

# **Calton Primary School**

Newsletter

29th September 2017

# 'Confident People Shining at School'

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Message from Head Teacher

This week in assembly I brought in something which is very special for me (ask your child if they are in Year 1 -6 what it was!).

I continued my focus on how important it is for us all to get enough sleep so that we can enjoy our hours when we are awake. Children across the school were able to identify the reasons we need sleep - to rest, to give us energy and to help our bodies get better (including when we are poorly) and to get us ready for and remember our learning.

I reminded the children how much sleep they are recommended to have broadly based on their ages. In Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 it is around 11 - 12 hours per night whilst in Years

3 - 6 there is a recommendation of between 10 - 11 hours at least.

During the week it has been a pleasure to have children telling me how much sleep they have had and the routines they have before bed. The message is very clear sleep is important (and for grown ups too!).

Sarah Bunce

### LOOK ... NEW for Calton parents...

**Drop in morning for parents**. Every Thursday in Onyx, 8.45-9.30.

Tea and coffee available. Members of the pastoral team will be available to talk, give advice or just get to know you.

**Positive Parent Course "Time Out For Parents"** starting Oct 17th, 9-11am. Letters have been sent home, please return the slip to Mrs Smithson.

**External Parenting Course** at The Lighthouse Children's Centre, Gloucester **Triple P Parenting Course 0-12 years**. This is an 8 week course running in the Gloucester area. Contact Kash Allen or Samantha Riley 01452 530312 or 07808 737240 Email kash.allen@barnados.org.uk or samantha.riley@barnardos.org.uk for details.

### **Class Attendance Figures**

☆ Mrs Short, School Attendance Officer, would like to say WELL DONE and keep up
☆ the great attendance to each of the following classes:

Week 18.09.17 - 22.09.17

Ruby Class, Year 3 and Blue Class, Reception for achieving 100% attendance

Week 25.09.17 - 29.09.17

Copper Class, Year 5 for achieving 99.3% and Ruby Class, Year 3 for achieving 98.% attendance



### **Reporting Pupil Absences**

If your child will be absent from school due to illness, please telephone the school Office, before 9am, stating child's name, class and the nature of the illness.

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### **Medical Appointments**

We understand that hospital appointments need to be attended at times offered, however, we ask that Doctor and Dental appointments are made out of school hours.



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### Dates for your diaries

10th October Y6 residential meeting, 6pm, Gems Hall

11th October Y1 visit Beechenhurst

12th Ocotber Maths Open Morning 9.15 - 10.30am\*

13th October Interim reports

17th October Parents Evening, 3.30-5.30pm
18th October Parents Evening, 3.30-6.30pm

20th October End of Term 1 30th October Start of Term 2

31st October Deadline to apply for Secondary School places

30th Oct-3rd Nov
10th November
17th November

23rd November Y1 Cinema visit

24th November Fireworks at Calton, 6-8pm

1st DecemberSchool disco13th DecemberChristmas lunch19th DecemberEnd of Term 23rd January 2018Start of Term 3

11th January
12th January
12th January
22nd January
25th January
1st February
Y1 start swimming lessons
Y3 start swimming lessons
Y3 stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm
Y1 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm
Y2 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm

2nd February Interim reports

6th February Parents Evening, 3.3-5.30pm 7th February Parents Evening, 3.30-6.30pm

8th February End of Term 3
19th February Start of Term 4

20th February Y4 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm

27th February English Open Morning 9.15 - 10.30am\*

29th March End of Term 4 16th April Start of Term 5

19th April Reception start swimming lessons

20th April Y5 start swimming lessons
22nd May Y5 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm
12th June Y6 Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm

\*for our current parents

Whilst we welcome siblings into school to watch assemblies and other performances we will also provide a crèche facility and would like to encourage parents and carers to use this. Younger children are very welcome to attend performances and assemblies however we appreciate that sometimes it is difficult to occupy them whilst watching the children. If you choose not to use the crèche facility and your younger child/ren are causing a disruption you will be kindly asked to leave the performance. Thank you.

# Calton Primary School Open Days

(for current parents)

We would like to invite our current parents to attend the following:

### **Maths Open Morning**

Thursday 12th October 9.15 - 10.30am

### Arts Week mini exhibition

Friday 17th November 3.30 - 4.15pm

### **English Week Open Morning**

Tuesday 27th February 9.15 - 10.30am Please go to Garnet Hall on arrival



Calton Primary School warmly invite prospective parents (Sept 2018 intake) to attend the following:

### **Open Morning**

Tuesday 14th November 9.30 - 10.30am

### Open Afternoon

Wednesday 15th November 2 - 3pm

We look forward to meeting you in November

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### Girls Football

The airls' football team played their first match of the season this

- week against Finlay Primary School. It was the first time the girls had played
- together as a team and they all played fantastically and showed brilliant
- sportsmanship. It was a very tight game and the final score was 3-3 with
- brilliant goals from Sienna and Emma. A big well done to Mia who was voted
- our players' player of the match!
- Miss Webb

### **The Company** Dance Classes

Contemporary, commercial and flexibility classes Children aged 7+ and adults of all ages

The Company was established in September 2013 and is managed by it's Director, Faye Phillips. For more information tel 07833 231601 Email info@thecompanydance.co.uk Twitter @TDCAcademy

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**Drum lessons at Calton Primary** 

Mr Phil Guest is our drum tutor. He visits Calton each week and currently has some spaces to teach pupils in Years 2-6.

If your child is interested in learning to play the drums, please contact the school office for more details.



# **Parents Evenings**

Tuesday 17th October 3.30-5.30pm Wednesday 18th October 3.30-6.30pm

Remember to book your Parents Evening slot on eSchools.

Log in from the home page of the school website

www.caltonprimary.co.uk

Please ask at the school office if you need help with this.

### Headlice

Please check your child's hair regularly for these unwelcome visitors. If you find any, we recommend using conditioner and combing through until clear.

### £ £ Important Notice - Old Pound Coins £ £

The old pound coin ceases to be legal tender as of 15th October. Therefore, we will no longer be accepting these in school after Friday 6th October as we need time to process and bank the old pound coins.

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### Head bump update

The Behaviour Safety and Welfare Committee met on Monday 25th September and discussed head bumps and head bump notifications. It was agreed at this meeting that a generic text to be sent to parents within one hour of a head incident occurring, followed by a slip being sent home at the end of the day.

Please note these are for injuries which are classed as minor or not leaving a mark e.g. children bumping heads. Of course if it is a serious head bump then you will be notified immediately.

Please can we ask that you check book bags particularly if you do not pick your child up at the end of the day.

# Pupil Questionnaire The pupil questionnaire analysis has now been completed and can be found on our school website (www.caltonprimary.co.uk). Our children are our best critiques! We have discussed the results and are taking action to address the issues that have been raised: clubs, homework, aspects of behaviour. We hope already that you are seeing an improvement with clubs.

### Admission to Infant/Primary school Sept 2018- important information from Shire Hall

If your child is due to start school in September 2018, Shire Hall will be posting out paperwork by mid-November 2017.

If you have not received a pack by December, please contact Co-ordinated Admissions at Shire Hall on 01452 425407 or email school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Calton Primary School is now on Twitter.

Follow us **@caltonprimary** to keep up to date on news and events at the school.

