



Sharmans Cross Junior School

Striving for Excellence

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Dates for your diary:

2014

April

11 - School Bank

14 - **Easter break**

28 - **INSET**

30 - Y3 Think Tank Trip

May

1 - Prof McGinty - Y4

2 - School Bank

2 - Coffee Morning (SEN)

5 - Y4/Y5 Cricket Coaching

6 - Prof McGinty - Y5

9 - School Bank

9 - PTA Meeting

12 - SATS Week

14/15/16 - Y4 Residential trip to Bell Heath

16 - School Bank

19 - Y4/5 Cricket Coaching

21 - Y6 First Aid Training

22 - **INSET (Polling)**

23 - School Bank

26 - **Half Term**

June

2/3/4/5 Y6 Residential trip to Redridge

2 - Y4/Y5 Cricket Coaching

3 - Y5 Cricket Festival

3 - Destiny Africa Concert

6 - Coffee Morning

9 - Cricket Coaching

11 - Prof McGinty - Y5

16 - Y4/5 Cricket Coaching

23 - Y4/5 Cricket Coaching

26 - New Intake Evening

July

4 - Summer Fair

8 - Coffee Morning

8 - Sports Day

8/9/10/11/14 - Book Fair

9 - Open Evening

10 - Y4 Cricket Festival

14/15/16 - Y6 at Solihull School

14/15/16/17/18 - Y3

swimming

16 - Y6 Performance at Solihull School

17 - Leavers' Tea

17 - Leavers' Disco

18 - Leavers' Assembly

21 - **INSET**

22 - **Summer**

September

1 - **INSET**

2 - Possible INSET [TBC]

My many thanks to Y4 for a fantastic show this week. Their production of *A Glint of Gold*, a spurious title by the way as it was a full on blingfest!!, was both educational, and entertaining. Their hard work learning about Egypt was very obvious as was their enthusiasm for the subject matter! Even more obvious was their immense work in learning lines, preparing costumes and pulling together an amazing collection of talents into one place!

From the opening video that set the scene, through the carefully planned and operated lighting sequences, from the beautiful singing, acting and performance skills to the back drops and set design the children's hand was evident throughout. We are really fortunate to have such a group of talented children who, working in partnership with the staff, can make such incredible things happen!

Yet more reason to be proud of our school and the many achievements that we create.

Not content with setting the creative world alight with their magnificent production, 4CH then followed the feat up with an equally wonderful performance as part of the Solihull Music Service Concert at The Bushell Hall, Solihull School the following night! I know for myself, staff, children and parents this has meant a tiring series of late nights, but they have been well worth it to see the quality of our children's work and to provide them with these fabulous artistic opportunities to boot!

What was also pleasing to hear this week was the feedback from the cycling instructors working with Y5. They all commented upon the way that the children listened, followed instructions carefully and quickly and that this allowed them to get so much done. They pointed out what a credit the children were to the school. Well done Y5!

What's been especially pleasing about the Bikeability course has been the number of bikes parked outside of school this week. With the improving weather, cycling is a great way to get to school, developing a healthy lifestyle for the children and helping them to both get and stay fit for life in an enjoyable way. It would be fantastic to see so many bikes parked outside the school at the beginning of next week, after Bikeability has ended!

Finally, can I remind you all of the excellent activities that SC_Kids have planned for the children attending the Easter Holiday Club, either for a session, a half or full day. A cinema trip, circus skills, an outdoor adventure at Palmers Rough, Urban Dance and bouncy castles will make this a fortnight to remember. We still have some limited places left if you would like to send your child for an hour or more. For more info, contact Lyn Hoban via the school office.

Have a great weekend!

Mark



PTA Summer Fair

This year's Summer Fair is taking place on Friday 4th July from 6.00pm - 8.30pm with the theme of 'American Independence Day'. If anyone has any suggestions or ideas that would help to make the Summer Fair its usual success story, could they please contact either the school office or PTA to take these forward.



Sport Relief

Could all Sport Relief mile sponsorship money be handed in to the school office as soon as possible. Our present total is in excess of £1,500 and we would like to be able to bank this money for Sport Relief before the end of term. Many thanks to all who participated in the event.



Medicines in School

Could parents please ensure that a 'Consent to Administer Medicines Form' is completed and attached to all medication that needs to be administered during the school day. First Aid trained staff are happy to dispense medication but this is only possible when a completed consent form is submitted.



Summer Uniform

When children return to school after the Easter holidays there will be an official switch to the summer uniform. Girls are able to wear navy blue gingham dresses with boys able to wear white polo shirts and no tie.

Easter Dinner

Catering Services are offering a special lunch to celebrate Easter on Wednesday 9th April. Any child wishing to have an Easter dinner will need to let their class teacher know on the morning of Wednesday 9th. Payment of £1.90 for lunches can be made via ParentPay or by requesting a PayPoint Card or Bar Code via the school office.

