

Westdale Junior School

Newsletter

Spring Term

Friday 20th
January

Please find this terms' diary dates on the reverse of this letter.

Possible School Closures

If due to unforeseen circumstances we have to unexpectedly close the school we will use our text message service to let you know. However, if we have heavy snow and you think it likely that the school may close, you can also check by listening to the following radio stations from 7am:

BBC Radio Nottingham 95.5FM and 103.8FM

Trent FM 96.2FM

There is also a new service that allows us to inform you of school closure directly through the BBC website at: <http://news.bbc.co.uk/local/nottingham/hi/>

Parent Governors

A little advance notice that we will shortly be asking if any parents would like to nominate themselves for election to our governing body.

This is a very important role and an exciting opportunity for you to be involved in planning for the future at Westdale Junior School.

If you would like to know more about the role of the parent governor then please contact school.

Please keep an eye out for nomination forms, which will be coming home before half term.

Playground

We became very aware last term that the games of football that the children were playing were becoming increasingly rough and were taking up the majority of the playground. As a result children who were not playing football had limited areas to play in and on occasion were injured by balls.

This has led us to make some significant changes to both playtimes and lunchtimes.

We have zoned the playground into a football area and a non football area. So far, this has worked really well, the footballers have their own mini pitches and other children have much more space to play in. This has meant that we have seen much less aggressive play and fewer football related injuries.

We have also made some changes at lunchtime. We welcome three new members of staff, Mrs Brockley, Mrs Morrell and Mrs West to the midday team. They have been appointed to develop and lead playground games with the children. It has been really nice over the last week to see the children engaged in a variety of games and to see the positive impact this has had on lunch times.

We will continue to monitor and review what we do outside and let you know about any developments as they occur.



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Dates for the Term

Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February Half Term

Weds 22nd - Friday 24th February Y4 Residential to Ironbridge

Monday 5th March Class Photographs

Tuesday 7th March Y5 go Timetravelling

Wednesday 14th March Parents' Evening

Thursday 15th March Parents' Evening

Thursday 29th March Y3/4 Production

Friday 30th March Break up for Easter

Nestle Box Tops

A small reminder that we are still collecting box tops for books. If you have any at home please bring them in so that we can exchange them for books for our library. Thank you.