Dear Parents/Carers

Time is whizzing by…. We are almost at half term! The weather is turning colder so please make sure your child has their coat with them in school every day.

**Non Uniform Day**

On Friday 25th October we are having a non uniform day. Children can come to school in their own clothes and in return we ask for £1. All money raised will go towards our Culture enrichment day which we have booked for all our children to take part in.

**Year 7 Admission Forms**

A reminder that completed forms should be returned to the school office by Friday 25th October and we will ensure they are returned to the main council office by the 31st October. Please name at least two schools in case you are not successful with your first choice.

**Y6 to Y7 EHCP review meetings**

Please make sure you attend your allocated appointment as it is an important meeting. Victoria Cosgrove has been allocated as our secondary EHCP co-ordinator. The meeting is an opportunity for you to express your wishes for your child’s secondary school and to make sure their reviewed EHCP fully represents their needs going forward. If you are unable to attend on the day, the meeting will go ahead as planned and you will be sent a copy of your child’s draft EHCP for KS3 when completed.

**Absence due to sickness**

If your child is poorly please ensure you telephone the school office before 9am each morning they are absent from school. Michelle phones all families we have not heard from to make sure the child is safe. Parents - please let your escort know when your child is returning to school to ensure they are picked up that morning.

**PTA**

Our first PTA meeting is on Tuesday 15th October at 4pm. I have had some parents let me know they wish to join in raising money for school. If you would like to attend please let Mrs Duncan or Michelle know. The first meeting will be looking at stalls for our end of term assembly. If you can donate any prizes for our raffle/auction can you let me or Michelle know? Thank you.

**Xmas Holidays**

Please note this year we are closing at 1.30pm on the last day of term – Friday 20th December. Your child will be taken home as normal on transport.

**Facebook**

Most days photos are put on our school Facebook page showing what exciting activities different classes are taking part in. Please follow us on Facebook and like our page. We would love every parent to follow the page if possible.

**Parents Meetings**

Parent meetings to talk to your teachers about how they have settled into their new class and how they are progressing will be held after school the week commencing 18th November. Appointments will be sent out to parents. If you are unable to attend please phone the school office and we will do our best to find an alternative time.

**Dates for the diary**

**18th Oct**  Mixed school football competition @ Clare Mount

**W/c 21st Oct**  Science Week – all classes

**22nd Oct** Giraffe trip to Tam O’Shanter Farm

**24th Oct**  Saturn House fundraiser – Cookie, donuts and juice sale

**25th Oct**  Non Uniform Day – Bring in £1

**25th Oct**  IEPs home to parents

**Half Term Week**

**Mon 4th Nov** School opens

**7th Nov** Judo- 5 week - sessions start – Owls and Sharks

**8th Nov**  Non Uniform Day – Children in Need - £1

**12th Nov** Birkenhead Park trip – Wolf Class

**13th Nov** Camhs Coffee Evening – 5pm-6pm – evening as parents requested

 Birkenhead Park trip – Bear Class

**14th Nov** Police to visit the children

**w/c 18th Nov** Parent Meetings

**25th Nov** Winter Tale @ Williamson Art Gallery – Bear

**26th Nov** Winter Tale @ Williamson Art Gallery – Wolf

**29th Nov** Art Day – all classes

**2nd Dec**  Peter Pan @ Williamson Art Gallery – Sharks/Owls

**3rd Dec**  Peter Pan @ Williamson Art Gallery – Giraffes/Foxes/Tigers

**4th Dec** Christmas Story @ Christchurch – Owls

**13th Dec** Non Uniform Day – Bring a bottle – for our bottle tombola – end of term assembly

**16th Dec** Meaning of Christmas – Christmas Assembly led by vicar

**19th Dec** 10am – Merit/Christmas Assembly – all parents/carers welcome

**20th Dec** House Reward to cinema

 Own clothes day - £1 – Neptune House fundraiser

 **School closes at 1.30pm**

 Reports out to parents

**Christmas Holidays**

**6th Jan** Inset day – school closed

**7th Jan** School opens for new term

More activities will be added to the above as the term progresses. Please keep the diary activities safe and ensure your child is in school every day to enjoy them.

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Duncan