



CHILMARK AND FONTHILL BISHOP

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mr Adam Smith

6th January 2017

Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had a magical Christmas and are ready for a brilliant new term. The Assembly Theme for the first week back is 'new beginnings'. I have reminded the pupils of the brilliance of starting a New Year with the chance to give yourself a push towards bigger and better expectations. In assembly we discussed that to achieve our best we need the help of others and would need to ask for help to achieve our New Year's resolutions.

With this in mind please read the reminders about traffic, contact details and clubs.

Yours,

Mr Smith

Traffic/Parking

Please can we continue to be careful when driving and parking. If you drive to school please follow the **unofficial one way system**, which is:

- Approach the school from the church end of the village.
- Park by the wall on the school side of the street.
- Leave across the bridge opposite the school.
- Avoid parking on the pavement in Frog Lane as it forces pedestrians on to the road.
- If possible park at the Church and playing field and walk to school.
- Please leave the space outside the school gate open for the school Taxi.

We are aware that parking is difficult and is not ideal; however we wish to be good neighbours and the unofficial one way system helps to avoid upset. Many thanks for your continued support in this matter.

Important reminders

Emergency Contact Numbers

It is very important that we have up to date contact details for every child, in the event of an emergency. Please can you contact the office if your details have changed from those you gave in September.



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Emails

If you wish to receive newsletters by email please give your address to the office.

Going Home Book

Please let us know if you will not be collecting your child from school. Details of who will be collecting need to go in the Home Book, located outside the office. If this is a regular arrangement, you can write a letter giving permission instead of using the book each time.

We cannot let children go home with someone if we have not been informed. Last minute changes will require a phone call to the office.

Absences

Please remember that we need a note to explain pupil absence or to inform us of medical appointments.

Free School Meals

As many of you are aware all pupils up until year three receive free cooked meals. So applying for free school meals may seem unnecessary, but the school receives extra funding for each child that qualifies and we can offer support with the costs of trips and clubs for pupils who are on the free school meal list.

Diary Dates

Christingle service- Tuesday 31 January 2pm at St Margaret's of Antioch Church

TD day- Monday 20 February

Parent's Evening- Tuesday 21 and Wednesday 22 February (times and sign-up sheets to follow)



What is Mr Smith reading?

I am keen to promote reading for fun as well as for learning, so will start to post entries about books that I think pupils will enjoy. I am currently reading Knightley & Son, a book aimed at year 5 and over. It is a mystery detective book, a Sherlock Holmes for children. I give this book a 4/5.

It would suite readers who liked Harry Potter, as it has a similar style. However it is more of a young Sherlock Holmes than a book about wizards!

Library

The Library is closed, as we are going to taking stock of what we have ready to reopen on Thursday 12th January.

Clubs

Clubs will start week commencing 9th January.

All clubs (excluding tennis) are provided through the school; we pay the coaches and provide materials and other costs. If we charge only for the clubs that cost, some clubs would cost £25 per half term. So we have spread the costs over all clubs, your £5 per half term makes this sustainable.

This term places on clubs will only be given when payment has been received. **The cost of the club is non-refundable and if pupils wish to attend they must pay before they start.** Thank you for your help and support in this matter. We want clubs to be affordable for all and feel that this is the best way to achieve this.

Details of which club your child/children has a place are attached. If you receive your newsletter by email then please check your child's book bag.