

Calder Vale St John's Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

July 14, 2017

At the end of a fantastic school year we would like to thank all parents and carers for your support.

School closes on Friday 21st July at 1pm and reopens on Monday 4th September.

End of Year production

All the children and staff have been busy rehearsing our end of year production - 'Pirates and Mermaids'. The production is a chance for children to show off their drama, music and english skills whilst having lots of fun.

Please come along to Calder Vale Village Hall at 6.30pm on Tuesday to support your child; friends and neighbours are also welcome. Entry will be £2 on the door. Children need to arrive in their costumes (which will be sent home on Tuesday). Costumes need to be returned to school on Wednesday please. Thanks to parents and carers who have been able to support us with costumes, scenery and props.

Uniform

We have a number of children wearing incorrect items of uniform, please help us to ensure that in September we start the school year looking smart:

- Grey or black skirt, pinafore or trousers
- White shirt
- Blue school sweatshirt
- White, grey or black socks or tights, please not coloured or patterned
- Black shoes - please not trainers or boots

No pupils should be wearing jewellery or nail varnish. Thank you.

Year 6

Our Year 6 pupils from both schools will be joining together with staff for a meal on Monday evening.

End of term service

Our end of year service will take place on Friday 21st July at 9.15am. We will be saying Goodbye to our Year 6 pupils at this service. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Safeguarding and child protection

We are aware of a number of children in school who have the Snapchat App on mobile devices. Please be aware that this App has a new feature - 'Snap Maps'.

The police have issued a child safety warning due to the software revealing users' precise locations. Please could you discuss this with your child if they use Snapchat and ensure that they are set to 'Ghost Mode' in the Snapchat settings so that they remain hidden to others. We would advise looking in the settings of any new app and ensure privacy is set to maximum. We would also like to remind all parents and carers that the minimum age for Snapchat users is 13. For more advice please read: http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/snapchat_guide.pdf

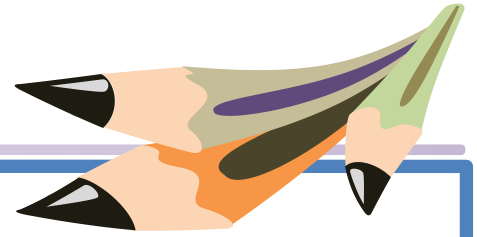
Please ensure that your child is safe online over the summer holidays

Guinea Pigs

The Guinea Pigs are looking for a summer home. If you are able to have the guinea pigs for a week or more over summer please speak to Mrs Kelsall in the office. Thank you.

School Lunches

Please return menu choices for September asap and before Wednesday 19th July. All outstanding invoices must be paid before the end of term.



Bluebell Festival Idea

Please come to a meeting on Monday 17th July at 7.30 in the Village Hall. We will discuss an idea about amalgamating the Children's festival with Bluebell Teas and having "Calder Vale Bluebell Festival" in May. We want to make this a village festival as opposed to a children's festival and spread the workload around the community.

You won't be given a job / role unless you want one. BUT we do need lots of thoughts and ideas from OUR community.

The committee NEED to bring new people on board to ensure future festivals can take place. We want new ideas to make our festival relevant for our whole community.

If you would like to be involved or have ideas and are unable to make the meeting, please get in touch.

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Dates for the Autumn Term 2017

Staff training Friday 1st September

School opens on Monday 4th September 8.55am

Sunday 24th September -Harvest festival 3pm at St John's Church led by all pupils

18th October - Finance and Resources Committee Governing Body

24th October Standards and effectiveness Committee Governing Body

Half term 30th October to 3rd November (incl)

8th November - Full Governing Body Meeting

