

Pegswood Primary School News

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Friday 23rd October

Teacher Training Day

A reminder that Monday 2nd November is a Teacher Training Day. School will open for children after half term on Tuesday 3rd November.

Parents Evenings

Thank you to everyone who attended these over the various nights. There were lots of positive comments about life at our school and about the building work that has been carried out. Mrs Welsh has contacted her parents and those evenings are in the first week after half term.

Bingo!

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Friends bingo night. It was lovely to see lots of families and a good time was had by all.

School Website

The school website is regularly updated with events, photographs and reminders. Please access it on the website at the top of the page. All newsletters, past and present, are on the website and are able to be downloaded or viewed. The calendar clearly shows upcoming events for the next few days, but clicking on the calendar tab will enable you to view the month ahead. The calendar is usually filled in for the term. There are also links on the home page to School360 and Abacus which the children will be using regularly. Recently a link to Tapestry, the Early Years online learning journal has been added. A Forest School tab has been added to show you the work that happens in that. Only the classes who are currently working with Mrs Franklin are showing, but as more classes work with her, more will become visible. Please take a few minutes to take a look at the website and any feedback would be gratefully received.

Scooters and bikes

It is great to see children coming safely to school on their scooters and bikes. Please could we ask that all bikes are not left at the front of school, in the entrance yard, by the front door to school or outside nursery. Please push the bikes or scooters through the main gates and put them in the correct area. The front of school is beginning to look messy with bikes propped up against walls. It also ensures their security, as the main gates are locked at 9.00am. Thank you for your help with this.

Punctuality

A number of children are arriving late to school and have to come through the main office because the main gates are closed. Punctuality is like attendance – both are crucial to the child's learning development. Arriving late means that children miss the morning routines and sometimes important work is missed. Arriving 5 minutes late each day equates to 3 lost days over the year. Our late register is shared with the Education Welfare Officer (EWO) each half term and patterns identified may result in the EWO contacting you to address the issue.

Half term building work

It's the turn of Key Stage 2 to get a little bit of a facelift over half term. New storage units, similar to those in Key Stage 1 are being fitted, the boys toilets are being renovated and the Year 3 cloak room is being stripped of sinks so it will be able to be used for an indoor space for Forest School.

A busy half term draws to an end. Have a lovely half term and don't forget the clocks go back an hour this weekend!

