

Parc Eglos School Newsletter

Friday, 6th January 2017



'Learning today for the world of tomorrow'

Happy New Year everyone! It was lovely to welcome back the children and to see them already working so hard on all their tasks. There is a lovely, vibrant spirit around the building and this will really help the children to achieve well and to be highly motivated. It has been great to receive so much support from parents and the Friends of Parc Eglos is such a thriving group which keeps on growing. Don't forget if you are concerned about anything you can talk to us at any time but we also have parent reps for your child's class who are always willing to pass on any relevant information. We don't do New Year's Resolutions as they don't last long enough but we are working on good manners to each other, being polite to adults and looking to improve the lunchtime experience for all our children. We have had some fruitful discussions about this in assembly today which I am sure your child will tell you about. We are so proud of our school and its growing status as one the leading Teaching Schools in the South West and we are looking forward with relish to the challenges of 2017.

Menu Change

On Thursday 19th January 2017 the kitchen will be serving an American themed lunch (hot dog with dressings and fries followed by a variety of American styled desserts) instead of pizza. We would be grateful if your child intends to take their Free School Meal/Universal Infant Free School Meal entitlement at any time during this academic year that, if at all possible, they take a meal on this day, as this is the date the Government calculates the funding our school receives based on meals taken that day. On Tuesday 10th January 2017 lunch will be meat feast / margarita pizza and the menu will return to normal for the rest of 'Red' week from Wednesday.

Important Reminder

Please could we remind parents that children should not be dropped to the school grounds before 8.35am. If children are at school unaccompanied before this time they will be taken into our breakfast club until the start of the school day. Could we also inform parents that if your child is in breakfast club, they are unable to leave until dismissed by the Boomerang staff at 8.45am. Thank you.

Cross Country

The next cross country league race will be taking place on **Tuesday 17th January 2017** at Mullion Secondary School starting at 4.00pm. This will be for children in Year 3 - Year 6. Please keep a look out for a letter to confirm transport arrangements.

The postponed race from November will be taking place at Porthleven School for Year 3 - Year 6 children on Tuesday 31st January 2017. This will also begin around 4.00pm.

Lost Property

We currently have a large amount of lost property which is not named. Please ensure all clothing/items are clearly labelled with your child's name so they can be returned as soon as possible to their owner. Thank you.

Friends of Parc Eglos

Welcome back! This week's recycling winners were classes 1CS and 4SC. The total collected was worth £31.88. Thank you for your donations!

We are looking forward to organising more events in 2017 to raise money for our school. Please keep a look out for a date for our next meeting and we hope to see a lot of you there!



Weekly Attendance for W/C 02.01.17

Class	Attendance %	No. of	The
		Lates	expected
Sunbeams	98.3%	0	percentage
Stars	99.4%	2	attendance
1HT/NE	94.3%	0	for a child
1CS	96.0%	1	is 96%.
2HE	95.4%	0	
2KD	98.3%	0	Lets see if
3AB	94.4%	1	each class
3SG/DL	97.2%	0	can aim for
4SC	100%	0	this or
4PL/HH	89.1%	1	above!
5R <i>G</i>	98.1%	0	
5SR	94.4%	5	_//
6KH	99.4%	1	
6KB	96.7%	1	

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

If your annual income is less than £16,190 you may be eligible to claim free school meals for your child. This could represent nearly £400 over the course of a year for one child. This also entitles the school to claim additional funding so please consider applying through the Cornwall Council Website if you are eligible. If you would like to discuss what is involved, please do not hesitate to contact US.

Boomerang Club

We still have some spaces available in art club (Year 3 - Year 6 children), street dance (Year 1 and Year 2 children) and Year 3/4 Supasoccer. Please contact Mrs Gilbert on 01326 555235 to request a place for your child.

Children are no longer going to be assigned to specific clubs on ParentPay. Please pay for any clubs run by Boomerang under the 'Boomerang Clubs' payment item. This item is set to a variable amount and so you can manually enter the amount to pay. Thank you.

If you are wanting to pay for general breakfast / after school club fees, these should be paid against the item 'Boomerang Wraparound Care'. If you have any problems or need any assistance, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Next week our school menu will be on Red week

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	
11th January 2017	Year 6 Transition at HCC - Foreign Languages	
17th January 2017	Cross Country at Mullion School for Year 3 - Year 6	
19th January 2017	Menu Change - American Themed Lunch	
30th January 2017	Chinese Themed Lunch for Chinese New Year	
31st January 2017	Cross Country at Porthleven School for Year 3 - Year 6	
W/B 13th February 2017 Half Term		
20th February 2017	Return to School	

Pupil Voice - Children tell us what they think about Teaching and Learning

In future we will be reporting on what pupils at Parc Eglos think about their learning. Mr Dye and Mrs Banner will be asking children across the school to comment on when they learn best, what learning is exciting, how the R's help with their learning and seeing what they understand by the term mastery. This week Gracie and Rohan from Year 6 gave us their thoughts and ideas.



When do you learn best?

Rohan: I like to look back through my work. Reading bookmarks have encouraged me to wake up every morning and read for 10 mins. Learning is exciting when I do physical activities like PE and when we are outdoors. I enjoy acting out things, doing drama in history to re-enact history. The 'Wow word' display in our classroom encourages our purple polishing. Wouldn't always find them (the words) in a dictionary or thesaurus. The more wow words are on there the more we want to add and better anyone else's, competitive! Learnt about values and treating people nicely. Choosing duties is really fun.

Gracie: I like maths sets, getting on with it/getting stuck in to something, but having adults to help gives me confidence to have a go. Self-assessment and colour coding (traffic lights) is good because I can see progress. I like to see all the times I am blue. When I purple polish I know I can improve it next time. Looking back has a really important effect. I remember the words I have purple polished in my next piece of work. Learning to have empathy has helped by knowing what others are feeling. Having duties in Y6 prepares you for later on and having responsibility.

How have the R's helped with your learning?

Rohan: School has encouraged me to want to do more things at home like practise my piano longer, I have learnt resilience through the R's, using resilience and never giving up. Responsibilities - having jobs around school is good in Y6. My favourite job is the office team because it's fun filling the printer and helping the adults., I like to see the R's even in Y6 on display, not necessarily as the characters I learnt when I was younger in Y3.

Gracie: In school I have learnt what I am good at, like maths and science. I am better at using vocabulary and punctuation. If I hadn't learnt that my writing would be rubbish. Coaching with the R's helped remind me of them as well as helping younger children. My favourite responsibility is Huff & Puff because it is fun tidying-up when it's not my room being organised.

What is Mastery?

Rohan: It is impossible to be perfect - practice makes progression!