# PARNWELL NEWS

## Message from the Head teacher:

We've had a lovely week at school. On Tuesday the Peterborough Phantom ice hockey team came in to speak to all the children in assembly. Each child took home a voucher which allows a child to go to an ice hockey game for free. Today, all the Year 5 children went for their first swimming lesson at Jack Hunt swimming pool. They all did very well, and had a great time. I look forward to seeing how their swimming improves over the weeks. It has also been great to see all the children supporting Genetic Disorders UK by wearing their jeans to school. We will give you an update on the amount we raised in next week's newsletter.

We are delighted that next week 'Whole School Theatre Production' will be visiting the school to perform Treasure Island to all year groups. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to engage with a much loved book by author Robert Louis Stevenson.

Finally, I would like to kindly ask parent/carers if you could leave the school grounds by 09:00 when dropping off your children in the morning. For the safeguarding of the children, the school gates need to be locked by 09:00.

#### **Dinner menu:**

On Monday 16 September we start week 4 of our new school dinner menu. You can view the menu on our <u>website</u> or ask for a copy at the school office.

## **Reception Family Tree:**

The children in reception will be learning all about families next week and will be working on their own family tree. Can you please send your child to school next week with photographs of them and their family.

## **Attendance Congratulations**

Classes with 96% and above:

RBH, RJS, 3CH and 5AA

## **Celebrating Punctuality**

Lowest number of late marks

KS1 - 1DG

**KS2 - 5AA** 

#### **Upcoming events:**

24 Sept Treasure Island24 Sept School Choir

25 Sept Year 3 and 4 netball trials
 26 Sept Year 5 and 6 netball trials
 27 Sept Macmillan Coffee morning

27 Sept Year 5 Swimming
2 Oct School Nurse Clinic
11 Oct School photographs
15 Oct Flu vaccinations
16 Oct Parent Consultations

**18 Oct** Wear it Pink for Breast Cancer

**12/13 Nov** Vivacity Library Bus

#### Attendance:

Some of our classes are doing very well with attendance this week and 3CH had an impressive 100% attendance, closely followed by RBH with 99.1%, 5AA with 98.1% and RJS with 97.9%. A very big well done to all the children in those classes. Please set your alarm clocks and make sure you are at school on time for 08:50. This week there were 56 children late to school which accumulated to 13 hours of lost learning time!

## MacMillan coffee morning:

On 27 September, the staff at Lime Academy Parnwell will be hosting a MacMillan coffee morning at 09:15 in the dance studio. Drinks and edible treats will be available and all donations will be given to Macmillan Cancer.



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#### Aldi:

Don't forget we are collecting the Aldi Team GB stickers. Every time you shop in Aldi and spend more than £30, they will give you a Team GB sticker. Please encourage all your family and friends to collect stickers for the school and let's try to win that big cash prize!

#### Food Bank:

As part of Harvest Festival, the school will be collecting food donations which we will give to the local food bank. If you are able too, we kindly ask for the following food donations to be brought into the classroom before 30 September: jars of pasta sauce; long life fruit juice or milk; tinned meat or fish; tinned tomatoes; biscuits and sweet treats; tinned fruit, and tea bags.

### **Parent Questionnaire:**

A very big thank you to all those 135 parents/carers who have returned the school questionnaire. Results show that:

88.2% of parents/carers strongly agree or agree that their child is making good progress, 89.4% strongly agree or agree their child is taught well at school, 80.6% strongly agree or agree the school meets their child's particular needs and 90.3% strongly agree or agree the school helps their child to develop skills in communication, reading, writing and maths. We are delighted to see such a positive response regarding the education children receive at Parnwell.

If you have not yet done so, please complete the questionnaire on ParentMail.

## **Collecting children from school:**

Your child has to be collected from school every day by an adult who is 18 years or older. We are keen for you to build a relationship with your child's class teacher, so if possible it would be ideal if a parent can collect.

#### **Netball:**

On Wednesday 25 (Years 3 and 4) and Thursday 26 September (Years 5 and 6) from 15:15-16:15 there will be trials for the Parnwell Netball team. If your child would like a chance to be in the team, then please fill in the permission slip on ParentMail. There is a maximum of 14 spaces per team and those children selected for the team will be informed on Friday 27 September. Training sessions will then take place every Wednesday (Year 3 and 4) and Thursday (Year 5 and 6) from 15:15-16:15. Children are to wear their PE kit and sports trainers. Children will need to be picked up from the main office at 16:15.

