



GRIFFE FIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
December 2018
NEWSLETTER



Staff News-We sadly say good bye to both Miss Coady and Mrs Ellis at the end of this week. Thank you both and good luck in the future. We are delighted that Mrs Coles is returning from her maternity leave ready for the new term.

Myself and staff would like to thank all parents who give their time to help in school. Your support and dedication make a real difference! Hearing readers, changing reading books, sewing, cooking, trips and swimming, some of which would not be able to happen without your support and teachers find your help in class invaluable. Thank you again.



Book Week is taking place the week we return in January.

- Whole school book activities relating to our focus book.
- Monday- Review a favourite book competition to be handed in for judging on Wednesday 9th January
- Francine from the school library service in assembly-Big Family Read information
- Wednesday-Author Billy Bob Buttons , FS and Key Stage 1 assembly and then workshops for Key Stage 2
- Thursday- Roving Book shop will be in school. Children can bring money in a named envelope or the book shop will be open until 4pm if you would like to visit as a family.
- Friday- Dress as a Book Character



Snowy, cold weather usually takes us by surprise! The decision to close is made between 7-7.10am. We then swoop into action to contact Radio Derby, try to send you a text message and change the answer machine message (Option 4). Please don't call the school answer machine before 7.30am as we need the line free to be able to change the message. If we can't access the line we can't change the message. We will only close the school if there is no other option.



Please check the lost property box as all items will be disposed of at the end of term.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE name **ALL** school uniform, including PE kits and coats. If it is named it is much easier for us to reunite you with it.



Reception 2019 applications for school places can be made online www.derby.gov.uk/primary or by telephone 642730

The deadline for applications (to the LA not school) is January 15th 2019.

Inset Days

INSET 2 Friday 1st Feb 2019

INSET 3 Monday 11th March 2019

INSET 4 Thursday 11th July

INSET 5 Friday 12th July

Please see the DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR overleaf as we have many opportunities for you to be involved in the life of the school and your child's education.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

'Family Assemblies' are held at 9.05am every Friday. Families and Friends of the school are always welcome. Presentations, such as Merit Awards, are made at Family Assemblies.

Wed 19th Dec	Reception Christmas show 9.30am
Fri 21st Dec	Break up for Christmas (normal time)
	Premier Sport holiday club (please see their website for details)
Mon 7th Jan	Spring term starts
Mon 7th-Fri 11th Jan	Book Week in school
Tues 8th Jan	Author visit for the children
Thurs 10th Jan	Roving Book Shop (open during the day for children and until 4pm for parents)
Fri 11th Jan	Book character Dressing Up Day ☺
Fri 18th Jan	3M Class Assembly
Tues 22nd Jan	World Religion Day
Tues 22nd Jan	Reception—Bedtime story evening
Thurs 24th Jan	FOG Film Night
Fri 25th Jan	4E Class Assembly
Fri 1st Feb	INSET 2 (SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN)
Fri 8th Feb	Year 6 Chinese New Year Assembly
Wed 13th Feb	SATs meeting Year 2 and 6 (FOR PARENTS ONLY) 5.30pm
Fri 15th Feb	2SR Class Assembly
Fri 1st March	Spring disco
Wed 6th March	Parents' Evening
Thurs 7th March	Parents' Evening



Best Wishes to you all for a Merry Christmas and a happy, peaceful 2019.



Please let us know if any of your contact details have changed including address, telephone number and mobiles.

