



DALE HOUSE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER MARCH 2017



DEAR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Easter is here and so is the lovely sunshine. The snowdrop, the crocus and daffodil are now in full bloom! Our last Easter week is here and British Summer Time too, marking the end of a long, busy, but exciting Epiphany (Spring) Term. If you need Holiday Club your booking forms must be in by Monday 27th March.

This week, the Easter Art Competition entries are on display in the Hall. The great ideas and artistic creations look brilliant. Please come in to the Hall and have a look!

On Monday 3rd April we will have our Easter Assembly in school and we are all looking forward to the End of Term celebrations in St John's church on Tuesday 4th April.

The Robinwood Residential parents' meeting takes place on Monday 27th March 2017 at 6.30pm. Important information will be distributed at this meeting.

It seems a long time ago now but in February the Nursery Rhyme Day was a wonderful event, seeing the little ones dressed up as characters from their favourite Nursery Rhymes and being able to recite their pieces with confidence. The Junior pupils did very well with their poems too. The standard was very high and it was difficult to pick the winners.

It was good to see so many parents and Junior children at the Friends of Dale House Games Night on Thursday 9th March. A special thank you goes to our organisers Miss Windows and Mrs Copley who did a fantastic job! Thank you also to Mrs Wilson and Miss Fenton for the lovely supper they prepared. Finally, thanks to all our parents who donated prizes too! Over 70 attended and took part.

The pupils and staff of Lower School have had a wonderful Easter week.

A big thank you to all parents who have sent in donations of Easter Eggs and treats for the Lower School. Also to those in Juniors who sent in Easter Treats for their children's class. Thank you for all the contributions of chocolate goodies for the Chocolate Hamper Raffle.

Thank you, as always, to Mrs Davies and Mrs Gaimster and the Committee of Friends of Dale House for making up the hampers and for raising funds for our school. The yellow and green hamper boxes look great!

The raffle for the Chocolate Hampers will now be drawn on Friday 31st March and the winners can collect their hampers from school on Monday 3rd April or at St John's Church following the end of term services. Can we ask that parents please return the baskets so that we can use them again

for the next hamper raffle. Thank you and good luck!

THE EPIPHANY (SPRING) TERM FINALE Tuesday 4th April 2017

On the last day of term lessons take place as usual but the children will be invited to attend Mrs Fletcher's birthday party in the morning. In the afternoon pupils go to the End of Term Services which take place at St John's Church, next door to the school. All the staff enjoy seeing the parents, grandparents, family and friends who come to see the children singing, acting, reading and performing. Parents always remark on how much they enjoy the End of Term service(s). Children especially love to see their family members watching them from the congregation.

Service 1 Lower School – 1pm to 1.30pm:

Prep (Mrs Doel's class)

Transition/Y1 (Mrs Howard's class)

LPI/2 (Miss Mears' class)

The Church opens at 12.45pm for tea and coffee.

The Lower School service commences at 1pm and ends at 1.30pm. The Lower School closes at the end of the service and children are dismissed and handed over to parents or relatives at the Church. Those with older brothers/sisters are welcome to enjoy a tea/coffee (small donation please) before the next service begins.

Service 2 Upper School – 2pm to 2.30pm:

UP III (Mr Mather's class)

UP IV (Mrs Copley's class)

UP V/VI (Miss Windows' class)

The Upper School service commences at 2pm and ends at 2.30pm. The Upper School closes at the end of the service and children are dismissed and handed over to parents or relatives at the Church.

The Nursery Children will remain in school and must be picked up from school before 2.30pm.

The School will close to pupils and parents at 2.30pm. There will be NO Late Club or Homework Club.

Finally, on behalf of all the staff and children at Dale House School, we hope you have a very happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you again at the beginning of the Trinity (Summer) Term. (Summer uniform please).

Mrs S.M.G. Fletcher
Headmistress
24th March 2017