

Galleywood Infant School

Friday 6th January 2017



Dear Parents,

A very warm welcome back to school after the Christmas break! We would like to wish all of our school families a happy and healthy 2017.

Goodbye Mr Foreman-we will miss you!



Welcome to Mr Tee

On the 1st January Mr Foreman officially handed over the responsibility (and massive bunch of keys) to Jonathan Tee.

Jonathan has been caretaker at Woodlands School near Brentwood and has recently moved to the Chelmsford area. We hope he will be very happy working in Galleywood, sharing his time between our school at St Michael's.

Term Dates

Please check and note a couple of changes as you transfer key dates to your new 2017 calendars:

- **Friday 3rd February** is Owls Class Assembly at 10:15
- **Friday 10th February** is Hedgehogs Class Assembly at 10:15
- **Monday 20th Feb** is a Non Pupil Day, as previously advised.
- Our Science week runs from **Monday 6th February to Friday 10th February**- details next week of ways we would like you to be involved!
- Foundation Stage Parent Consultations take place on **Tue 7th Feb 3:30-6pm and Wed 8th Feb 5-7:30pm.**
- Yr1 and Yr2 Parent Consultations take place on **Mon 27th March 3:30-6pm and Tue 28th March 5:30-7:30pm.**

- There will be a music festival presentation of Eddie the Penguin on **Thursday 30th March at 10am** involving all children in Yr1 and Yr2. Visitors welcome- details to follow.
- Term ends on **Friday 31st March** at 3:10pm and the summer term begins on Tuesday 18th April at 8:50am. The full dates list has been updated on our website to include the changes.

Uniform

We have had a few parents looking for stray items of uniform and PE kits this week. The New Year might be a good time to check that your child's name is written clearly in all items. I often find jumpers, fleeces, cardigans and items of PE kit left in the hall or library without names. Anything named is always returned immediately- it helps us all! Thank you.

A final reminder for anyone with a child, friend or relative due to start school that applications for a school place in **September 2017** close on **Sunday 15th January 2017**.

Cushion Club

Our next film & pizza evening takes place this Friday 13th January. Tickets on sale now!

Crossing Patrol

We are delighted that we now have a crossing patrol on Barnard Road at both ends of the school day. Linda stands near St Michael's gate in the mornings and now Tricia will be covering the afternoon shift. She helps families to cross outside our school between 3:10-3:20 and then moves to St Michael's when the older children leave school. Please use this opportunity to support the crossing patrol staff and to teach your children about road safety.

Christmas Card recycling

Miss Mildinhall has been working hard to gain recognition for outdoor learning at Galleywood and our work to raise children's awareness of environmental matters. We have just achieved our Silver Award! Well done everyone! If you still have Christmas cards to recycle please bring them to school by Friday 13th. Thank you.

Chelmsford Foodbank

We have had a request from the Foodbank for the following items:

Most urgent: jars of jam, packets of mashed potato, any breakfast cereals, cartons of long life fruit juice.

Other top-up items: tinned fruit, tinned spaghetti, tinned potatoes, tinned rice pudding, cartons or instant custard.

The Foodbank warehouse in Beehive Lane continues to be open on Mon, Wed, Fri mornings 10-12:30 to receive any donations.