

Whoever you are, be happy, be safe, be kind, stay sensible, love learning.

Keep caring!'



## The Perryfields Post

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was wonderful to see so many parents/grandparents and friends at our Open Afternoon on Tuesday. The children enjoyed showing their work to the grownups and their classrooms. It was lovely to hear the positive feedback from you about having the time to look at the work with the children. I would like to say a big thank you to the staff for the time they spent sorting the books in and out of trays to make this possible. Each term we will have an Open Afternoon where you will be able to see the progress in their books.

It was also great to see so many parents/carers at the Phonics, Reading Workshop that Mrs Fairbanks led on Tuesday morning. If you were unable to make it and would like to see some of the slides, handouts etc that were discussed you can locate them on the school website under 'Parent Information', 'Helping your child: workshops'.

## Pre-loved uniform sale

Thank you to everyone who has donated pre-loved uniform to the school. The quality of the uniform is excellent and the FIPS team will be holding a pre-loved uniform sale at our parents evening on Thursday 2nd November 4:15pm— 6:30pm and again in the morning of Friday 3rd November at 9:00am. Please come along to see if there is anything you need.

## Show Racism, Bullying and Unkindness the Red Card

This week in assemblies we have been looking at being responsible for our own behaviour. We have looked at how we are all similar and different in many ways (hair styles, hair colour, eye colours, heights, skin colour, hobbies/ interests, pets, families etc). We learnt about being responsible for our own actions and to treat others how we would like to be treated. We discussed that sometimes people are unkind and may do/say unkind things to people and that, just like in a football match we are going to show Unkindness, Bullying and Racism the RED CARD! We looked at age appropriate scenarios about making the right choices and encouraged the children to always tell a trusted adult if and when something happens.

Lots of children and staff joined in with this message by wearing something red to school today. It was lovely to see how many children understood why we were wearing red today and my hope is that everyone is just that little bit kinder and responsible in their actions.

#### Perryfields Infant School

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#### Dates for your diary...

- 19th Oct—Winter Disco
- 19th Oct—Last day at school
- 20th Oct—INSET DAY NON-PUPIL DAY30th Oct—Back to school
- 30th Oct—Emerald Class Forest School Starts (Date change)
- 30th/31st Oct—Report cards to go home
- 2nd Nov—Parents Evening (4:10—6:40pm)
- 2nd Nov—Pre-loved uniform sale (4.15-6.30pm)
- 7th Nov—Parents Evening (3:30—6pm)
- 10th—15th Travelling Book Fair
- 17th Nov—Children In Need23rd Nov—Secrets Room (details to follow)
- 24th Nov—Secrets Room (details to follow)
- 4th Dec—Emerald Class
  last Forest School
- 5th Dec—EYFS Christmas plays at 9:30am (2 people only)
- 7th Dec—KS1 Christmas play 9:30am (Sapphire & Pearl parents). 2pm (Emerald & Diamond parents). Only 2 parents.

# *Year 2 Parents- transition to the junior school—important!*

All current Year 2 parents must complete the Essex County Council online admissions form by <u>15th January 2024</u> to ensure their child gets a place in Year 3 at the junior school in September 2024. Applications open on <u>6th November</u> and close on the <u>15th January</u>. You only need to name one school—Perryfields Junior School and ensure that you send it in time. Once sent, you will receive an email confirming it has been submitted. This is really important as your child will not get a place if it is a late application.

### Information/Reminders

**<u>CONSIDERATE PARKING</u>**—Please can I remind everyone who is unable to walk to school to park considerately in the local roads. Please avoid parking in front of peoples drives or on the pavements. Thank you.

**<u>COMMUNITY GOVERNOR</u>**—We still have two spaces on our Governing Body, which either a parent, carer or grand parent or someone in the local community could do. Being Governor is a rewarding role and the LGB is a friendly group of people who meet six times a year on Monday evenings at 6:30pm. If you or someone you know would be interested or like to find out a bit more about what it entails please pop in to see me or send the school an email on admin@perryfieldsinf.essex.sch.uk. This is a way in which local people can help Perryfields Infants School continue to thrive and grow.

**TRAVELLING BOOK FAIR**—The book fair will be visiting Perryfields on Friday 10th November 8:40am and 2:40pm, Monday 13th November at 8:40am, Tuesday 14th November at 8:40 and Wednesday 15th November at 8:40am. This is a great opportunity to buy those early Christmas presents.

Have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 30th October.

Best wishes,

Amanda Reid

#### Dates continued.....

- 8th Dec—Christmas Fayre
- 13th Dec—Christmas lunch and jumper day (TBC)
- 15th Dec—Christmas Panto
- 19th Dec—Last Day 1:15pm home time (no Peardrops)
- 20th Dec—NON-PUPIL DAY (Staff Training)
- Christmas holidays
- 4th January 2024—Back To School
- 8th Jan—2 Johns online safety parent & staff training 8:30pm (save the date)

### Mrs Farmer's Attendance Award - Ruby Class 98.33%