

Chawson First School Newsletter 9 January 2015 www.j2e.com/chawson

'Learn with your child' Assessment and Marking Tuesday 13 January 2015 8.50am Presentation

9.15am-10.00am In your child's classroom

All parents from Reception to Year 4 are invited to a presentation to share the school's new approach to assessing children's progress and to inform you about how we mark children's work and how children are given the opportunity respond to the feedback.

After the Introduction of the new national curriculum in September where expectations for all primary aged children have been raised, it is important that we share with you how your children will be assessed against these new standards.

We are very confident and proud of our in school assessment system, which has been praised by the Local Authority. We are looking forward to sharing it with you. Our children, we know, will enjoy showing you their work and explaining the marking symbols and how they have improved their work as a result.

If you are unable to join us for the morning you will be able to see the presentation on **Thursday 22 January at 6.00pm before the Parents' Forum at 6.30pm**.

Lateness

In the last half term, over a seven week period 24% of our children were late at least once, this does not include children who had medical appointments. Lateness causes lessons to be disturbed, not only for the child who is late but it also interrupts the class they are joining. Please can we all work hard to improve this for our children.

Reminder

Closing date for applications to **First and Middle Schools** which needs to be done online is Thursday 15 January.

> Year 3 Homework Showcase Monday 12 January 2.45pm

The following Year 1 and 2 children have been recognised for their consideration to the lunchtime staff: Annabelle B, George C, Jack H, Daisy M, Ava C-B and Callum C. Shire Services Next week it will be Week 2 On Your New Menus See Special Menu Thursday 15 January

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Swimming Year 4

Class 4H will be swimming from Monday 12 January. Please ensure that letters are returned and children bring in their swimming kits on Monday.

> **Year 4** Homework Showcase Thursday 15 January 2.45pm

Chicken-Pox

We have had a number of reported cases of Chicken-Pox, whilst these have mainly been in Reception and Year 1, we would like to make parents aware.

Droitwich High School Age Range Consultation

Letters have been sent out this week regarding their proposal to alter the admission arrangements so that pupils join the High School in Year 7. This would have big implications for all schools and families in the Droitwich Area. The High School will be holding a meeting for parents with children currently at First Schools on Wednesday 21 January at 6pm. It is important that all views are considered, if you are able to attend, please do so or if you would like me to say anything on you behalf, please do not hesitate to contact me. Helen Wallace

Special Menu Best of British Thursday 15 January

Sausage Breaded Fish Cheese & Potato Pie Mashed Potato Chips Baked Beans Peas

Apple Crumble and Custard Fruit Jelly The Lollipop Man on Old Coach Road would like to thank all the children and parents for all the lovely Xmas cards and gifts.

Eco Club

Eco club will be starting again on Wednesday- Eco club members will have a note of dates for this half term.

Wanted

Year 4 would like small junk boxes for space buggies.

Dental Letters have been sent out regarding the National Dental Survey for five year olds. If you have received a form, please return the consent form to school as soon as possible as the dentist will be coming in to school on Wednesday 21 January. CFSA



Happy New Year from everyone at the CFSA, we hope you had a fantastic holiday and Father Christmas remembered you all!

Our next meeting is Tuesday 27 January 2015 at 6.30pm. We would love to see some new and old faces there! For details of our up and coming events please check out our Facebook page.

Malvern Trip

Children in Year 4 should have brought home a letter regarding the annual residential trip to Malvern. If your child would like to attend, please send a cheque into school for £60.00 payable to 'Worcestershire County Council' by Monday 2 February.