

# Spring Term Newsletter

Number 415 – 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023



#### Dear Parents/Carers

We have come to the end of another very busy half term here at St Margaret Clitherow School. We are all looking forward to a well-earned rest next week.

#### Lincolnsfield

The children in Year 5 have just returned from a very successful residential trip to Lincolnsfield Education Centre. The children left on Monday and returned on Wednesday afternoon. The children had a fantastic experience and were fantastic throughout. They learnt so much about what life was like as a wartime evacuee. Many thanks to the adults who accompanied the children with me, Mrs Baalla, Mrs Walsh and Mrs Fernandes. Without this support, this trip would not have been possible. Photos to follow on Google classroom.

#### **Edenred Vouchers February Half Term 2023**

The Government announced that the Household Support Fund grant has been extended until March 2023, however the LA is currently awaiting details regarding the Council's allocation and grant conditions. Once they have confirmation of these details we will update the parents.

For the upcoming February Half Term, the Council will be using this grant to provide supermarket vouchers for families whose children are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Each family whose children are eligible will be issued with a £15 Edenred voucher per eligible child for each week of the February Half Term. This totals £15 for the February Half Term. Please look out for the email sent to you containing the eCode and step-by step instructions on how to access the voucher.

#### Please note:

- Supermarket vouchers are valid for 3 months and cannot be reissued once expired
- Please communicate any problems redeeming your voucher to Mrs Heath

#### **Volunteers in school**

Many thanks to the parents who have volunteered to come in and hear children read. Miss Nolan will be in contact with you after half term to arrange an induction session. If there are any other parents who would like to help, please email the school (<a href="mailto:admin@clitherow.brent.sch.uk">admin@clitherow.brent.sch.uk</a>) giving your name, child's/children's names, class and contact details.

#### Bag2School

We are again collecting good quality clean used clothing and shoes for the Bag2School scheme. I you need some bags, please come to the school office. We will be accepting the bags up to Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

#### **Multi-sports Club**

We are delighted to be able to run the multisport club again. This free club will run on Monday from 3:15 to 4:15. It was such a popular club last time that we had to create a waiting list. The children on the waiting list will now be given priority for this club. Children selected will have been given letters with all the details. The club will begin on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

Should you have any queries please contact us on: <a href="mailto:admin@clitherow.brent.sch.uk">admin@clitherow.brent.sch.uk</a> iheath@clitherow.brent.sch.uk or bnolan@clitherow.brent.sch.uk











#### **World Book Day**

The annual World Book Day will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023. To celebrate this event, we are asking the children to dress up as their favourite book character on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. The theme for this year is 'You are a reader'. We do not expect parents to go out and buy costumes but would much prefer it if children used their imaginations and creativity with resources they might already have.

#### **Brent Libraries**

Brent Libraries run many events throughout the year to encourage children to read more and to help foster a love of reading in children. All of these events are free. Please see the jotter for more information.

#### **Polite Notice**

Please do not sit on the windows outside the hall. The plants underneath the windows have been damaged by people walking over them.

Have a lovely and restful half-term and we look forward to seeing you all back again on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

Mrs Heath Headteacher

#### Uniform

Please take notice that the school uniform is a white shirt and <u>not a white or yellow poloshirt</u>. We want children to take pride in their uniform as the uniform represents the school. Wearing the incorrect uniform does not represent the school in a good light.

Please also ensure that coats are black or navy and shoes are appropriate. No boots should be worn to school.

#### Cake Sale

Thank you to everyone who supported the Friends of St Margaret Clitherow cake sale today either by donating cakes or buying some of the delicious cakes on offer. £240 was raised which will go towards equipment and resources for the children.

FORTHCOMING DATES		
13-17	Half Term	
21 Feb	Shrove Tuesday	
22 Feb	Ash Wednesday	
24 Feb	Oral health parents' workshop 9.00am	
1 March	Feast of St David Y2 own clothes	
2 March	World Book Day	
10 March	Y3 going to Mass	
13 March	Open Evening	
14 March	Science club Forest School trip	
20 March	Open Evening	
21 March	Y4 trip to Wallace Collection	
28 March	Y1 & Y2 Film night	
29 March	Y3 & Y4 Film Night	
30 March	Y5 & Y6 Film Night	
31 March	Wear something Yellow £1 support for Marie Curie	
31 March	School Finishes at 1.30pm	











## Children who have been awarded certificates w/e 20/01/2023

- 1 Alicja, Joshua, Bastian, Mate
- 2 Van Jacob, Jeremiah
- 3 Ricky, Nadia
- 4 Acacia, Kimberly, Joshua
- 5 Ivy, Gabriela
- 6 Henry, Lacey-Ann

## ATTENDANCE w/e ending 03/02/2023

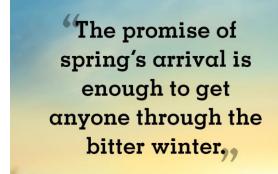
1st	Year 2	97%
2nd	Year 1 & 6	96.4%
3rd	Year 3	95%
4th	Year 4	94.9%
5th	Year 5	93.6%

Total for the week 95.6%

### **Science Club**

We have come to the end of our wonderful science club. The last session took place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. We are so lucky that we could offer such a fantastic experience to our children at no cost to parents. Thank you to Ruta and Marco for running this club for the last 12 weeks.

To celebrate the end of the club, the Science club will go on a trip to the Forest School on 14<sup>th</sup> March. Letters will go out after half term.



-Jen Selinsky

Spring's greatest joy beyond a doubt is when it brings the children out.

