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| **SPRING TERM 2018**  **NEWSLETTER** | |
|  | **Welcome!** |
| Dear Parents, Carers, Governors, Friends, Staff and Pupils,  **Welcome back!**  I do hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. I also hope you all enjoyed the range of Christmas experiences which we had at school. I am very grateful to the entire team and the PTA for a most memorable end of the year.  It seems such a long time ago since the Christmas Nativities which launched Christmas for our children. I certainly hope we created the magic of Christmas for them all.  Thank you for all your support and Christmas messages to the staff, the cards and gifts are not expected but as always you are so generous and kind.  We look forward to an exciting 2018!  Jane Marson |
| **Information** |
| **CHRISTMAS FAIR**  Congratulations to everyone for an amazing fund raising total of £1,561.39  It is clearly a reflection of the support you have for the school.  **IMMERSIVE LEARNING**  Our staff have been busy making the school look fabulous over the Christmas period ready for our new immersive learning topics.  In Foundation Stage they are working with the topic of ‘Once upon a time’  In KS1 - What makes someone Royal?  In Y3/4 - Egypt & the Egyptians  In Y5/6 Were the Vikings really vicious?.  **APPLYING FOR SCHOOL**  Do you have a child aged 3 to 4 years old? Was your child born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014? If so he/she should start school in September 2018. You can apply for a place online NOW using the electronic form on the councils website:**www.hullcc.gov.uk** or you can get an application form from the Admissions Team on Tel: 01482 300300. Application forms are available now. The deadline for receiving applications is January 15th 2018. You should make sure that you complete and return an application form online or a paper form to the Admissions Team.  If you are unsure please see an F1 member of staff.  **MEETING FOR PARENTS/CARERS FOR FS, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6**  All parents will be invited to a **MATHS IS FUN** session with your child.  A letter regarding this will follow closer to the date.  **CHRISTOPHER PICKERING WEBSITE**  Just a reminder to Parents/Carers that the school website is full of useful information and links. The blogs and twitter feed is a great way of seeing what your children have been up to forming an electronic diary of photographs showing special events and classroom activities in the school. It forms a wonderful record of life at Christopher Pickering Primary School.  **ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS**  In the case of icy or snowy weather, we will grit as much of the playground and surrounding paths as we are able to in order keep the school grounds operating as normal.  In the very unlikely event that the school has to close due to extreme weather conditions, we would inform parents by text of the arrangements. The safety of our children, parents and staff  is our priority.  [Image result for snowflake](http://www.google.com/url?sa=i&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=2ahUKEwit4uPJzc3YAhVGShQKHXX_DmsQjRx6BAgAEAY&url=http://www.mgwalk.org/snowflake/&psig=AOvVaw2lgl4jHBbmcXADtFT_lG0X&ust=1515680874085843) |
| **School Dates** |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 19th January 2018 | Y3/4 trip to Hands on History | | 23rd January 2018 | Y3/4 trip to Hands on History | | 9th February 2018 | Break up for Half Term | | 19th February 2018 | Back to school | | w/c 19th February 2018 | Y5 Bikeability | | 26th February 2018 | Parents Evening | | 27th February 2018 | Parents Evening | | 1st March 2018 | World Book Day | | 19th March 2018 | KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade | | 20th March 2018 | Easter Disco | | 21st March 2018 | FS Easter Bonnet Parade | | 22nd March 2018 | KS2 Egg Decorating | | 23rd March 2018 | Sports Relief/Break up for Easter | |
| **School Holiday Dates** |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Spring Term 2018 | School opens | Monday 8th January 2018 | | School closes for half term | Friday 9th February 2018 | | School opens | Monday 19th February 2018 | | School closes for Easter | Friday 23rd March 2018 | | Summer Term 2018 | School opens | Monday 9th April 2018 | | School Closed – MAY DAY | Monday 7th May 2018 | | School closes for half term | Friday 25th May 2018 | | School opens | Monday 4th June 2018 | | School closes for Summer | Friday 20th July 2018 | |  |  |  | |
|  | **School Holiday Dates 2018/19** |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Autumn Term 2018 | School opens | Wednesday 5th September 2018 | | School closes for half term | Friday 26th October 2018 | | School opens | Monday 5th November 2018 | | School closes for Christmas | Friday 21st December 2018 | | Spring Term 2019 | School opens | Tuesday 8th January 2019 | | School closes for half term | Friday 15th February 2019 | | School opens | Monday 25th February 2019 | | School Closes for the Easter Holiday | Friday 5th April 2019 | | Summer Term 2019 | School opens | Tuesday 23rd April 2019 | | School Closed – MAY DAY | Monday 6th May2019 | | School closes for half term | Friday 24th May 2019 | | School opens | Monday 3rd June 2019 | | Last Day of Term for pupils | Friday 19th July 2019 | |