

# SINGLETON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## Newsletter Number 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to a new term. I hope you all had an enjoyable and restful Christmas break. Thank you from all the staff for your good wishes, cards and gifts at the end of last term.

### Dates for the term

Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Swimming restarts (Year 2 upwards) Payment for this term is £35 for the first child and £30 for siblings
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> January – 3pm	FROGSS meeting – all welcome
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	9am – 10.15am Open Maths Morning for parents – all welcome to come and see how maths is taught in school
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>INSET DAY – School closed to pupils</b>
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Willow class assembly
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March – 3pm → 5pm	Parents Consultation
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March – 3pm → 5pm	Parents Consultation
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>END OF TERM</b>

**NB.** Apart from Football, other after school clubs will begin week of 19<sup>th</sup> January – more details next week.

### Letters by email

We would encourage as many parents as possible to receive newsletters by email – letters with slips attached will always be separate to this weekly newsletter. Just let Mrs Calloway know your email address by sending a message to [office@singleton.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@singleton.w-sussex.sch.uk)

### Nuts!

A reminder that packed lunches **should not** contain nut based products as these can adversely affect some pupils. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

### New Year Resolution!!

At the start of a new Year a reminder of the importance of regular reading with children at home. This supports their work in school and is vital to ensure that they make progress. Please note in your child's planner/reading record when you hear them read. Thank you!

### Eco Schools Bronze Award

You will notice a new award at the bottom of the newsletter for our newly achieved Bronze Eco Schools Award – congratulations to the Eco Schools group who have steered the school to this success. Silver award next!!



### School uniform reminders

At the start of a new term a reminder of the school uniform, as published in the school prospectus. Please note particularly the guidance regarding socks and shoes and we ask that during these cold winter months pupils have a warm coat in school. We encourage the wearing of school uniform to develop a sense of belonging and pride in our school and we ask parents to support us in this regard.

**Winter** - *A navy school sweatshirt\* or cardigan\* with a red polo shirt\*. Grey trousers or grey skirt. Navy, fleece-lined showerproof jacket\**

**Socks/Tights** *Socks should be grey or white. Tights should be grey, black or navy.*

**Shoes** *Shoes should be sensible 'school' shoes and not trainers, boots or open-toed sandals.*

**PE Kit** - *All children need a PE kit which should be kept in school at all times in a PE bag (bag supplied by the school).*

*Red T shirt\* with plain navy shorts.*

*All children need plimsolls (or trainers) to change into for outdoor PE lessons. We prefer black elasticated or velcro plimsolls for the younger children.*

*Navy jogging trousers may be worn in cold weather.*

**Swimming** *Children need a swimming costume and a towel. A bag is supplied by the school.*

Items marked with an asterisk are available to purchase from the school.

**ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE CLEARLY NAMED**

### YEAR OF MATHS 2015

Over the past two years we have had a year of reading, a year of writing, so this year it is the turn of mathematics. 2015 is to be the 'Year of Maths' at Singleton School.

We are launching this special year, next Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January, with a visit from The Puzzle Company who will spend time with each of the classes exploring large practical puzzles. This will allow the children to experience mathematics from a different perspective.

There are a range of activities planned to take place during the year and a group of children have already begun to put together Singleton School's first ever maths magazine. All being well, it should be ready very soon!

Every Friday, during assembly, teachers will be asked to nominate a child or children from their class who has demonstrated particular mathematical skills. Who will be first to achieve this and it doesn't just have to be based on maths carried out at school either!

We are having an open morning, from 9.00 to 10.15, on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January. Please come along and experience maths as it is taught today. More details to follow.

We would also welcome ideas you may have on any future events we could hold, in relation to maths, either for the children or for yourselves. Are there any parents whose jobs involve mathematical skills? If so, would you be willing to come into school to talk to the children? The children always enjoy having visitors and would gain an insight into real life maths. Please come and see me to arrange a date. Thank you.

Mrs Fielder.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to speak to us. Have a great weekend!

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Todd, Headteacher