



Newsletter

January 2016

Happy New Year to you all.

Everyone has settled back well after the excitement at the end of last term. Pupils who went to see Aladdin at Derby or stayed in school to enjoy a sensory production with Bamboozle Theatre Company had a really wonderful day.

The two Carol Concerts were particularly well attended by parents/carers as was the Staff Panto. I hope you all enjoyed them as much as we did.

Lynn Slinger

School Closures

I am really sorry that we had to close the school to pupils yesterday, due to a heating breakdown. It is not a decision that is taken easily, as I know how inconvenient it is for you and upsetting for your children.

The heating had been off for a long time over the weekend and it was far too cold for the pupils to be in school. Staff, however, did work through the day wearing their hats, coats and scarves.

In the event of any emergency closure of the school you will be contacted by a text message which will be sent to the person who is listed as the No. 1 contact.

An announcement will also be broadcast by Radio Leicester.

New Pupils

We would like to welcome the following new pupils and their families to Forest Way.

Emilio Pourgouri has joined Acorns 1 and Noah Craven has joined Acorns 3.

We hope they will all be very happy at Forest Way.

Twitter



We now also have a Twitter account which you can view on the home page of the school website. If you have a Twitter account you can follow us @ForestWaySchool. Please feel free to mention us

Parents/Carers' meetings

The next meeting will be held at Forest Way on Tuesday 2 February at 1.30 p.m.

Karen Smith, a Sleep Co-ordinator/Practitioner from Northamptonshire Sleep Solutions, will be attending the meeting to give a presentation on sleeping problems in children and will give help and advice to you.

All parents/carers are welcome to attend but it would be appreciated if you could complete the slip at the end of this newsletter to let us know if you are coming, so we can arrange for an appropriate sized room to be available.

Art Day

We are having an art day on 4 March. If any of you have any hidden talents and could help with workshops and activities please let us know.

If any of you have any spare knitting wool, fabrics or craft materials you would like to donate to the school, we would be very grateful.

Family Disco

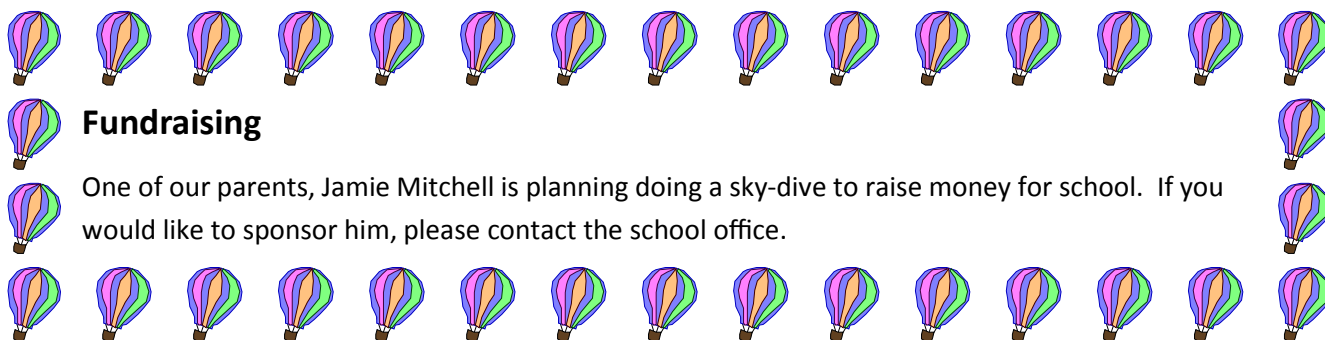
This term's disco will be held on Thursday 11 February between 6.00 and 7.30 p.m. This disco is for pupils, their brothers and/or sisters but parents /carers do need to stay with them. Refreshments will be available to purchase on the evening but there is no charge for this event.

Please complete the attached slip and return it to school to let us know if you are coming.

Packed Lunches

If your son/daughter brings a packed lunch to school, can you please not send in fizzy drinks or 'Sports' drinks.

Thank you.



Fundraising

One of our parents, Jamie Mitchell is planning doing a sky-dive to raise money for school. If you would like to sponsor him, please contact the school office.

Special Come and Try School Dinners Menu

On Thursday 21 January the school kitchen is preparing a special menu to tempt pupils into trying school dinners.

The menu is:

Pork Sausages or Vegetarian Sausage

Chips

Baked Beans

A fresh salad selection will also be available.

Ice Cream and Fruit Sauce

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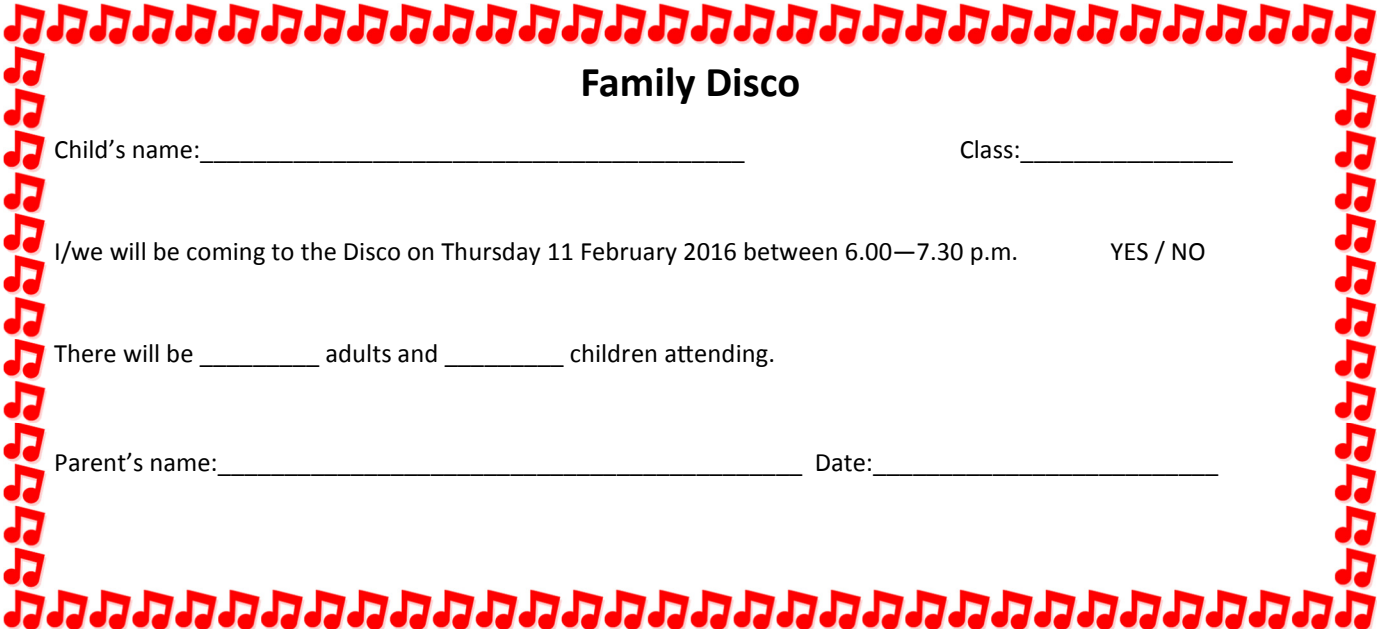
Fruit or Yogurt



If your son/daughter usually has a school meal you need do nothing. If your son/daughter usually has a packed lunch but would like to have a school meal on Thursday please send £2.15 in a clearly named envelope marked school dinner. If your son/daughter is entitled to free school meals you do not need to send any money.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 2 February	Parents/Carers' meeting - 1.30 p.m.
Friday 4 February	Chinese New Year Workshops
Thursday 11 February	Family Disco – 6.00 – 7.30 p.m.
Monday 15 – Friday 19 February	Half term holiday
Tuesday 1 March	Parents/Carers' Meeting – 1.30 p.m.
Friday 4 March	Art Day
Friday 11 March	Spring Workshops
Monday 21 to Thursday 24 March	Residential for some pupils to The Wingate Centre
Thursday 24 March	Break up for Easter holiday
Monday 11 April	Summer Term starts
Monday 2 May	May Day holiday
Tuesday 3 May	Parents/Carers' meeting – 1.30 p.m.
Thursday 26 May	Parents/Carers' Evening 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.
Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June	Half term holiday
Wednesday 8 June	Rotary Club Kids Out to Drayton Manor Park / Bamboozle Theatre Company in school
Thursday 7 July	Leavers' Celebration - 6.30 – 8.30 p.m.
Friday 15 July	Break up for Summer holiday
Tuesday 30 August	Autumn Term starts



Family Disco

Child's name: _____

Class: _____

I/we will be coming to the Disco on Thursday 11 February 2016 between 6.00—7.30 p.m. YES / NO

There will be _____ adults and _____ children attending.

Parent's name: _____ Date: _____



Art Day

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

I would like to help at the Art Day on Friday 4 March 2016: YES / NO

I am able to help in the morning. YES / NO

I am able to help in the afternoon YES / NO

I am able to help all day YES / NO

Parent's name: _____ (Please print) Date: _____



Parents/Carers Meeting

Child's name: _____

I/We will be attending the Parents/Carers' meeting on Tuesday 2 February 2016. YES / NO

There will be _____ adults attending.

Parent's name: _____ (Please print) Date: _____