


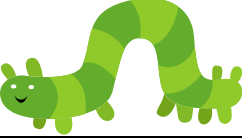

















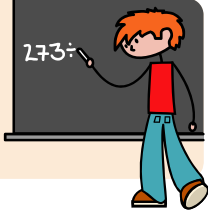






Federation Newsletter March 2010

Federation News

	<p>Christmas Questionnaire Thank you to all of the families who have sent in their questionnaire. I am collating the responses and will inform you on the outcome in due course.</p>
	<p>E-safety I hope that all of you who attended the talk on e-safety at the juniors found it informative. Attendance was disappointing, but e-safety is prominent in the news currently, so I hope everyone is learning about it. We shall be working with the children in school on how to use computers safely.</p>
	<p>Holi Day We will be celebrating Holi Day on Friday 12th March. If there are any parents who would be willing to come in and celebrate with us, please see your child's class teacher.</p>
	<p>Reading Workshop We hope you all enjoyed the reading workshop and working in school with your child. I will report back to parents when all the responses from the questionnaire have been collated.</p>
	<p>Easter Hat Parade We would love to see you all in school for the Easter Hat Parades. For dates and times, please read on. The Reception and Nursery classes will hold a 'Spring Sing' on Tuesday 30 March at 9.15am. Nursery classes will sing in the morning and afternoon. Reception and Nursery Easter Hat Parade will also take place on this day. Years 1 & 2 will be holding an Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday 31st March at 9.15am. Parents are, of course, invited to these. Children should come to school in a hat, preferably one they have made themselves. There will be a singsong and a prize draw for the Infants with an Easter egg for one child in each class. The Easter bunny will visit the Early Years classes. It should be fun – do come along.</p>
	<p>Hair bands Children with long hair should tie their hair back for school, as it decreases their chances of attracting many-legged visitors. Safety rules for PE requires all long hair to be tied back, so please make sure they have a hair band at school.</p>
	<p>Daffodils We are selling daffodil brooches at £1 each, to benefit the Marie Curie Cancer Care Charity; these are available from the Infant school office.</p>
	<p>Yes please! Yes please! We are glad to accept, Tesco Vouchers, Sainsbury Vouchers and Nestle Box Tops. They give us useful resources. Thank you, Cathy and Pat for counting them all for us. Woodcote Nursery in Wallington is again offering 25p vouchers for every £10 spent – all you have to do is ask for them at the till!</p>
	<p>Asthma Medication Can all parents whose children use an inhaler please check with the office (or class teacher if they attend the Nursery) that they are in date. Thank you.</p>

	<p>Chickenpox We have a number of cases of Chickenpox in school. Please inform the school if your child catches this so that we can inform other families.</p>
	<p>Arts Week From Monday 26th to Friday 30th April we will be holding an 'Arts Week' across the Federation. We welcome friends and families to help with special events and hope that some will volunteer. If you are a keen musician, artist or dancer we would love to hear from you. Please come into school and ask for Mrs Edwards. Thank you.</p>
	<p>The Eggs are hatching! The eggs arrived in Reception classes last week and have hatched into delightful chicks. Do ask come in for a visit!</p>
	<p>Goodbye We will be saying goodbye to Miss Clay on Friday 5th March when she goes on maternity leave. We look forward to seeing her new baby very soon! Miss Clay will be returning to us in September.</p>
	<p>Keeping us Up-to-Date Please remember to ring us as early as possible on the day if your child is ill or not able to attend school for any reason. It is also very important to let us know of any changes to your contact details, in case we have to contact you in an emergency.</p>
	<p>World Book Day We will be celebrating World Book Day with various events around the school. I hope you will encourage your children to design a book jacket, which we look forward to seeing in school.</p>
	<p>Play Campaign Sutton is involved with a national campaign to encourage families to enjoy playing together. To support this, we are holding a Traditional Playground Games Week from 22nd March. We want parents and/or grandparents to come in and teach children those great games we all used to plkay when we were little.</p>
<h2>Robin Hood Infants News</h2>	
	<p>Open Afternoon and Evening Open afternoon and evening will be held on Tuesday 24th March (3.30-5pm) and Wednesday 25th March (5.30 -8.30pm).</p>
	<p>Forthcoming Events Year 2 children will be competing at Greenshaw High School in a Benchball competition. Benchball is an energetic ball game, so expect them to be tired! This will be after school on 10th March, and Mr Churcher will let you know if your child is on the team.</p>
	<p>Attendance As you know it is part of my job to make sure that children attend school regularly and on time. I write to any parent whose child's attendance falls below 85%. Attendance at this level is the same as a child having almost one day off every week, and so is bound to cause concern. I include in the letter a computer printout of the child's registration record, so parents can see for themselves how the concerns have arisen.</p>

	<p>Hospital Gowns A big thank you to all the families who sent in t-shirts for 'Operation Smile'. We had a tremendous response and decorated and sent more than 100!</p>
	<p>Quantum Theatre The children enjoyed the performance enormously and gained a lot of information from it. It was an entertaining play aimed at encouraging everyone to walk to school – even if it rains!</p>
	<p>Clubs Last Monday multi-skills/football and dance clubs are on Monday 22nd March Last tennis club is on Tuesday 30th March. There is no tennis club on Tuesday 23rd March because it is parents' afternoon. Last choir practice of the term is Wednesday 24th March Last gym club is on Thursday 25th March Last Friday multi-skills club is on Friday 26th March</p>
<h2>Thomas Wall News</h2>	
	<p>Nursery Writing Workshop We will be holding a Writing Workshop for Nursery parents on the morning of Tuesday 30 March (for Tadpoles and Ladybirds) and the afternoon of Tuesday 30 March after the Spring Sing (for Caterpillars and Butterflies). Morning Spring sing will start at 9.15am followed by a Writing Workshop for Nursery parents only. The afternoon Spring sing will start at 1.45pm followed again by the Writing Workshop. Reception and Nursery children will have their Easter Hat Parade also on this day. A letter will be sent out nearer the time.</p>
	<p>Lateness I am still concerned at the number of children who are frequently late for school. Children don't enjoy being late because they miss some of the session and this leaves them unsure of what to do and is very unsettling for them. Please also ensure that you pick your child up on time – 11.30 or 3pm.</p>
	<p>Parent Consultations Parent consultations for children who started in the Nursery in January, will take place on Tuesday 23 March, 3.15 – 5pm. Please see the class teacher for an appointment. A parents evening for all parents will be held next term so you can discuss your child's progress before transfer to Infants.</p>
	<p>Tissues We would be very grateful if you could bring in a box of tissues, we use so many during these winter months.</p>
	<p>Spare Clothes We would be very grateful for any spare jogger bottoms and tops to fit 5 year olds - we have lots of tall children!</p>

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 2 nd March	Dragonflies Parent Support Group 9 – 11.30 a.m.
Tuesday 2 nd March	Rainforest Creatures to visit Year 2
Tuesday 2 nd March	Rabbits Parents Afternoon
Friday 5 th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 10 th March	Rabbits parents to meet new teacher 3.15pm
Thursday 11 th March	Termly Governors Meeting
Friday 12 th March	Celebration of Holi Day (Hindu Festival of Spring)
Thursday 18 th March	Safer Neighbourhood Team to visit classes to explain their work
Friday 19 th March	Theatre Visit for Years 1 and 2 Indiana Bones Golden Books to go home to RHI families
Tuesday 23 rd March	Dragonflies Parent Support Group 9 – 11.30 a.m.
Tuesday 23 rd March	RHI Parents Afternoon & for January entrants to Nursery
Wednesday 24 th March	RHI Parents Evening
Tuesday 30 th March	Nursery & Reception Spring Sing
Tuesday 30 th March	Nursery Writing Workshop
Tuesday 30 th March	Easter Hat Parade for Nursery and Reception
Wednesday 31 st March	Year 1 & 2 Easter Hat Parade
Thursday 1 st April	Last day – schools close early – 1.45pm for RHI and 2pm for Nursery
Tuesday 27 th April	Music Festival at Westbourne for Year 2 children
Wednesday, 28 th April	Dragonflies Parent Support Group 9 – 11.30 a.m.
Thursday 20 th May	Class photographs
Thursday 10 th June	Year1s to the Maritime Museum (<i>details to follow</i>)
Tuesday 22 nd June	Reception classes to the Horniman Museum (<i>details to follow</i>)
Thursday 24 June	Tadpoles and Caterpillars classes to the Horniman Museum (<i>details to follows</i>)
Friday 25 June	Ladybirds and Butterflies classes to the Horniman Museum (<i>details to follow</i>)

School Term Dates 2010 to 2011

Summer Term 2010	First Day	Monday 19 th April
	Last Day	Friday 23 rd July
	Half Term	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June
	Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May
Autumn Term 2010	First Day	Wednesday 1 st September
	Last Day	Friday 17 th December
	Half Term	Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th October
Spring Term 2011	First Day	Tuesday 4 th January
	Last Day	Friday 8 th April
	Half Term	Monday 21 st – Friday 25 th February
Summer Term 2011	First Day	Tuesday 26 th April
	Last Day	Friday 22 nd July
	Half Term	Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June

INSET days for remainder of academic year 2009/2010:

Monday 19th April and Monday 7th June

Please note that INSET days are not yet set for academic year 2010/2011. These will be published in the July newsletter. INSET days are not extra holidays for children; the term dates are set with five holiday dates missing, so that schools can choose their own INSET days to suit the school training needs.

Check out our federation websites!

<http://www.robinhood-infants.co.uk/>

<http://www.thomaswall.sutton.sch.uk/>