



Sharmans Cross Junior School

Striving for Excellence

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Dates for your diary:

18 - Anti-Bullying Week
(Cyberbullying)

18 - Y5 Performance

19 - Y5 Performance

22 - School Bank

27 - Hannukah

28 - Parents' Evening

December

4 - Advent

6 - Coffee Morning

6 - School Bank

6 - Christmas Fair

18 - Parties

23 - Christmas Break

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January

6 - INSET - Playing for
the Badge

7 - Return to school

10 - Coffee Morning

10 - Curriculum Overviews
out

10 - Targets negotiated /
shared / displayed

13 - School Bank

20 - School Bank

22 - Milad Un Nabi

29 - Chinese New Year

30 - Parents' Forum

February

7 - Coffee Morning

10 - Maths Enrichment
Week

11 - Safer Internet Day

13 - Disco

17 - Half Term

March

5 - Ash Wednesday

7 - Coffee Morning

11 - Y5 York

12 - Holi

19 - Purim

27 - Parents' Evening

31 - Y5 Bikeability Training

(31st March - 4th April)

Picture the scene. A school hall. Tables of activities. Children chatting excitedly with parents about times tables. Moms and dads patiently cutting and sticking shapes onto times tables freezes. Teachers interacting, developing ideas and admiring the work. Sounds good, doesn't it?

Well that's exactly the scene that has been going on in school this week. Y3 staff, children and parents engaged in maths workshops to support the children's number development. Particularly pleasing was the number of dad's able to join us and their children in these workshops. So far, the feedback has been really positive, as was the feedback from last week's similarly well attended Y6 reading and writing workshops.

But why do them? Well, first and foremost, they're fun! And fun leads to deep and meaningful learning. Children see their parents getting involved in school, see it's perceived value and the positive relationships being formed with teachers. It is also known that where this positive relationship exists, problems and concerns can be quickly and effectively resolved. Research also shows that achievement is higher and progress quicker.

For parents, they get to see how and what their child is learning, developing a greater understanding of it. This helps them to feel more confident as they supports their child at home. It also allows parents to feel confident about the education and support that their child is receiving at school.

This is why we have run these workshops and why we will also be holding workshops for Y4 and Y5 parents later in the year, as well as opening up our classrooms for family learning days during our termly enrichment weeks, like Cultural Awareness Week before half term.

Partnership is extremely important to us. Thank you for engaging with us!

Have a great weekend!

Mark

Morrisons Gardening Vouchers

Next week is the last week for collecting the gardening vouchers. Please check your purses and pockets and send any you may still have in to school so that we can use them to purchase items for Gardening Club. Thank you.

Lost Property

Please can we remind parents of the importance of making sure that all of your child's property/clothing is clearly named. This will hopefully avoid our lost property box getting too full and save unnecessary expense when items are lost. Thank you

Message From School Nurses

We would like to welcome your children back to school and remind parents that the school nurses are available to offer support and advice to you in relation to your child's health and well-being, along with the routine surveillance offered as set out in the Healthy Child Programme.(DOH 2009).

School nurses can be contacted via these telephone numbers

North Solihull Team - 0121 770 1919.

South Solihull/Rural Team - 0121 746 4550/0121 746 4451.

Notice from the PTA

80's Family Disco Tonight

7.30 pm - 11 pm (in the school hall)

Tickets available on the door £2.50 per adult, children are free

Christmas Fair

Friday 6 December

6 pm - 8.30 pm

If you are able to help on the day please get in touch with the

