



BEEVER NEWSLETTER No.136

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

School closes for half term:	Friday 15 th February
School reopens:	Monday 25 th February
Parents Evening:	
KS1 & Early Years-	Wednesday 27 th February
KS2-	Thursday 28 th February
School closes for Easter:	Friday 5 th April
<u>Summer term</u>	
School reopens:	Tuesday 23 rd April
May day holiday:	Monday 6 th May
School closes for half term:	Friday 24 th May
School reopens:	Monday 3 rd June
School closes for Summer:	Thurs 18 th July @ 3.15pm

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Although attendance figures for children at school last term were slightly improved, they are still below levels I would expect to see. Holidays during term cannot be authorised and unauthorised absences risk the issuing of penalty notices. Also, medical appointments such as attendance at the dentist should always be arranged for outside of the school day- exceptions to this are hospital appointments which obviously are more difficult to schedule. Can I also remind parents that the doors open at 8.55am for a prompt start to the school day at 9.00am. Many of the really important building blocks for your child's reading development occur in the first part of the day and if your child is late and not ready for school at this time, then you are putting them at a significant disadvantage. Your help and support in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

PARENTS EVENING

You may have noticed from the class newsletters that parents evening was originally scheduled for next week. Due to timetabling issues, we have rearranged these now for the first week back after half term. Early Years and Key Stage 1 will be held on Wednesday 27th February, while the Key Stage 2 meetings will be held on Thursday 28th February.

Also in attendance at the meetings will be Clarks footwear and Monkhouse school uniform, who will be offering products at greatly discounted prices.

We hope it will be an ideal opportunity for parents to get new shoes and school wear for the second half of the school year. Appointment letters will be sent out next week.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Can I remind parents that school uniform includes the wearing of sensible shoes for school. Recently I have noticed a variety of footwear being worn which does not conform to our policy and I would therefore urge parents to ensure their child is dressed appropriately for the school day.

SIMS AGORA/PAY

We are making great strides to become a cashless school but there's still a number of parents who are paying with cash at the school office. From Monday 25th February the school office will no longer take cash payments and parents must pay for school meals, trips, nursery contributions etc on SIMS AGORA.

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