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Love learning, stay sensible, keep caring.'*



# *The Perryfield Post*

**Perryfields Infant School**

## *Join us for a coffee!*

I am sure you all know by now that tomorrow there is a big event in aid of MacMillan Cancer Research. 'The Biggest Coffee Morning in the World' began some years ago and has become a regular fixture here at Perryfields Infants. We are always astounded by your generosity and last year we raised **£834** for MacMillan. This is amazing as we are quite a small school with only 196 children! Tomorrow is the big event so we would very much appreciate

your donations of cakes and biscuits—please bring them to reception first thing in the morning. Each class will have the opportunity of coming into the hall to have a drink and a cake or biscuit with you. If you are unable to attend please don't worry, the children will have their drink with the class LSA. We will be taking donations and the children will be coming round with plates of cakes or biscuits.

Just to remind you and so that we don't get a huge crush in the hall, the morning should run like this -

Ruby and Topaz  
9.15-9.45 am

Emerald and Sapphire  
10.00-10.30 am

Diamond and Pearl  
11.00-11.30 am

If you have children in two different year groups we don't expect you to come twice—unless you want to that is! We will make sure your children sit with you whenever you arrive.

If anyone could bake a cake that we could raffle that would be most appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you all tomorrow!

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### *Dates for your diary..*

- 25 Sept—MacMillan Coffee Morning
- 1 Oct—2.30pm Reception Meet the Teacher
- 2 Oct—9.30am & 11.00am Harvest Assembly
- 7 Oct—7pm Early reading/writing parents workshop
- 9 Oct—Individual school photos am
- 9 Oct—Fips Meeting 2pm
- 16 Oct—Pearl Class Assembly 9.15am
- 16 Oct—Year 1 P.A.I.R reading meeting 2.00pm
- 19 Oct—Parents Consultation 4-6.30pm
- 21 Oct—Parent Consultation 6-8.30pm
- 23 Oct—Non-pupil day
- 2 Nov—Children back to school
- 19 Nov—SEN/Early Years Coffee morning 9.15am
- 20 Nov—Parent Assessment Meeting 2.30pm (more details to follow)
- 27 Nov—Diamond Class Assembly

## *Name it or lose it!*

Even though the term is just a few weeks old, there are dozens of sweatshirts in the lost property basket. Most of them are brand new! Several people have gone through them looking for names so that they could be

returned to their rightful owner but there are simply no readable names on them. School uniform gives the children a sense of belonging to a community and we instil in the children that they should be proud to wear the Perryfields uniform.

Please teach your children to look after their things and also please name every piece of clothing and equipment clearly. If nobody claims the items in lost property we give it away to a charity.



## *A few reminders .....*

I cannot emphasise enough the fact that your children must not go on the climbing frame either before or after school. Children are only allowed on the climbing frame (or adventure playground as we call it in school) when there is a member of the school staff supervising.

The school's insurance is only valid if a member of the staff team are with the children.

Similarly, the Foundation Stage team are using the covered area outside their classrooms considerably more than previously. Please do not allow your children

to play in this area before or after school. The activities which are set up form part of the Foundation Stage curriculum and have been set up for a purpose—they are not simply for children to play with.

We would all very much appreciate your support in this. Children should also not run wildly around the playground, in the morning or after school tempting though it may be.

Please insist that your child stands with you quietly while you wait for the bell signalling the start of the school day. Children can then walk calmly into school thus giving them a more settled beginning to their lessons.

Similarly, there have been occasions this term when pre-school children have become distressed because they have got lost in the playground. Please ensure that you know where your children are and that they are supervised closely.

## *Change of dates and more dates*

The term has well and truly started and the children and staff have already been working hard. As always we try to pre plan key events and unfortunately sometimes these dates clash. The individual **photographer** has now been moved to Friday 9th October. On the 16th October at 2.00pm we are inviting the Year 1 parents and carers into school to hear about our great Year 1 **reading project** that all the Year 1 children and parents will be taking part in.

The **parent assessment meeting** has now been changed to Friday 20th November at 2.30pm. This is an opportunity for all parents to gain a greater understanding on how we assess children's learning, progress and attainment throughout the school. **Coffee Mornings**—this year we are introducing informal coffee mornings where you are able to meet members of the school team to gauge more information about

specific areas of school life and ask questions. It is also a good opportunity to make links with other parents. Our first coffee morning will be held by Mrs Barnett the school Senco (special educational needs co-ordinator) and Miss Connett the Early Years Leader. If you have a child with additional needs and would like to find out more about the role of the school Senco and how we support children with additional needs please come along (more details to follow).

## *School Council News*

The children have been deciding who they wanted for their School Council representatives. This vote is completely democratic with each class voting for a boy and a girl member.

I am pleased to be able to announce the School Council representatives for the Year 1 and Year 2 classes. The Foundation Stage do not join the School Council until the summer term—for obvious reasons!

The Emerald Class representatives are, Oscar Ellis and Orla Crumlish. The Sapphire representatives are Erin Springett and Finley Mitchell. The Diamonds voted for Jessica Filmer and Oliver Smith. The Garnet school council are Jack Willis and Lilly Bye. Finally the Pearl class representatives are Ava Bass and Zak Buckthorpe.

I am sure they will make a great team.

## *The Big Question*



This week we have all been thinking about our school and class rules and the importance of laws. The big question is Why do we have Laws in Britain? We discussed speeding and parking rules. Can the children think of 2 different laws that we must follow?