



DATES TO REMEMBER

- 16.01.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 23.01.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 29.01.19 5C assembly 9.10am
- 30.01.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 05.02.19 5W assembly 9.10am
- 06.02.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 12.02.19 1L assembly 9.10am
- 13.02.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 18.02.19 -22.02.19 Half Term Week**
- 25.02.19 School Reopens
- 27.02.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 05.03.19 1C assembly 9.10am
- 12.03.19 3H assembly 9.10am
- 13.03.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 19.03.19 Class Photos
- 20.03.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 26.03.19 3R assembly 9.10am
- 27.03.19 Years 3&5 Swimming
- 02.04.19 R KW assembly 9.10am
- 09.04.19 RH assembly 9.10am
- 15.05.19 – 26.15.19 Easter Holiday**
- 29.05.19 School Reopens
- 22.05.19- 24.05.19 Yr6 Kingswood Residential
- 27.05.19 – 31.05.19 May Half Term**
- 18.07.19 Leavers assembly 2pm
- 19.07.19 Break up for Summer Holidays.**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year for 2019. I hope that everyone had a relaxing and peaceful Christmas break. The children returned to school looking very refreshed and they seem eager to hit the ground running.

The Spring Term is always very busy and is in fact the most important term of the year. This is the term when children often make the most progress as they have now settled into their classes and there are no distractions between now and Easter. Please try to support us in helping your child do as well as possible by helping them do their homework, practising their times tables and by reading with them every day.

Our school attendance is not brilliant at the moment. Some of you may have recently received a letter regarding concerns about your child's attendance. We will write to all parents whose child's attendance falls below 94% as we take attendance matters very seriously. Please take these letters seriously. 90% attendance = ½ a day a week missed on average. 80% = 1 day a week missed. Over the weeks, months and years this can have a serious effect on your child's progress and achievement. The same can be said for persistent lateness. If you are regularly arriving at 9.15am, this may not seem like a lot but twenty minutes a day is nearly an hour and half of education missed every week. This also negatively affects self-esteem and confidence, as walking into a lesson late often means that children won't know what to do and will feel upset and low in confidence. Your child's attendance is down to you! Please help us improve to 96% this term. Help your child be an attendance **HERO: Here Everyday Ready Ontime.**

The class by class attendance breakdown is on the second page of this newsletter.

Mrs Frost (Deputy Headteacher) will be absent for the next two weeks as she has been summonsed for statutory jury duty. Hopefully she will be back in school ASAP. She will be the third member of staff in the last 12 months to be called upon.

Please note that this week Pizza and Chips will be served on **Thursday NOT Friday.**



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We have spaces available to start this term in both morning and afternoon sessions. Visitors are welcome to come and have a look around. You can also come and register your child for April/September 2019. For any further information required please contact **Mrs Homer 01384 818409**. See the leaflet below to see if you are eligible or entitled to help with childcare costs.

HELP PAYING FOR CHILDCARE

MONEY TOWARDS CHILDCARE

Any **one** of the following schemes...

- Age 0-11** (Or 16 if disabled): Get up to **£2000** per child. For working families. **TAX-FREE CHILDCARE**
- Age 0-15**: Claim back up to **85%** of costs. For working families. **UNIVERSAL CREDIT**
- Age 0-15** (Or 16 if disabled): Claim back up to **70%** of costs. For working families. **TAX CREDITS**

... **can** be used with

FREE HOURS OF CHILDCARE

- Age 2**: For families getting certain government support. **15 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE**
- Age 3-4**: For all families. **15 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE**
- Age 3-4**: For working families. **30 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE**

For full details visit childcarechoices.gov.uk

Getting childcare vouchers? Go to GOV.UK to find out more

Why not come and have a look – you **WILL NOT** be disappointed.

CLUBS & Activities

Our after school clubs restart Monday 14th January (for 6 weeks)
 All club times: 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Mondays	Ks2 Football Club	Years 4,5&6
Tuesdays	Dodgeball	Years 4,5 & 6
Wednesdays	Ks1 Football	Years 2 & 3
Thursdays	Multi-sports	Years 1,2 & 3

If you would like to join any of the clubs please see Mrs Barfoot or Mr Hanson for information.

Change to the school menu.



Thursday 17th January
 Pizza and Chios Day

Autumn Term Attendance

Class	Attendance %
RKW	92.0
RH	94.3
1C	92.5
1L	94.2
2H	94.4
2W	94.1
3H	96.0
3R	95.4
4J	97.0
4W	96.1
5C	94.8
5W	95.6
6G	96.3
6M	94.9
Total	95.1