

Elmhurst School

Making a Positive Difference to the Quality of Learning
Headteacher ♦ Miss Rachel Kirk



13 February 2015

Dear Parents,

Half Term

I hope you all have a nice half term. School finishes today, Friday, 13 February and re-opens to children on Monday, 23 February.

INSET Day

I would also like to remind you that school will be closed on Friday, 20th March for an INSET Day.

Absences from School

If your child is absent from school due to an appointment, I would like to remind parents that we need to see a copy of the appointment letter to authorise the absence. If you telephone to make an appointment to see the Doctor, please ask for an appointment card for school when you arrive at the surgery.

If your child is absent due to illness, parents should telephone the school each day of absence and follow up the absence with a written note when he/she returns to school. We need signed confirmation from parents for legal reasons. Thank you to all those parents who ring in, but we also need a signed letter for the pupil records.

2 Year Old Nursery

We still have two 2 year old spaces available. If you think you might be eligible or would like to find out more, please pop into the Children's Centre where the staff there will be more than happy to support you. Alternatively speak to Mrs Maryam Khan, Mrs Rumble or Mrs Cullimore. If you already know you are eligible then please speak to the school office and bring your offer letter with you. We plan to offer 8 more 2 year old places in the afternoons after the Easter holiday.

World Book Day

World Book Day will be celebrated on 5th March, more details to follow but the day will involve dressing up!

Red Nose Day

We will be fundraising for Red Nose Day on Friday, 13th March, further details to follow.

PE Kits for Reception Children

Reception children now need a school PE kit as the children are changing for PE in preparation for Year 1. PE kit consists of a plain white t-shirt, plain black shorts and plimsolls for indoor PE. Plain black jogging trousers and trainers are needed for outdoor PE.

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Book Fair – 24-27 February

We will be holding our first ever Book Fair during the week after half term. It will take place after school from Tuesday, 24 February until Friday, 27 February between 3.00-4pm. Please come along and see the books on offer.

Thank You

Thank you to Raj Khan, Councillor Elmhurst and Watermead, for the generous donation towards our new children's kitchen which we are fundraising for. We have plans to have this up and running by September.

Parent Volunteers

Thank you to all our parent volunteers who come in to listen to our children read, it makes a big difference and the support is highly valued. Any parents wishing to volunteer should contact the school office and let their interest be known.

Name Change

Miss Kirk will become Mrs Lee following half term.

Yours sincerely,

Miss R Kirk
Headteacher