Civitas Academy Bulletin

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| Dress as a book character on Thursday |

**Welcome from Mr Wieder**

It promises to be another exciting week at Civitas. We have an animal visit taking place in Reception tomorrow and two sports competitions taking place. On Thursday, we also have our World Book Day celebrations where parents can join their child with reading activities in class. A reminder that children can dress as a character in return for either a book or £1 donation to charity. Thank you to Miss Frain for organising.

**Respectful Behaviour**

At Civitas Academy, our school values are: Honesty, Inclusion, Co-operation, Diversity, Respect and Aspiration. As a school, we strive to meet these values and we require the support of the school community to fulfil these values.

There continues to be reports of unacceptable behaviour of a very small minority of parents, who continue to park inconsiderately. There have been a few incidents where some parents have then become rude and aggressive towards other parents. Incidents such as this have been reported to the police and this needs to stop. We need everybody to work together to demonstrate our school value of respect to one another.

There was also a near miss last week where a toddler was nearly knocked down by a child on a scooter on the way into school last week. Please could families ensure that children on scooters are using them considerately and are aware of other pedestrians.

**Coronavirus**

A letter went out regarding this last week. The school will continue to act on advice and feedback from Public Health England and the Head of Health and Safety for REAch2. If there is any further news, we will keep you updated.

**Trial of Soft Start in Key Stage 2**

From Tuesday this week, we will trial a soft start to the school day in years 3 and 4. Rather than wait on the playground upstairs, children will walk straight to their classes and begin activities straight away. The soft start has been successful in EYFS and this should support a speedier dropping off service at the start of a school day. A member of staff will continue to be on duty (usually Miss Frain) at the start of the day to pass on any messages.

**Parents’ Evening: Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th March**

This is now live on the Tucasi/ Scopay system. Please use this to select the timeslot for your meeting. Spaces are allocated on a first come, first served basis. If anyone is struggling to use the system or require IT access to book, then please come to the office and they will be happy to support.

**Upcoming Events**

The event diary has been updated with all the planned events for the rest of this term. These are highlighted in yellow.

Please note we have arranged some sessions to support parents with awareness of how to support children with upcoming assessments. The Y1 team will run a session on phonics after the reading activities this Thursday. Y2 will run a session on the Y2 SATs process on the 19th March.

**All Clubs Cancelled Next Week (9th-13th March)**

Please note that due to parent evenings, there will be no clubs running at all next week.

**School Uniform Reminder**

A reminder that boots are not part of the current school uniform. Please could children also wear jumpers with the school logo.

**P.E. Reminders from Miss Vaal**

Sport Relief on 13th March will be wear something red or sporty and bring in £1.

Year 3 and 4 – reminder that shin pads are required for outdoor Hockey lessons.

A reminder that P.E. kits should be in all week as there will be some changes to the P.E. timetable over the next couple of weeks whilst competitions are taking place.

**Lunchboxes/ School Dinners**

A reminder that there should be no nut-based products in packed lunches. If ordering a school dinner, then menu choices should be made a week in advance.

**2019-20 Key Dates**

**Spring**

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| **Date and Time** | **Event** |
| Tuesday 3rd March | Animal visit to EYFS |
| Tuesday 3rd March | Netball Competition (selected pupils) |
| Thursday 5th March | World Book Day (parents welcome to spend upto 9:25am in classes to join in with reading activities. Children can come in dressed as a book character) |
| Thursday 5th March | Y2 Cricket Festival (selected pupils) |
| Thursday 6th March (9:25-9:45) | Phonics Workshop for Y1 parents |
| Tuesday 10th March (3:30-6pm) | Parents’ Evening |
| Thursday 12th March | Y4 Tag Rugby (selected pupils) |
| Thursday 12th March (3:30-6pm) | Parents’ Evening |
| Friday 13th March | Sports Relief |
| Thursday 19th March (3:30-4pm) | Y2 SATS meeting for parents |
| Thursday 19th March | Y1 to Wellington Country Park |
| Friday 27th March | Spring clubs finish |
| Monday 30th March (3:30pm-4pm) | Project Celebrations |
| Tuesday 31st March | Y1 Bug Ball |
| Thursday 2nd April | Y3 Easter Assembly |
| Friday 3rd April | End of Term |

**Summer**

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| **Date and Time** | **Event** |
| Monday 20th April | Children return to school |
| Monday 27th April (3:30-4pm) | Term Overview Meeting |
| Thursday 7th May (9am-9:30am) | Question and Answer Session with Head of School |
| Thursday 14th May | EYFS Train Trip |
| Monday 18th May (3:30-4pm) | Project Celebration |
| Monday 18th- Friday 22nd May | Mental Health Week |
| Monday 25th-Friday 29th May | Half Term |
| Thursday 4th June (9:10- 9:40am) | Y2 Eid Assembly |
| Monday 8th-Friday 12th June | Cultural Diversity Week |
| Friday 12th June | International Day |
| Friday 12th June (3:30-4pm) | International Food Festival |
| Tuesday 30th June (AM) | Sports Day |
| Wednesday 1st July | Transition Day |
| Friday 3rd July | Sports Day (Reserve date in case of bad weather on Tuesday 30th June) |
| Thursday 9th July | Question and Answer Session with Head of School |
| Friday 10th July | Reports Out |
| Friday 17th July | Last day of term for children |