Calton Primary School Newsletter No 2 29th September 2017

'Confident People Shining at School'

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Message from Head Teacher

This week in assembly I brought in something which is very special for me (ask your child if they are in Year 1 -6 what it was!).

I continued my focus on how important it is for us all to get enough sleep so that we can enjoy our hours when we are awake. Children across the school were able to identify the reasons we need sleep - to rest, to give us energy and to help our bodies get better (including when we are poorly) and to get us ready for and remember our learning.

I reminded the children how much sleep they are recommended to have broadly based on their ages. In Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 it is around 11 - 12 hours per night whilst in Years

3 - 6 there is a recommendation of between 10 - 11 hours at least.

During the week it has been a pleasure to have children telling me how much sleep they have had and the routines they have before bed. The message is very clear - sleep is important (and for grown ups too!).

Sarah Bunce

LOOK … NEW for Calton parents...

Drop in morning for parents. Every Thursday in Onyx, 8.45-9.30.
Tea and coffee available. Members of the pastoral team will be available to talk, give advice or just get to know you.

Positive Parent Course "Time Out For Parents" starting Oct 17th, 9-11am. Letters have been sent home, please return the slip to Mrs Smithson.

External Parenting Course at The Lighthouse Children's Centre, Gloucester
Triple P Parenting Course 0-12 years. This is an 8 week course running in the Gloucester area. Contact Kash Allen or Samantha Riley 01452 530312 or 07808 737240
Email kash.allen@barnados.org.uk or samantha.riley@barnardos.org.uk for details.

Class Attendance Figures

Mrs Short, School Attendance Officer, would like to say **WELL DONE** and keep up the great attendance to each of the following classes:

Week 18.09.17 - 22.09.17

Ruby Class, Year 3 and **Blue Class, Reception** for achieving **100%** attendance

Week 25.09.17 - 29.09.17

Copper Class, Year 5 for achieving 99.3% and **Ruby Class, Year 3** for achieving 98.% attendance



Reporting Pupil Absences

If your child will be absent from school due to illness, please telephone the school Office, before 9am, stating child's name, class and the nature of the illness.
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Medical Appointments

We understand that hospital appointments need to be attended at times offered, however, we ask that Doctor and Dental appointments are made out of school hours.

Dates for your diaries



10th October	**Y6 residential meeting, 6pm, Gems Hall**
11th October	Y1 visit Beechenhurst
12th Ocotber	Maths Open Morning 9.15 - 10.30am*
13th October	**Interim reports**
17th October	**Parents Evening, 3.30-5.30pm**
18th October	**Parents Evening, 3.30-6.30pm**
20th October	End of Term 1
30th October	Start of Term 2
31st October	Deadline to apply for Secondary School places
30th Oct-3rd Nov	Y6 Residential trip to Condover Hall
10th November	**Y6 Platinum Class assembly, 9.10am**
17th November	**Y2 Magenta Class assembly, 9.10am**
17th November	Arts week mini exhibition 3.30 - 4.15pm*
23rd November	Y1 Cinema visit
24th November	**Fireworks at Calton, 6-8pm**
1st December	**School disco**
13th December	**Christmas lunch**
19th December	End of Term 2
3rd January 2018	Start of Term 3
11th January	Y1 start swimming lessons
12th January	Y3 start swimming lessons
22nd January	**Y3 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm**
25th January	**Y1 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm**
1st February	**Y2 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm**
2nd February	**Interim reports**
6th February	**Parents Evening, 3.3-5.30pm**
7th February	**Parents Evening, 3.30-6.30pm**
8th February	End of Term 3
19th February	Start of Term 4
20th February	**Y4 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm**
27th February	English Open Morning 9.15 - 10.30am*
29th March	End of Term 4
16th April	Start of Term 5
19th April	Reception start swimming lessons
20th April	Y5 start swimming lessons
22nd May	**Y5 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm**
12th June	**Y6 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm**

**for our current parents*

Whilst we welcome siblings into school to watch assemblies and other performances we will also provide a crèche facility and would like to encourage parents and carers to use this. Younger children are very welcome to attend performances and assemblies however we appreciate that sometimes it is difficult to occupy them whilst watching the children. If you choose not to use the crèche facility and your younger child/ren are causing a disruption you will be kindly asked to leave the performance. Thank you.

Calton Primary School Open Days
(for current parents)

We would like to invite our current parents to attend the following:

Maths Open Morning
Thursday 12th October 9.15 - 10.30am
Arts Week mini exhibition
Friday 17th November 3.30 - 4.15pm
English Week Open Morning
Tuesday 27th February 9.15 - 10.30am
Please go to Garnet Hall on arrival

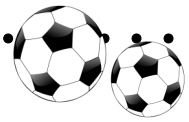
Check out Calton Primary School Open Days, we hope to see you!

Calton Primary School warmly invite prospective parents (Sept 2018 intake) to attend the following:

Open Morning
Tuesday 14th November 9.30 - 10.30am
Open Afternoon
Wednesday 15th November 2 - 3pm

We look forward to meeting you in November

Activities

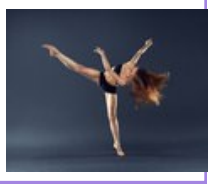


Girls Football

The girls' football team played their first match of the season this week against Finlay Primary School. It was the first time the girls had played together as a team and they all played fantastically and showed brilliant sportsmanship. It was a very tight game and the final score was 3-3 with brilliant goals from Sienna and Emma. A big well done to Mia who was voted our players' player of the match!
Miss Webb

The Company Dance Classes
Contemporary, commercial and flexibility classes
Children aged 7+ and adults of all ages

The Company was established in September 2013 and is managed by it's Director, Faye Phillips. For more information tel 07833 231601
Email info@thecompanydance.co.uk
Twitter @TDCAcademy



Drum lessons at Calton Primary

Mr Phil Guest is our drum tutor. He visits Calton each week and currently has some spaces to teach pupils in Years 2-6.

If your child is interested in learning to play the drums, please contact the school office for more details.



Parents Evenings

Tuesday 17th October
3.30-5.30pm
Wednesday 18th October
3.30-6.30pm

Remember to book your Parents Evening slot on eSchools.
Log in from the home page of the school website
www.caltonprimary.co.uk

Please ask at the school office if you need help with this.

Headlice

Please check your child's hair regularly for these unwelcome visitors. If you find any, we recommend using conditioner and combing through until clear.

£ £ Important Notice - Old Pound Coins £ £

The old pound coin ceases to be legal tender as of 15th October. Therefore, we will no longer be accepting these in school after Friday 6th October as we need time to process and bank the old pound coins.

Head bump update

The Behaviour Safety and Welfare Committee met on Monday 25th September and discussed head bumps and head bump notifications.
It was agreed at this meeting that a generic text to be sent to parents within one hour of a head incident occurring, followed by a slip being sent home at the end of the day.
Please note these are for injuries which are classed as minor or not leaving a mark e.g. children bumping heads. Of course if it is a serious head bump then you will be notified immediately.
Please can we ask that you check book bags particularly if you do not pick your child up at the end of the day.

Pupil Questionnaire

The pupil questionnaire analysis has now been completed and can be found on our school website (www.caltonprimary.co.uk). Our children are our best critiques! We have discussed the results and are taking action to address the issues that have been raised: clubs, homework, aspects of behaviour.

We hope already that you are seeing an improvement with clubs.

Admission to Infant/Primary school Sept 2018- important information from Shire Hall

If your child is due to start school in September 2018, Shire Hall will be posting out paperwork by mid-November 2017.
If you have not received a pack by December, please contact Co-ordinated Admissions at Shire Hall on 01452 425407 or email school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Calton Primary School is now on Twitter.
Follow us **@caltonprimary** to keep up to date on news and events at the school.