



*'Be safe, be kind.  
Listen and think a lot.  
Be your best!'*



# *The Perryfield Post*

## *January weather!*

After some more warnings the snow finally arrived again. I don't think this particular neck of the woods got as much as other parts of the country. So I think we have been rather fortunate so far.

Could you please ensure that your child comes to school with a named warm coat and appropriate footwear and change of clothes, should they need it.

We always endeavour to keep the school open whenever possible but at times, for health and safety reasons this isn't always

possible. Please access our school website for possible school closures.

And remember to bring your wellies! Can you also remember to provide the children with tracksuit bottoms and trainers for outside P.E.

Spare clothes—as the wet and windy weather continues we are finding that we are in desperate need of certain spare clothes. If you have any knickers, pants, tights or socks, that your child has outgrown we would greatly appreciate them being donated to our spare clothes supply.

## *Spelling Workshop*

Last week we sent home an email about changes to our whole school spelling homework. Hopefully the children have already been given some of the spelling patterns to take home. In addition, we mentioned the push for the children to learn the

Common Exception words and the introduction of spelling badges. As teachers we have been given several strategies to support the children with their spellings in class.

On Monday 19th February at 2.15 pm Mrs Fairbanks, the school's

## *Chinese New Year*

This year the Chinese New Year falls on Friday 16th February during half term. To enhance the curriculum, here at Perryfields Infants we plan lots of exciting activities for the children to take part in to celebrate this festival. Miss Newland, our R.E. and PSHE/SMSC leader will be organising a Chinese New Year competition for over half term, which will be judged on Tuesday 20th February. Miss Newland will also be inviting parents into school on 20th February in the afternoon to take part in some Chinese activities in the classes.

More details to follow.



Literacy leader will be holding a Spelling Workshop. This is an ideal opportunity to come into school before the end of the day and explore helpful spelling resources and ask any questions linked to this subject.

## *Perryfields Infant School*

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### *Dates for your diary...*

- 31st Jan—new parent helper meeting 9.15 a.m. **(NEW DATE)**
- 5th Feb—PAIR reading meeting for all Foundation Stage parents 2.15 p.m.
- 7th Feb—Sapphire class Forest Schools to start (please bring additional outside clothes)
- 9th Feb—Sapphire class assembly 9.15 a.m.
- 9th Feb—FIPS meeting at 2 p.m.
- 9th Feb—Last day of the half-term.
- 12th—16th Feb Half Term holiday.
- 19th Feb—Children back to school.
- 20th Feb—Chinese New Year afternoon in class (details to follow)
- 28th Feb—Book Fair in school (details to follow)
- 1st March—World Book Day (details to follow)
- 6th Mar—Year 2 Gym competition 9.30-11.00am
- 12th Mar—Science Week (details to follow)
- 16th March—FIPS meeting at 2 p.m.—everyone welcome
- 23rd Mar—Emerald Class Assembly—9.15am
- 26th & 28th Mar—parents consultation evenings.





## *The Big Question*

### **Core Value—enthusiasm!**

This week we have been looking at what's happening in the world around us. Did you know that there are 100 days to go until the Winter Olympics officially kicks off in the Asian country of South Korea? Thousands of enthusiastic athletes from around the world will be going for glory on the ice and snow. We will be discussing whether you need to be good at something to be enthusiastic about it.

We have also been trying to be more enthusiastic about recycling.



cling. Why do people recycle? What are the benefits of recycling? The BIG QUESTION however for this week is:

### **Why do people want to ban plastic?**

Please discuss this at home and see if you can find out the answer.



## *A change of date*

Due to a clash in diary commitments I am unable to hold the new Parent Helper meeting this Friday. If you are interested in regularly helping in school the initial meeting will now be held on **Wednesday 31st January** at 9.15am. I look forward to seeing you then.

## *School Website*

Please remember to go onto our school's website on

**[www.perryfieldsinfantschool.org.uk](http://www.perryfieldsinfantschool.org.uk)**

We are always trying to keep it up to date with relevant and useful information for everyone.

Recent Perryfield Posts and newsletters are available and the school calendar has all the dates for key events for the entire year. Look at the children/children's achievements tab to see who the class super stars

## *A few reminders—*

If your child is going home with another child in their class, it is school policy that this information should be given **in writing** to the class teacher. Teachers and LSAs cannot take verbal messages of this kind. I am sure you will understand, that in a busy classroom of 30 young children, verbal messages will inevitably be forgotten.

and headteacher super stars are for the week.

There is a new Headteacher's Blog which comments on various events in the school for example, highlighting fantastic work, assembly ideas, the school council work, who gained their pen licence, which competitions we entered and general achievements and photographs. We hope you enjoy looking at it and find it helpful. The children love looking at it!

## *'FIPS' meeting*

The next meeting of the 'Fips' Team will be on **Friday 9th February at 2 pm.**

It would be great to see as many of you as possible, so that we can plan some events for 2018.

It is called a 'Team' as everyone is always invited and welcome.

I really value the hard work that parents and carers put into events at school. The money raised via 'FIPS' is definitely enjoyed being spent by the children. The children are keen to purchase a new climbing frame!

**The safety of your children is paramount, so to avoid any mishap please write messages.**

### *Foundation Stage parents -*

Foundation Stage parents please remember the **PAIR Reading meeting Monday 5th February at 2.15 pm.** I look forward to seeing you there.

### *Cancellation of P.M.*

### *Peardrops Session—*

Just to remind parents that there will be no evening Peardrops session on Tuesday 30th January 2018.

The session is cancelled to allow staff to attend a TUPE meeting to be held away from the school premises as part of the consultation on conversation to Academy status. All fees for the session will be credited back to your child's account. Please make alternative arrangements for after school care that day and ensure your child is collected promptly from school, as there will be no staff on site.