

Paganel Newsletter

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Happy New Year to you all!

Here is hoping that 2020 will be a happy and healthy year for us all at Paganel. The Christmas holidays seemed to go very quickly. The children have been busy telling us about their holidays and what they got up to. At school this term our core values will continue to be our main drivers; Respect Enquire and Persevere. Ask you children how they are showing these in their school and home

Mrs Gingell
life.

Curriculum

Mrs Shutter and the class teachers have been working hard on designing the wider curriculum for the spring term. The plans looks great and the staff are really looking forward to delivering these with the children. You should have received your curriculum newsletter earlier this week. If you would like to have more information and detail on your child's curriculum for this term have a look on the school website under the curriculum tab.

Reading

This week lots more children received their yellow reading badges and we even had a few children who have earned their blue badge. Well done to everyone - we are so proud of you! Remember, to earn your reading badges you need to be reading regularly at home and your grown-ups need to sign your reading record - don't forget if you read on Bug Club it counts too!



Did you get lots of books for Christmas and now your old ones seem boring? Have you outgrown a few of your favourite stories? Do you just fancy something new to read? Don't worry - just bring an old book to school and swap it with something new to read in one of the book swap boxes!

Reading Breakfasts are back this half-term. Year 6 will be starting us off on Wednesday 15th January at 9am. We look forward to seeing lots of mums, dads, grandparents and carers there to celebrate the children's reading and enjoy a crosissant or two!

Attendance

Last term we had 4 children win the £50 attendance prize. At the end of each week children that have been in school for the whole week receive a golden sticker and a raffle ticket entry into the prize box. So if a child is in every day for the next half term they will have 6 raffle tickets in the prize box. On the last Friday of this half term two tickets will be drawn from the box. Children need to be in school every day to be in with the chance of winning.

HERO: Here Everyday Ready On time

Uniform

The children have looked really smart and proud this week in their uniforms. Please can we make sure that if children are wearing trainers they are black. Children should not wear nail varnish and bows in children's hair should be smaller than 5cm.

Attendance Figures

REG	This fortnight	Year to date	REG	This fortnight	Year to date
RA	85.2	88.1	3B	97.5	93.3
RB	79.4	89.6	4A	91.6	93.5
1A	93.0	94.3	4B	89.4	94.9
1B	96.3	93.9	5A	96.4	95.9
2A	94.9	95.9	5B	95.2	95.8
2B	96.8	96.0	6A	93.8	95.0
3A	91.8	94.1	6B	94.9	93.4

School Council

Our school council reps learnt more about their roles in the autumn term and discussed how they can represent their class in meetings.

They made suggestion boxes for their classes, where children can share their ideas.

The focus this term will be on fundraising for school funds as this came up a few times last term.

There will also be looking at lunchtime provision outside and equipment needed and looking at how to improve the school environment.

Paganel Food Bank

After Christmas, paying off the bills can be hard. Don't forget we now have our own food bank in school.



With support from **The Life House** charity in Selly Oak, we are now able to support more families here at Paganel. If you would like support from our **Food Bank**, you can either speak with your child's class teacher or come along to the school office and ask to **speak with Mrs Osman**.

If you would like to donate food, a list of items we would be grateful to receive is available at the office.

We would like to say a huge thank you to anyone who has made a donation to our food bank including 'Now Education', 'Zone C' and 'Aspens'. Staff at Paganel also decided not to take part in Secret Santa this year but instead donated to the

Paganel Food Bank. The generosity of all involved is helping us support more and more Paganel families.

Contact Details



Have you changed your phone over Christmas? If you have a new number, or if any other contact details have changed, please remember to update the school office so that we can amend our records.

Times Tables Rock Stars

At Paganel Primary School, we use an online program to help our children develop their multiplication and division skills: Times Tables Rock Stars.

All children in our school have a login and can access a variety of fun and engaging times tables games, and they can compete against other children in their class in competitions and activities. Children can create an avatar, which they can customise with their rewards. Login information is provided by class teachers and all children are actively encouraged to use the Times Tables Rock Stars website at home and at school. Mr Ball will be running a competition this term for children who regularly use the Times Tables Rock Stars website – more information will follow in the coming weeks.

As well as the website activities on Times Tables Rock Stars, in preparation for the new Year 4 multiplication test, Years 2-4 complete paper based Times Tables Rock Stars worksheets throughout each week. These paper based activities are also available to practise at home. Just ask your child's teacher if you would like an extra copy. Improvement in the children's times tables skills is celebrated in our weekly phase assemblies with the award of certificates for Rock Stars, Rock Legends and Rock Heroes.

Key Dates 2020

February Half Term	Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February		
Parents Evening	Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th February		
Last day of Spring Term	Friday, 3rd April		
Easter Holiday	Monday 6th April to Friday 17th April		
Children in school	Monday 20th April		
May Bank Holiday	FRIDAY 8th May		