

*'Wherever you are—
Love learning, stay sensible, keep caring.'*



The Perryfield Post

Something to celebrate!

What a year! I have to say that this has been an extremely challenging year as a headteacher. There have been many changes in terms of the national educational agenda.

As parents and carers you will all be aware, that the focus at Perryfields Infants remains firmly on the children both in their learning and welfare. During the course of this year whatever has befallen us, our first question is always 'what about the children?' All the staff have taken these

statutory changes on-board to ensure the children continue to get the best care and education possible. I could not have asked for a more dedicated staff team—not just teachers but all the support staff—really do have the welfare of the children at heart.

The children have been fantastic through all the changes of staff we have had and the curriculum. I am immensely proud of all of them.

The Year 2 children in particular have showed wonderful resilience with a broader and harder new curriculum and tests and continued to work hard throughout

the year. The end of year assessments are testament to their attitude to learning.

Due to assessments and the new curriculum changes we have no comparative data from previous years but I was extremely proud that they all took these changes in their stride.

I am sure your children will continue to progress and flourish as they continue their learning journey in the junior school. They should all be very proud of their achievements!

I would like to wish each and everyone of you a happy summer holiday when they arrive.

Perryfields Infant School

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Dates for your diary...

- 12 July—4-5pm Year 2 children—Junior school disco
- 14 July—Open evening at Infant and Junior schools 3.15-5.30pm
- 15 July—Reports to parents
- 15 July—Year 2 and Year 3 joint picnic
- 19 July—Year 2 leavers play at 1.45pm (Pearl & Garnet Class parents)
- 20 July—Year 2 leavers play at 9.30am (Diamond Class parents)
- 22 July—School Inflatables Day
- 22 July—Last Day of Term
- 5 Sept—Yr 1 & 2 children start back at school.
- 9 Sept—Year 1 meet the teacher 2.30pm
- 16 Sept—Year 2 meet the teacher 2.30pm
- 22 Sept—F/S meet the teacher 2.30pm

Named carrier bags please!

One last request to you all! Please could you send into school a large, strong carrier bag clearly marked with your child's name.

This is so the children can bring home the fantastic work they have produced throughout

the year. Please take a little time to have a look at their topic books. You will be able to see how the children have improved throughout the course of the year. They have worked hard to produce the pieces of work and are very proud of

their achievements.

This year we will be keeping the children's maths and literacy books to take up into their new classes. This will give their new teachers an idea of the fantastic work that they can do!



The Big Question

This is the last Big Question for this academic year and we have all been thinking about changes and new beginnings. During lessons and assemblies we have been discussing the prospect of having a new classroom, new teacher, new LSA and even going to a new school. These are all important milestones for all the children in their learning journeys. Some children will be excited and can't wait for these changes whilst other children maybe more anxious or scared.

Through these discussions we hope to allay any worries and discuss any positive and negative feelings.

Hopefully all the children will have positive memories that they will take with them into their new class or new school.

The BIG QUESTION this week is— Do you look forward to changing classes and schools?
Discuss.

Please discuss this further at home.

Swimming

Swimming has been a huge success this half term. The children have enjoyed the sessions very much. They have got themselves changed and dried quickly, impressing all the LSAs who supervise the changing sessions.

I would like to thank Mrs Zoe Gardner and Mrs Marianne Clarke, the swimming teachers for helping the children to grow in confidence in the water. I am sure the Foundation Stage children will enjoy the swimming next year when they are in Year 1.

We did it!

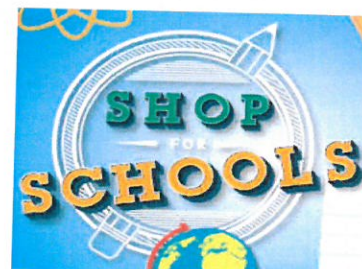


SHOP FOR SCHOOLS

A huge thank you to everyone who collected and posted the Shop For School tokens in the Meadows shopping centre recently. I am extremely pleased to say that we came 1st out of 14 other local schools. There were several bonus tokens from The Chronicle right at the end which I

think pushed us back to the top of the leader board. It is wonderful to know that even as a fairly small school we were able to beat several other larger primary schools. The first prize award is £500 cash which we can spend on school resources. This money will be placed into our school fund and as always we will ask

the School Council to get the children's own ideas on how we can spend the prize.



THANK YOU

Lost Property

There is currently a large amount of lost property in our medical room. We will be putting this out into the reception area after school next week. Please come into the reception area to see if you can find any of your child's belongings—there is a very strange array of items so please have a look before it all goes to the charity shop at the end of the year.

Hot School Meals for September

There is still quite of few children who have not renewed their hot meals order for September 2016. Your child will not receive their hot meal in September unless a new order form is sent into school. Their current choices do not roll over to the new school year so even if their choices for September are the same as they are for now, we still need an order form from you. This must be

sent into school as soon as possible and BEFORE 9am on Wednesday 20th September otherwise it really will be too late to order meals for the first week back in September. If you no longer have the order form sent home previously, you can pick one up from reception or print one from our website.