the numbers can rise or fall according to need) and we thought it would be useful for you to see the number of children we have in each year group, as this gives you an idea of the size of the school and which year groups are completely full.

The current numbers in each year group are set out in the table to the right.

Nursery (Tadpoles)	18
Nursery (Frogs)	29
Foundation	59
Year 1	59
Year 2	60
Year 3	60
Year 4	58
Year 5	56
Year 6	60

Freedom of Helston Parade

On Wednesday 21st September, we took 48 of our service children to watch the Freedom of Helston parade. While we waited for the parade to begin, we were greeted by the Mayor of Helston who told the children that she herself had once been a Parc Eglos school pupil. The parade was short but the children enjoyed it.

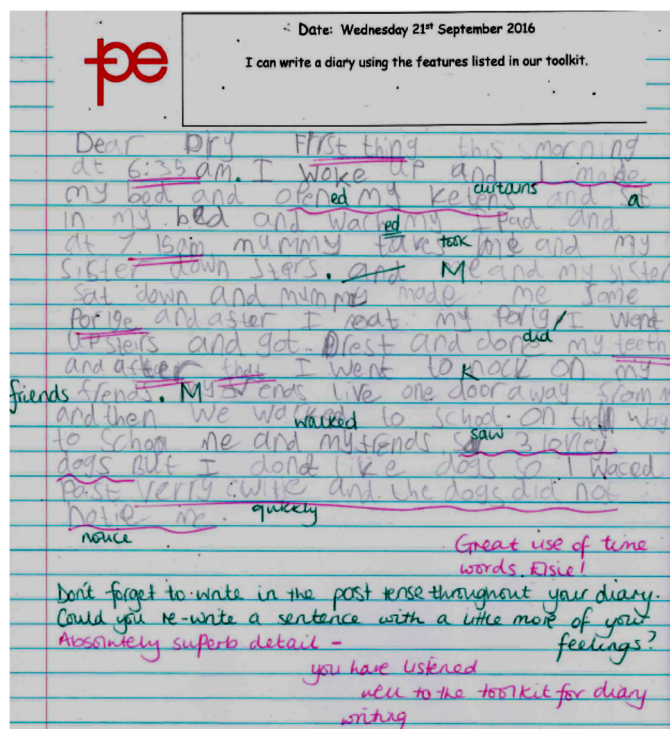


Friends of Parc Eglos

This week's recycling winners were classes 1CS and 6KB. Well done to these classes! This term we will be collecting recycling on a Monday afternoon.

Celebration of Work

Class 2HE have been working on diary writing this week. This is Elsie's diary entry outlining her morning routine. Well done Elsie!



Weekly Attendance for W/C 19.09.16

Class	Attendance %	No. of Lates
Sunbeams	99.4%	0
Stars	98.8%	0
1HT/NE	99.3%	0
1CS	92.4%	1
2HE	96.2%	0
2KD	98.0%	1
3AB	98.4%	5
3SG/DL	98.6%	4
4SC	99.0%	0
4PL/HH	96.9%	4
5RG	97.6%	2
5SR	98.1%	2
6KH	95.3%	0
6KB	94.7%	2

The expected percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Lets see if each class can aim for this or above!



Next week our school menu will be on **Red** week

Polite Reminder

Please could we remind all parents that, in line with our safeguarding and healthy eating procedures, no food items brought into school should contain nuts or nut products such as peanut butter, as a number of our children have serious nut allergies. Thank you.

Grapes and cherry tomatoes etc should also be sent in cut in half. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
29th September 2016	'Welcome to Y2' Meeting for Y2 Parents - 2HE at 5.00pm
4th October 2016	Cross Country for Y3-Y6 at St Michael's School 4.00pm
5th October 2016	Harvest Festival Y2-Y6 at St Michael's Church 9.00am
5th October 2016	Harvest Festival— Foundation/Y1 in the Hall 10.45am
6th October 2016	Meeting for Y5 Parents about London Residential - 5.30pm
W/B 17th October 2016	Parent Teacher Consultation Meetings
20th October 2016	Pumpkin Party 5.00pm-7.30pm

