

All Saints Upton CE Primary School



Newsletter

February 2018

The year seems to be flying by but the bad weather is clearly not done with us yet! Please do take care whilst travelling to and from school in these wintery conditions. Spring is just around the corner as we begin to prepare for our Easter celebrations.

Facebook

We are very concerned that our Facebook page is increasingly being used by a very small minority of parents to voice concerns and opinions. The Facebook page was set up for us to celebrate our children's achievements and to share information. It is against our Code of Conduct that the Facebook page be used to air derogatory comments and any issues should always be raised with the class teachers in the first instance. Please use our Facebook page appropriately so that we do not have to lose this means of communication.

PTFA News

Thank you so much to our PTFA for hosting the Film night last week. As always it was very well attended and the children all really enjoyed themselves. Our PTFA gives a huge amount of support to our school and we really appreciate their help.

Chester Zoo

On Tuesday 30th January the whole school went to Chester Zoo because all the children need to know about animals and their habitats so it's kind of like a science lesson but outside. Also if you're wondering, the zoo let us go free. (Yes free!)

As soon as we got there, we went to look at the African elephants. Year 4 couldn't stop laughing – it was extremely funny because an elephant did a

performance! We weren't going to see the monkeys but Year 4 insisted so we eventually saw them.

After that we went in the Butterfly House and we saw a mouse eating a melon in the Butterfly house. A butterfly landed on my (Niamh's) hat! They were so pretty but there were big, hairy spiders behind the glass.

Then after lunch we saw the chimps. There were four babies and one dad. The dad kept looking at me! (Isabelle) Then we saw the crocodiles, bats and lions.

Tuesday was an amazing day at the zoo! We loved it.

Isabelle Benson & Niamh Wayman
Year 4

E-Safety Day

On 7th February the whole school took part in our annual E-Safety Day. The day was very exciting as it involved the classes moving in a carousel around the school and instead of just doing work on E-Safety, the children got to take part in meaningful philosophy sessions, mindfulness, art work, singing and much more! The children were able to listen to each other's views as well as think more carefully about topics such as peer pressure, stranger danger, texting and gaming and much more. Hopefully everyone is now an expert at keeping themselves safe online.

Dates for your Diary

- Parents Afternoon/Evening is taking place tomorrow, Wednesday 28th February. If you have any problems with this date, please see your child's teacher.
- Year 3 start swimming lessons for two weeks on Tuesday 6th March.

- On Friday 16th March our PTFA are holding a Non-uniform Day and are asking for chocolate donations for the Easter Bingo which is taking place on Tuesday
- The next Celebration Assembly is on Friday 23rd March.
- Our Easter service in Church will be taking place on Wednesday 28th March at 1.30 at St Basil's and All Saints church. We look forward to seeing you there.

Our attendance has suffered this month because of all the illnesses that have been going around. Hopefully as the weather improves we will all be able to beat our School Target of 96%.

Remember - Lateness is a serious issue and can have a tremendous effect on your child's confidence and progress.

We are now fast approaching assessment time of year. Please make sure that your child is on time and in school so that we can give them the best preparation that we can and raise their self-confidence. Our shared aim is to make our children happy and successful and we value your support.

We break up for Easter on Thursday 29th March.

Best wishes,

Mrs Boyden

Racing For Attendance

Attendance: February 2018

Class	Attendance%
Rec	94.1%%
Year 1	96.6%
Year 2	93.8%
Year 3	90.6%
Year 4	93.6%
Year 5	88.3%
Year 6	93.1%

Year 1 was the WINNER again!



Year 5 meeting the giraffes at Chester Zoo.