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# SEELY PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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## **School Punctuality:**

In the early morning weather and traffic (and children) can be unpredictable – getting to school on time is sometimes a challenge for these or other reasons. If you sometimes arrives a minute or two late, do set your sights high and look for ways to eliminate this (tweak the morning routine, aim to leave home five minutes earlier, or whatever will help recover those valuable lost minutes – an immediate obstacle to their day's learning - and avoid their having to come in through the Late Gate).

Now that the *Lates Race* is up and running, classes with the best punctuality will be given additional free time; after Easter, classes without any late arrivals during a week will also be rewarded. Well done to 3H, who have achieved this four times since Christmas.

**Science Week** was a huge success. We had chemical reactions, problems solved and experiments conducted! Our theme for the week was Journeys and we all learned about a very important journey that took place 50 years ago: the Apollo 11 Moon Landing! Key Stage One welcomed parents and carers in to have a go at some exciting experiments, so thank-you to everyone who was able to attend. The children were delighted to share their learning with so many of you. In addition to this, many children from Key Stage Two brought home elements of their experiments, so we hope they sparked some interesting conversations.

**Generous Donation** We would like to say a huge "THANK YOU" to the family that donated a significant amount of money to school. We have purchased the all-weather tables located near the bike shed in the KS2 yard. This was so generous and the children will be able to have their packed lunches outdoors.

**School Meal Information:** The city council have informed us that from 1st April 2019 the price of a school meal will be increasing.

The meals price will increase from £2.05 to **£2.15** for primary school children (Years 3-6). Nursery meals will increase to **£2.00**.

*(Children in Reception to Year 2 will still receive Universal Infant Free School Meals)*

## DIARY DATES

**5L Class Assembly reminder:** This will be taking place on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

**Key Stage 1 Food Sale:** As part of Enabling Enterprise week Year 1 and 2 will be running a food sale on Thursday 4th April at 3.30pm in the Key Stage 1 Hall to raise money for a chosen charity. You will be able to collect your children as normal and then attend the sale. More details will follow closer to the event.

## HELP REQUIRED

**Glass Jars Wanted:** Year 2 are collecting spare glass jars to grow sunflowers. Any donations would be greatly appreciated!

We are also collecting jars for all classes to decorate ready for the summer fayre, for the Nottinghamshire Hospice to sell as tea light holders / sweetie jars etc here at the summer fayre (with ALL proceeds going to the hospice). We have some lovely art materials to use for this project so please dig out any nice jars you have spare and bring them into your class teachers.

**Materials Wanted:** Year 3 and 4 are investigating bridges. Please send in newspaper, cardboard, art straws, string and any other materials that you think may be useful for constructing our own bridges! *Many thanks from the Year 3/4 Team.*

**EASTER ACTIVITIES:**

Easter Bonnets for KS1, FOUNDATION and NURSERY and for KS2, Egg Decorating with a 'BOOK CHARACTERS' to encourage our love of reading.

- There will be a Family Easter workshop on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April from 3.30 – 5.00pm. You can either make Easter Bonnets or decorate eggs at home or come to the workshop.
- The Easter Bonnet Parades will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April in the KS1 Playground at 3.00pm – all parents and carers welcome. We will also display the KS2 Decorated Eggs in the playground.
- For morning nursery, the parade will be on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at the end of the morning session.
- For KS2 the decorated eggs entries must be in school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

*There will be a prize for the winner of each class.*



**PARENTS EVENINGS: 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March**

On both evenings Rukhsana from Futures Family Training will be available to speak to parents/carers. Lynne, Community Health Worker will be available on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>. Both women will be here from 3.30pm. We are also hoping to have the pre-loved uniform shop open for purchases too.



**SHERWOOD ROTARY CLUB SWIMATHON 2019: Saturday March 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

The final total raised is £616.97 plus a donation of £100 from the Chair of the Rotary Club!! Thank you to all who participated and donated.

**FAMILY LEARNING: All at School and FREE!!**

Following on from last weeks 'Staying Safe Online' course we now have..... Cyber Heroes – Starting Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1 – 3.30pm – this is a 4 week course for parents and children. Children will join their parents for the last part of the session. This course will cover:- What skills are needed to be a cyber hero, building children's confidence and self esteem on and off line, what is online bullying and how to protect yourself and finally which sounds really exciting – make, edit and share a Cyber Hero video by making a short film and/or digital cartoons. If you are interested in any of the courses please email [lorraine.boddy@seely.nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:lorraine.boddy@seely.nottingham.sch.uk) or ring me on 07566733409.

**SILLY SOCK DAY, Friday 5th April: Raising Autism Awareness:**

We are inviting all children and adults to wear Silly Socks on this day as part of the East Midlands Autism Awareness Raising initiative. We would love you to take part!

**SPECIAL PERSON DAY: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May:**

For those of you who don't know, this is a day all children get the chance to bring in £1 to buy an item to give to someone special in their lives. This could be a mummy, grandad, sister, step dad, foster carer, nan to name just a few. It is a great way for children to say thank you to someone that makes them feel special. We are looking for donated items such as toiletries, jewellery, candles, small toys and particularly men's gifts. If you can help please leave items at the school office. Thanks very much in anticipation.

**HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!**

**SCHOOL CALENDAR 2019**

**EASTER HOLIDAY**

Monday 8th April to  
Monday 22nd April

**MAY DAY**

Monday 6th May

**SUMMER HALF TERM**

Monday 27th to  
Friday 31st May

**INSET DAY**

Monday 3rd June

**SEELY SUMMER FAIR**

Thurs 4th July (3.30pm)

**SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

Monday 29th July to  
Thursday 29th August

**INSET DAY**

Friday 30th August &  
Monday 2nd Sept

**(SCHOOL OPENS on Tues  
3rd Sept 19)**

**AUTUMN HALF TERM**

Monday 21st Oct to  
Friday 1st November

**INSET DAY**

Monday 4th November

**CHRISTMAS HOLS 2019**

Monday 23rd Dec to  
Friday 3rd January 2020