



Grands Vaux Primary School

Headteacher: Miss Maria McCool

Monday, 19 February 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back, I hope you had a restful ½ term.

Knitting Club:

Unfortunately the first knitting club session had to be delayed, the new start date is Tuesday 20th February, which is tomorrow. Initially this will be a yr 6 group and then I plan on working my way through the sign up list. Permission letters for those children in the first cohort will come home today. Please return these as soon as possible.

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Parental Questionnaire:

Thank you to those who returned the questionnaires – we had a return rate of 24%. The vast majority were extremely positive. Those very few returns that did indicate disagree or strongly disagree have provided feedback that we will review and consider when striving for continued improvements. If you do wish to complete the questionnaire and haven't been able to do so yet, it will be available from the school office area on the website. This will be a word document that you can save, complete and return to admin@grandsvaux.sch.je. Or you can submit a paper copy. Your views are important, if you haven't completed the questionnaire please do, as this is an opportunity for you to let us know your thoughts.



Up and Coming School Dates for your diary:

1. Thursday 1st and Thursday 8th March – Parents Evening – 3.15-5.15, with options to arrange different times with class teachers by mutual agreement.
2. Open Day – this has previously been held in the Summer term but we would like to move it to the Spring term. It is going to be held on Wednesday 14th March. It will be held over two sessions 1-3pm and then an evening session 5-6.30pm.

Please check the events calendar on the website for additional dates.

Paper copy letters:

There are two sets of paper copy letters coming home – these are not for all children.

1. The after school Sports Club letter explains what is on offer for children in yr1-6 this ½ term.
2. Yr 4, 5 and 6 trip letters – these outline dates, costings and confirmation deadlines.

Consent forms:

Almost all the consent forms are in, however we do have a few outstanding – please can you make sure you return the VEO: (*Video Enhanced Observation*) and the Acceptable User Policy (AUP) consent forms. If you need additional copies these can be obtained from the office or the school website. Thank you to all those families who had already returned the forms.



Variety Club:

The theme for the heart pin badges is Sherlock Gnomes. These will be available at the office for £1.

Road Safety:

A parent has been in touch to raise concerns about footpaths and pavements not being used. If you do have access to or the option to use a pavement or footpath, please do so, this is much safer than walking along the road.



Drop off arrangements reminder:

Double parking has been raised as a concern, particularly at the end of the day. Please do not double park, the road is not wide enough to allow cars to continue to circulate and this has recently caused a backlog onto the main road. Most drivers do follow the Stop and Drop arrangements correctly, using the allocated spaces for this system. Cars must exit via the mini roundabout. Thank you very much for your support with parking, I know this can be a very stressful time, if we work together and use the system correctly the start and end of day will run smoothly.



We would encourage as many families as possible to walk to school and ask that if you do need to park, please park in the car park and not in the 'stop and drop' zone.

PTA:

The PTA would appreciate any additional members. Please see Mrs Serinet, Miss Bree, Mrs Da Silva and Mrs Rondel.

Website:

Please remember that whole school events, Key Stage events, football and netball fixtures are uploaded to the events calendar on our school website. We also add photos and news updates on a regular basis, so far this term there have been 16 events with photographs uploaded. Please take a look: <http://www.grandsvaux.sch.je/>. There will be more to come. Parents and carers are encouraged to leave comments, the children would appreciate feedback on all their hard work.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries, concerns or there is anything I can do to help and support you with your child's learning and school life. All at Grands Vaux Primary School are committed to the well-being of your child/ren so if we can help please let us know.

Kind regards



Miss Maria McCool – Headteacher