

THE POCHIN SCHOOL



Friday 9th February 2018

Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

This week we have been.....

Well we are at the end of another successful half-term and again it seems to have flown past. I hope that you all have a lovely half term and look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 19th February 2017.

Things to remember for next week and beyond



Please find attached the term dates for 2018-2019. Please kindly check these dates before you book your family holidays. Holidays are not permitted during term time and will be marked as 'unauthorised absence'.

Please note INSET days have also been set, these dates have been set on the needs of the school and when staff training or development providers are available.

Reminders and Other Bits and Pieces

SCHOOL DINNERS

Just a polite reminder that school dinners should be paid for in advance. Unfortunately, we cannot allow parents to run up substantial dinner arrears. If you are experiencing any difficulty in paying for school dinners please kindly come and talk to myself or the office staff.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'M. O'Dell'.

Miss. M. O'Dell
Head Teacher

World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day the School Council has decided that all children will be able to dress up as their favourite book character for the day. We request that if children dress up that they must bring the book or a picture of the front cover of the book into school with them. This will allow the children to share who they are and to inspire others to look and read the book. As a treat on the day, each class will have a special guest speaker from the school community, to come and read extracts from their favourite book. World book tokens will also be given out earlier in the same week, so the children can use them against any purchases (£2.99 or more) at the school Book Fair.

School Book Fair

The Pochin School will be holding a Scholastics Book Fair *from Thursday 22nd February till Tuesday 27th February*. This will be held from 3:10-3:45pm every day in the village hall. **To celebrate this event the school will be running an EXTREME reading competition.** We ask every child to bring in a picture of them reading in a funny, interesting or extreme place. The pupil with the most exciting, extreme or funny place that they have read will win a £5 gift voucher to spend at the fair. There will be a £5 prize for every class. So get your thinking caps on and get reading! Closing date for pictures to be in to school will be Thursday 22nd February.

There will be some great deals at the fair and this is a good opportunity to help support the school. Children have requested that the school increase their stock of reading books in each class. We have chosen to run the Scholastic Fair as the school will be able to purchase a number of books FREE for your children's classroom based on the sales.

The children will be given their World Book Day vouchers on Monday 26th February and will be able to use the £1 discount against any book priced £2.99 or more at the store. There will also be great savings on books. Watch out for the leaflet that will be going home on the 19th February for more information.

TERM DATES 2018-2019 Parents	
Friday 24 th August 2018	INSET Day 1 School closed to pupils and staff
Monday 27 th August 2018	Bank Holiday School closed
Tuesday 28 th August 2018	INSET Day 2 School Closed to pupils
Wednesday 29 th August 2018	INSET Day 3 School closed to pupils
Thursday 30th August 2018	Children return to school
Friday 12 th October 2018	Last day of term
Monday 15 th October 2018-Friday 19 th October 2018	Half Term Holiday
Monday 22nd October 2018	Children return to school
Friday 21 st December 2018	Last day of term
Monday 24 th December 2018 -Thursday 3 rd January 2019	Christmas Holidays
Friday 4 th January 2019	INSET Day 4 School closed to pupil
Monday 7th January 2019	Children return to school
Friday 15 th February 2019	Last day of term
Monday 18 th February 2019 - Friday 22 nd February 2019	Half Term Holiday
Monday 25th February 2019	Children return to school
Friday 12 th April 2019	Last day of term
Monday 15 th April 2019 -Friday 26 th April 2019	Easter Holidays
Monday 29th April 2019	Children return to school
Monday May 6 th 2019	Bank Holiday School closed
Friday 24 th May 2019	Last day of term
Monday 27 th May 2019 - Friday 31 st May 2019	Half Term Holiday
Monday 3rd June 2019	Children return to school
Friday 14 th June 2019	INSET Day 5 School closed to pupils
Friday 12 th July 2019	Last day of term (NOT Thursday 11 th July)