

# Newsletter February 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

What another busy term we have had!

Despite everyone wanting the snow to fall, we have been open every day!

We have had some very special moments this term, the celebration assemblies have been brilliant, the work is of a very high standard, varied and certainly something to be celebrated. I hope that you will be able to attend the Parent Consultation meetings in March (see separate letter) and see the work for yourself.

Our Parent Drop-in, Science and Technology Workshops held in January went well and a good time was had by those parents who came along...so did the children. Two groups went off site – The Abbeyfield Satellite to The Oxford Museum and Key Stage 3 to the Science Museum as part of Science and Technology week.



This week we saw a group of pupils taking part in the Pentathlon Challenge – they came third, have been given lovely medals and we are proud of their achievements. Well done.

Today, as I am writing this, one of our groups have been transported back to The 70's as part of their theme day. The fashion is something to be seen – platform soles and flares have appeared as part of the school uniform!

For our February Parent Drop-in Day we held some Parent Safer Internet sessions which coincided with Safer Internet Day on the 10<sup>th</sup> February. For those of you who were not able to attend then please take a look at the website [www.saferinternetday.org](http://www.saferinternetday.org) – it has useful information on it. We also undertook a pupil questionnaire about e safety and staff had a training session. One of the issues that have been raised is about the types of games pupils are playing, many have an 18 certificate – so please can you all check at home, to help your children keep “Internet and on line safe” – if a game has an 18 certificate it is for a reason, so make sure they are not using them. If you need help with parental blocking systems on line, please get in touch.



Next term is short, but action packed – please make a note of our events (overleaf) and I hope many of you can attend.

For those of you who are sending your children on the Playscheme next week during half – term please drop your child off at Primary 1, as we have the roofers on site.

I hope you have an enjoyable break and I look forward to seeing the children when they return on Monday 23rd February 2015.

C M Grant, Headteacher



Some useful information to help you to help us.....

**Attendance – what to do if your child is absent.** Please notify the School Office, as soon as possible, if your child is absent for any reason. This can also be done by choosing ‘Option 1’ having dialled the school telephone number - 01604 773910.

**Change of Phone Numbers** - please notify the school office of any change of telephone number as soon as possible. We rely on our text messaging service to give you up to date information - particularly if the weather is bad.

Hopefully we won't have any more snow but here is a reminder if we do.....

**What to do if it snows... (or we need to close the School for any other reason).**

- ⌘ If the school is closed - we will send you a text via our texting service.
- ⌘ Listen to the local radio - announcements are made.
- ⌘ Check the Northamptonshire County Council website [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk)
- ⌘ We will update our ‘School

**School Uniform** can be obtained direct from Billing Brook where we hold a small amount of stock - please obtain an order form from the School Office.

*Dates for next term*

February	23 <sup>rd</sup> 2015	School Opens to Pupils
March	2 <sup>nd</sup> 2015	Parent Drop-in Day
March	11 <sup>th</sup> 2015	Time to Talk 10am – 11am
March	13 <sup>th</sup> 2015	Red Nose Day
March	23 <sup>rd</sup> 2015	} Parent } Consultation
March	26 <sup>th</sup> 2015	
March	27 <sup>th</sup> 2015	Easter Celebration
March	27 <sup>th</sup> 2015	School Closes at 3pm for School Holiday
March	30 <sup>th</sup> 2015	} Playscheme
March	31 <sup>st</sup> 2015	

