



Panshanger Primary School NEWSLETTER

31st March 2017

Sporting News

On Monday a group of the Year 5 & 6 children took part in the Sherrardswood Cross Country run. The children all ran really well on what was a very challenging course with a special mention to Rhys and James in Year 5 who came 2nd and 5th respectively in their race.

Yesterday Monks Walk School held a 7 a-side Football tournament in which we took part. The boys from our team did really well and reached the quarter finals. Thank you to Mr McLoughlin and Mr Scott for giving up their time and accompanying the boys to the event.

The Big Pedal

It was great to see so many children taking part in the Big Pedal on Wednesday, we had 119 journeys taken in total. The children understand that this is a healthy way to get to school whilst helping the environment at the same time.

Sponsored Readathon

The children are very excited as we have now placed the order with Usborne Books for a staggering amount of £940.00 of books! Thank you to all those that participated.

Red Nose Day

What great hair and outfits the children came to school with last Friday for Red Nose Day! We raised another staggering £386.40 for the charity.

Nursery Hours

Parents will be able to view the Nursery place offers online from Tuesday 25th April. Parents have until Wednesday 3rd May to accept or decline the offer. Following discussion earlier in the year, the Governing Body decided that the school is not in a position to offer the 30 free hours, so we will be continuing with the 15 hours per week in the morning as at present.

Busy Fingers Club

The clubs form will be sent home on **Wednesday 19th April**. **Busy Fingers club will be the ONLY club to start week commencing Monday 24th April**. This only allows 4 weeks for each Busy Fingers group (taking into account the missing Bank Holidays and School Journey week). **If you would like your child to have a place in this club please return the club form by 9.00 a.m. Friday 21st April.** **All other clubs will start the following week commencing Tuesday 2nd May.**

Swimming at Hatfield Pool

Swimming will start again on **Thursday 20th April** for Years 3 & 5, **the day after we start back**. Welwyn Hatfield Council (who run Hatfield Swimming pool) have increased their price slightly making the new subsidised amount per week £4.50 per child, which also covers insurance and transport for which we will be requesting contributions. Letters will be sent out the first day back in April.

Unfortunately, should we not receive sufficient contributions from parents to cover the tuition and coach costs then it may not be possible to continue with these swimming lessons **as the school is not in a position to fund this activity.**

Dance Festival at Hawthorne Theatre

Some of the children from Years 5 and 6 will be taking part in the 'Chance to Dance' competition at the Gordon Craig Theatre on Monday 24th April at 6.45 p.m. We would like to wish them the best of luck!

Early Morning Activity Club

It has become apparent that a few parents are turning up early with their children for the early morning club. **Please remember that the club starts at 7:50a.m. and for health and safety reasons children SHOULD NOT BE ON THE SCHOOL SITE BEFORE THEN** as we do not have the staff available to supervise children before that time. Thank you

Midday Supervisory Role

We are looking for a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our lunchtime team. If you are interested in the position please collect an application form from the school office. A Data and Barring check and references will be taken.

Spring Holidays

School closes for the Spring Holiday break tomorrow at 2:00 p.m.

The school will re-open to the children at 8:40 a.m. on Wednesday, 19th April.

Have a great break!

