

Don't forget
parents'
evening!
2nd & 9th March



Newsletter

3rd February 2017

Growing Together to Flourish in God's World

Time to Talk



In our assemblies each week we discuss and take time to think about different topics. These link with our Christian values. This week we talked about:

To attain our aspirations we must not be deterred by the obstacles that may appear.

Talk: Are there ever any warnings about obstacles that could get in the way of us achieving our goals? What are the consequences of not listening to the warning?

Weekly attendance

The whole school attendance for WE 03/02/17 was 97.23%. This means that this week's attendance was below our target of 96.5%. Please keep aiming high everyone!

Thank you for your continued support.

This week the attendance league table is as follows:

1st – Mrs Ali's class (Orange) with 99%

2nd – Mr Bennett's and Mrs Hayman's class (Lime) with 98.73%

3rd – Mr Gooding's class (Green) with 98.67%

Each school day is 6 hrs. This week 16.55 hours of education were missed due to

routine medical appointments, 9.5 hrs to specialist appointments (hospital etc) and 17.17 hours due to lateness. Please ensure all *routine* opticians and dental appointments are made outside of school hours or in the school holidays and that your child attends school on time every day. We need your help to continue to reduce these figures. Thank you.



Parents' Evening

This term we will be holding our main Parents' Evening over two nights: 2nd March and 9th March. Hopefully this will offer more flexibility for you. We will also be using a new booking system via Parentmail. More details will follow on how to do this. Traditional methods can still be used if you prefer with the option of booking appointments directly with classteachers or through the school office. Please save the dates!

Exciting Building News

We have been successful in obtaining a grant from Awards from All (Lottery Funding). This grant will be used in addition to funds raised by our wonderful PTA to improve our Junior playground. As you may have seen, the football cage at the entrance to the Junior playground has now been removed. Works are being carried out to provide a quiet area to give our children a place to socialise with their friends away from the busier areas of the playground. The works to this area will be carried out in stages and may take some time to complete.

We have also received funding from Manchester Diocese to carry out vital maintenance work to our roof.

The works will be carried out during term time and all the necessary health and safety arrangements have been made with our contractors. The work should be completed after half term and it will keep our children even safer and the building water tight.

Please ensure that your children are fully supervised before and after school in the playground. Thank you.



New arrival

Congratulations!

We are pleased to announce the safe arrival of Mr and Mrs Squibbs' baby boy, Reggie.

Mobile Phones

We are seeing an increase in children bringing their mobile phones and tablets into school. We cannot take responsibility for the loss or damage of any personal belongings brought into school. Children are not permitted to use their mobile phones during the day. If children are found to be using their mobile phone or are found to have their mobile on them during the school day the mobile phone will be confiscated and returned to them after one week. Mobile phones only should not be brought into school unless children are walking home without an adult. Only Year 6 children should be walking home on their own and parents should notify the school that this will be happening. Mobile phones should be brought to the office and collected at the end of the school day.

Fundraising for the NSPCC

The generosity of the St Anne's community never ceases to amaze us!!! We raised a massive £755.87 for the NSPCC and the children enjoyed taking part in the Maths challenge. Thank you and well done to everyone.

We're supporting

NSPCC

From 1st April 2017 we will be going to a cashless school.



This means that we will no longer be taking cash payments or cheque payments through the school office. All payments for dinner money, school disco, Secret Santa/Mother's day/Father's Day, donations for school trips/pantomimes etc will need to be paid for through Parentmail or at a Paypoint store. This will be possible when Parentmail can generate a barcode to pay at a Paypoint.

To see how easy it is to pay using Parentmail please visit <https://www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/payments/online-payments/>

To find the nearest Paypoint store for your convenience please visit <https://www.paypoint.com/en-gb/consumers/store-locator>

If you are not currently registered for Parentmail and need registration details, or if you need another family member to register (i.e. Spouse/Grandparents etc) or have any questions then please do not hesitate to contact the school office who will be happy to help.

As we go through this transition there is the possibility of using traditional methods until the cashless system becomes established.



Attention all parents!



Have you registered?

It's an easy, convenient way to receive school messages.

You can:

- ✓ Receive messages on your computer, tablet or mobile
- ✓ See all your messages in one handy, uncluttered feed
- ✓ Link to other schools or clubs that also use ParentMail
- ✓ Keep up to date with your school calendar
- ✓ Authorise trips or permissions online



Registering is really easy...

Ask your school office to send you a registration message



Attention all parents!

Download the ParentMail App for the best way to pick up school messages

**FREE
DOWNLOAD**

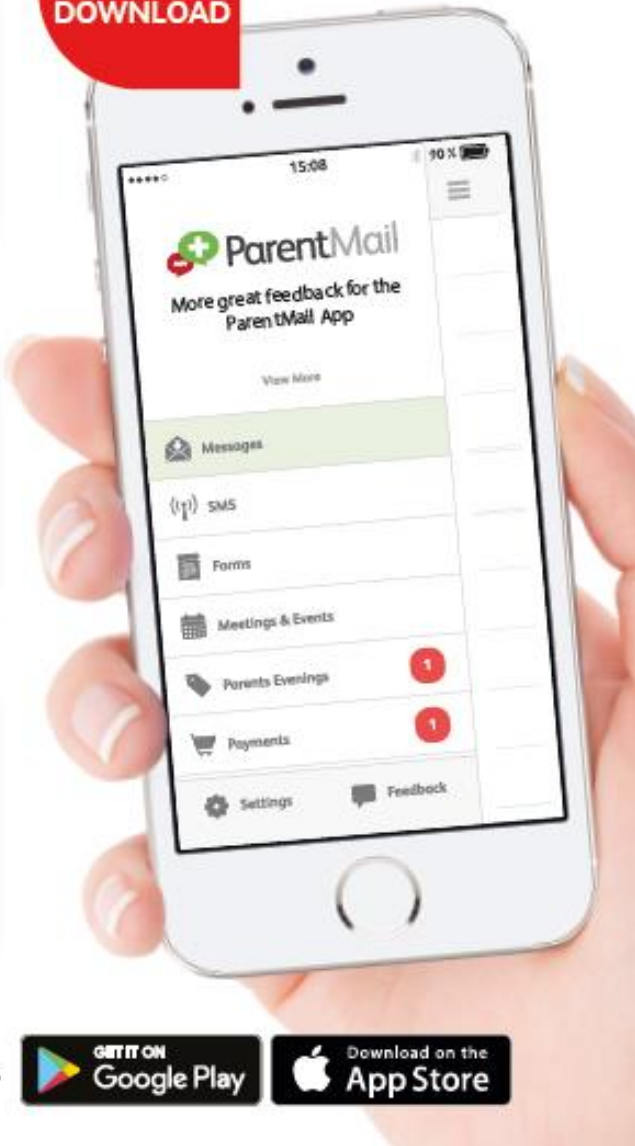
"Nice simple little App but such a great, effective way of accessing important school information"



"Great communications tool - makes life a bit more organised"



"Brilliant! I don't have to go back to all my emails to check up what's going on at my children's school, 10 out of 10"



Search "ParentMail" in your App store...



Please note: If you are not already registered, you will need to register online on the ParentMail website before trying to access the App. Please ask the school office to send you a registration message



Become a school governor

We have more than 1,100 school governors volunteering across Oldham making a positive difference to the lives of our children, young people and their families.

Visit www.oldham.gov.uk/schoolgovernors to join them and become a school governor?

World Thinking Day

On Wednesday 22nd February it is **World Thinking Day**. Celebrated since 1926, World Thinking Day is a day of international friendship, speaking out on issues that affect girls and young women, and fundraising for 10 million Girl Guides and Girl Scouts around the world.

On the day members of all uniformed organisations (Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Scouts etc) can wear their uniform to school instead of their usual school one.

In 2017, World Thinking Day is all about growth. We believe that every girl around the world should have the chance to grow, learn and reach her potential.



More information can be found at the Girl Guiding website: <https://www.waggs.org/en/what-we-do/world-thinking-day/>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event	Class	Time	Date/Days
Class Assembly: Lime	Mrs Hayman/Mr Bennett	09:15	08/02/2017
Half Term:	All		Monday 13th – Friday 17th February 2017 (inclusive)
PTA Sponsored Pancake Toss	All		28/02/2017
Class Assembly: Orange	Mrs Ali	09:15	01/03/2017
PTA Meeting 6.30pm Mother's Room	All Welcome		07/03/2017
Class Assembly: Blue	Mrs Snape	09:15	08/03/2017
Class Assembly: Green	Mr Gooding	09:15	15/03/2017
PTA Secret Mothers' Day Gift	AM in school		21/03/2017
Class Assembly: Yellow	Mrs Evans	09:15	22/03/2017
Robinwood Residential Trip	Confirmed places		22/03/2017-24/03/17
Class Photo - Photographer in school	All		04/04/2017
Holy Week Service in church	All welcome		07/04/2017
Spring Term Ends:			Friday 7th April 2017
Summer Term Begins:	All		18/04/2017
Bags 2 School collection TBC			21/04/2017
May Day Bank Holiday: School closed	All		01/05/2017
PTA Meeting 6.30pm Mother's Room	All Welcome		02/05/2017
Election Day: School closed	All		04/05/2017
PTA Disco TBC		15:15	19/05/2017

The above dates and times and events may on occasion need to be amended. It is regrettable and we will aim to give you as much notice as possible in the event of any change.

Please check that ALL personal items including school uniform brought into school have your child's name in them. We are only able to reunite items with their owner if they are named. Thank you.