

Captain Cook Primary School

October Newsletter 2024



PD DAY REMINDER

PLEASE REMEMBER WE HAVE A PD DAY ON MONDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER, SO THE CHILDREN ARE NOT IN SCHOOL ON MONDAY.

Harvest Festival



Once again we will be collecting donations for Middlesbrough food bank whilst celebrating our Harvest Festival. Please could you bring any donations of tinned/ dried/ non-perishable foods or toiletries into school on Monday 21st October.



Parent/Carer Information Evenings

Once again we would like to thank all our parents who took their time to complete our parent survey at the end of the summer term. In light of those responses we are making a few changes this year. To improve communication and to ensure parents/ carers are aware of our expectations and have a better understanding of what and how your children will be taught this year we are holding some parent information evenings. **Please see key dates.** The purpose of these is to provide general information, and staff will not be able to answer questions about individual children. You will be able to discuss your child and their progress during your parent consultation appointment. Full survey results and our actions from it are attached to the email.

Wear Pink for Breast Cancer

Breast cancer is a condition that affects thousands of people every year; however, it seems that our school community has suffered more than most over the past few years. As some of you may be aware Friday 18th October is 'Wear Pink for Breast Cancer' and this year we have decided to support this charity so close to many people's hearts. We are inviting our children to come into school wearing pink, bringing a donation for the charity if they wish to do so.

Christmas



To provide parents with as much notice as possible we have planned our Christmas events - please see key dates. Further information to follow.

Attendance

Good school attendance has become a national priority and as such DfE guidance around managing school attendance has changed. Please look out for a letter detailing these changes and how they may affect you. This is not a school or Trust policy but is a government directive.

HOLIDAY CLUB

Just a reminder that following the success of our Summer Holiday Club and the positive feedback from parents, we will be running Holiday Clubs throughout the year (excluding Christmas). The club will operate between 8.30am and 5.30pm Monday to Friday. We are trying to keep costs to a minimum for parents, and therefore the charge will be £30 per day, or £125 for a full week. Bookings for the October Half Term must be made before and paid for18th October. Please book through the School Gateway from to avoid disappointment as places are limited.

Key Dates



Further dates and information will follow through the year but please find below an outline of key diary dates.

- 30th Sep PD Day: children NOT in school.
- 7th Oct Year 5 & 6 parent information evening
- 8th Oct SEND parent information evening
- 9th Oct Year 1 & 2 parent information evening
- 14th Oct Year 3 & 4 parent information evening
- 17th Oct Reception and Nursery open evening 4 – 6pm
- 18th Oct Wear pink for breast cancer
- 21st & 22nd Oct Parent Consultations
- 23rd to 25th Oct Year 6 residential to Robinwood
- 22nd Oct Harvest Festival
- 25th Oct Break up for Half Term
- 4th Nov Children return to school
- 5th Nov Year 4 visit Land of Iron
- 27th Nov Flu immunisations
- 2nd Dec Mental Elf run for MIND
- 3rd Dec PTA Christmas Fayre 5-7pm
- 5th Dec- Year 3 visit Oriental museum
- 5th Dec Adventure Suite Ice and Climb festival
- 5th Dec Community coffee and carols
- 6th Dec Year 5 visit Jorvik and Dig
- 9th Dec Snappy Christmas
- 9th Dec- Reception and Nursery nativity pm
- 10th Dec Reception and Nursery Nativity am
- 10th Year 1 & 2 Nativity pm
- 11th Dec- Year 1 & 2 Nativity am
- 11th Dec Year 3 & 4 Nativity pm
- 12th Dec Year 3 & 4 Nativity am
- 13th Dec Year 5 Carol Concert
- 16th Dec Year 6 Carol Concert
 16th Dec Nursery parties am & pm
- 17th Dec Year 1 & 4 parties
- 18th Dec Christmas jumper day
- 18th Dec Christmas lunch
- 18th Dec Year 3 party
- 19th Dec Year 2 & 5 parties
- 20th Dec Reception & Year 6 parties
- 20th Dec Break up for Christmas
- 6th Jan PD Day
- 7th Jan Children return to school.
- 21st Feb Children break up for Half Term
- 3rd Mar Return to school
 - 11th Apr Break up for Easter
- 28th Apr Return to School
- 23rd May Break up for Half Term
- 2nd June-PD Day
- Tue 3rd June Return to school

Captain Cook Primary School Parent/Carer Survey 2023/24





Question		Strongly agree/ Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	You said -we did
1.	My child is happy at this school	92%	5%	1%	1%	We encourage any parent with any issues to come to speak to us
2.	My child feels safe at this school	94%	3%	2%	1%	Assembly focussed on the importance of feeling safe and speaking up when things don't seem to feel right
3.	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	84%	10%	1%	5%	New and simplified behaviour policy produced and shared with staff, children -calm, caring, conscientious and respectful
4.	My child has been bullied at this school and the school dealt with this quickly and effectively	17%	9%	4%		71% of parents said their child had not been bullied We continue to take all allegations of bullying very seriously and all fully investigated. Parents are kept updated
5.	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year	79%	14%	2%	5%	We are holding phase and SEND information evenings for parents early in the Autumn term
6.	When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly	57%	7%	3%		32% of parents said they had not raised any concerns All concerns are acknowledged and dealt with in a timely fashion. The vast majority of parents are satisfied with the outcome.
7.	Does your child have special educational needs and/ or disabilities SEND	Yes 14%	No 86%			
8.	My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed	88%	6%		6%	Miss Martin works closely with all parents of SEND children. SEND meetings are held regularly to discuss provision- referrals to outside agencies are made as required.
9.	The school has high expectations for my child	77%	8%	1%	14%	We are holding phase and SEND information evenings for parents early in the Autumn term
10.	My child does well at this school	93%	5%		2%	The vast majority of parents believe their child is doing well
11.	The school lets me know how my child is doing	87%	10%	1%	2%	Termly parent consultation evenings. Termly effort and attainment grids shared with parents.
12.	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school	89%	3%	1%	6%	Currently undergoing a website relaunch. Year group newsletters have been sent out to families.
13.	My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school	93%	4%		3%	School provides a wide range of activities which are popular with our families.
14.	The school supports my child's wider personal development	79%	9%	1%	12%	We are holding phase and SEND information evenings for parents early in the Autumn term to inform parents about what their child will be learning. Currently undergoing a website relaunch.
15.	I would recommend this school to another parent	Yes 89%	No 11%			The vast majority of parents are happy with school. We encourage any parent who is unhappy to contact us.

