



Newsletter

Friday 10th February 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here is the news from Silver Tree Primary School for the first two weeks in February.

Money in school

Please make sure that your child doesn't bring any money into school that is **not** for school dinners or trips. We have had some children trying to buy Pokemon cards from each other. This causes distress for children when the exchange doesn't go the way they had planned or hoped. This can take a lot of time from staff to deal with these matters when it can be solved by not allowing it in school. – Thank you for your support in this.



Head lice

We have had more than the usual number of head lice cases reported this week. As a school we are unable to treat your children's hair. Please make sure that you **check your child's head over the weekend** and treat if necessary!

Please make sure that **all** children with hair that is longer than shoulder length have their hair tied back.



Attendance and sickness

Thank you to all those parents who contact school to let us know when your child is sick.

We ask that parents inform us daily of your child's absence. This is to help us safeguard your child. We cannot assume that they are still sick the next day especially if they walk to school by themselves as accidents do happen and if school assumed that the child was at home sick, and parents assume they have arrived at school..... then a child may have come to harm and we do not know about it.



Just a reminder that we expect attendance to be above 96% for all pupils.

Appearance for school

Just a reminder that we do not allow pupils to have brightly coloured hair for school. It is also school policy that children wear black shoes or black trainers for school – thank you.



Well done Year 4!

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98%	97%	98%	94%	99% 	92%	93%

Online safety



This week we have been doing a lot of work on teaching the children how to be safe online. The local PCSO's came in to school and spoke to classes about the dangers of the internet and social media. There were lots of positive discussions held during the week. However it come to light that some children were playing games that we inappropriate for their age e.g. playing 18 rated games and some were unsure of the dangers of social media.

As parent's we often won't let our children play out in the dark, or play near roads as we know this is dangerous. But the world of the internet can be just as dangerous if we do not know who are children are talking to online. There are some helpful tips on our school website on how to adjust settings on your devices and other online safety info under the 'Parents' section and then 'Online Safety.'

Year 4 had a great time on Thursday participating in a gymnastics carousel.



Term dates 2017/2018

For term dates for this academic year please check the school website

Holiday	Closing Date	Date School Re-open's for Teaching Purposes
Summer 2017	Thursday 20th July 2017	Tuesday 5th September 2017
Autumn Half Term 2017	Friday 20th October 2017	Monday 30th October 2017
Christmas 2017	Friday 22nd December 2017	Tuesday 9th January 2018
Spring Half Term 2018	Friday 9th February 2018	Monday 19th February 2018
Easter 2018	Thursday 29th March 2018	Monday 16th April 2018
Summer Half Term 2018	Friday 25th May 2018	Monday 4th June 2018
Summer 2018	Thursday 19th July 2018	TBC

Many thanks for all your continued support,

Mrs Maughan

Acting Head Teacher