



Panshanger Primary School NEWSLETTER

Monday 26th 2018

Sports Relief

What an amazing sight it was last Wednesday, as the whole school walked down to the Lagoon to take part in our Sports Relief run. Everyone put in 100% effort, including Mr Wackett who managed to sprint past the whole school!

Thank you for the sponsor forms and money that has already been brought back to school; if there is any outstanding please return to the school office by Thursday 29th March.

Sports

Panshanger children have been very busy recently taking part in a range of different opportunities.

- A team of children from years 5 and 6 attended the Indoor athletics final at SFO - they worked really well and showed great team spirit.
- All of the KS2 children had a visit from coaches from Essendon Golf club who worked with the children. The coaches commented on the excellent attitude of the children and their obvious enjoyment and engagement in the sport.
- Our cross-country team attended the annual race at Sherrardswood School where they competed against numerous other schools from WGC and Hatfield. All the children did so well racing in a very competitive situation - special mention to Rhys in year 6 who won the Boys A race. An amazing achievement.
- Representatives from Years 5 and 6 attended the Dance Festival at the Hawthorne theatre in WGC. They performed 2 dances: Matilda and High School Musical, a wonderful experience for them all.
- The school football team attended a tournament where as usual they played excellently together as a team scoring some skilful goals. They have another tournament this week at Monk's Walk so we wish them good luck!

Year 5 Class Assembly - Wednesday 28th March

This is tomorrow at 8.45 a.m. All parents/carers welcome!

This is just a selection of the sporting opportunities that are offered to the children outside the PE curriculum which could not be achieved without the drive, determination and many additional hours given by the school staff and parents who help to run the clubs. Thank you!

Nursery Applications

The Nursery applications close on **Friday 20th April** and parents will be informed of places shortly after this date. If you already have a sibling in school and still need to send in an application form please do so before the end of term.

Site Supervisor

It was great to welcome Mr Watts back to school following his time in USA. Mr Griggs will continue to work with us through the next month as we have compiled a list of jobs to complete, including painting the school hall.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Griggs, who although only working with us for such a short amount of time has made a real contribution to the smooth day-to-day running of the school. He has fitted seamlessly into the staff team and has developed good relationships with the children. Thank you.

School Journey - Outstanding Payments

Letters were sent home over a week ago detailing outstanding amounts due for the school journey. Some of these are still outstanding and would need to be paid either online or direct into the school office by this **WEDNESDAY 28th March.**

Vomitting / Diarrhoea

If your child is sick or has diarrhoea the HCC guidance recommends 48 hours absence from school from the last episode. However, if your child is eating normally within 24 hours and there have been no repeat episodes in that time we are happy for the child to return to school.



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Clubs

These will finish for this term on Wednesday 28th March. The clubs for the Summer term will not start until week commencing 30th April.

A new clubs form will be sent out with the diary dates at the beginning of term.

Premier Multi-Sports / Dance

These clubs will continue on a Friday afternoon for 4 weeks from Friday 4th - 25th May. The cost will be £12.00 for the half term. You can book your child's place now by going online to www.premier-education.com and selecting Panshanger Primary School.

School pool

As the summer approaches, it is time to start thinking about the use of our school pool. We have decided to open the pool slightly earlier this year (as the weather is often better during May) and are proposing to begin swimming sessions for both school and PTA use on **Tuesday 1st May**.

The PTA afterschool swimming sessions will now run Tuesday - Friday from 3.30 - 5.30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 2.00 - 5.00 p.m. The price of a family ticket will remain the same as last year £45.00 (for members of the family that live in the same house). If you are interested in buying family ticket please collect a form from the carousel outside the office.

With this in mind we have set a date for the annual pool cleaning session which will be **Saturday 21st April**, any parents, grandparents with a few hours to spare please join us.

Mrs Waring will be using the same day to tackle some gardening jobs around the school so if you would prefer to help with that please talk to her about what needs doing.

School Dinner Money Charges

The dinner money charges for the first half of the Summer Term are as follows :-

£67.20 for meals taken everyday
£43.20 for 3 meals per week
£28.80 for 2 meals per week
£14.40 for Friday Fun Lunches

Please remember to check your balance on schoolcomms on a regular basis to prevent your account going into arrears. All meals should be paid for in advance of them being taken, so please ensure you have enough credit to cover meals for the first week back at school after the Spring break, thank you.

End of Term

School closes at 2.00 p.m. this Thursday 30th March. Have a lovely break!