

## ***Newsletter – Friday, 29 March 2019***

Dear Parents / Carers,

### **Mothers' Day Assembly**

Well done penguin class for a superb Mothers' Day assembly this morning. You reminded us all about the special people who take care of us and how important it is to remember to say thank you. The children performed superbly, with clear, loud speaking and beautiful singing and dancing. We are all very proud of the penguins.



### **Book Week and Library Opening**

We hope to see you all at the library opening on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** in the infant playground after school. Join us for free tea and cakes and to take a look at our wonderful new library. Duncan Beedie will be there to do book signings and his books will be available to purchase. As part of the 'book week' celebrations, we will be supporting the Victoria Park foodbank, **remember to bring donations for the foodbank into school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April**. Thank you.

On **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April** there will be a special **Easter assembly by Year 2**. At this assembly we will also be handing out prizes for book week. You are all invited to join us for this assembly at 9:10am.

### **'New Look' School Website**

We have re-launched our school website to make it more up to date and user friendly. We hope very much that you will find it easier to use and that you will be able to find all the information that you need. Please take time to explore the website and 'check-in' on a regular basis. Thank you to Mrs Fletcher who has put a lot of time and care into making these improvements and done a brilliant job!



### **School Twitter Account**

In order to share the many interesting things that are happening in school, we have opened a twitter account. It will enable us to instantly share photos and information as it happens in school. We plan to use the twitter account for the first time during book week so please follow us. The # is @Ashton\_Vale\_P

### **The Parents guide to Childhood Anxiety**

We have been sent a link from the co-editor of mental health supporting educational guides, featured in the Guardian and the Telegraph. With featured advice and resources from The Children's Society, they have written this expert guide for parents to help children understand, cope and become strengthened by their experiences of anxiety at a young age. Please see the link on the front page of our website for more information.



## PTA Events

On Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 10am-12, Ashton Vale Community Centre will be holding an Easter themed arts & crafts hub and café and the PTA have been offered the opportunity to have a cake stall at the event to raise funds for the school.

We have enough volunteers to run the stall but would be very grateful if parents/carers could kindly donate some cakes (especially homemade ones as they always sell well). Donations can be brought to the school on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April, or alternatively can be dropped off at the event on the Sunday. If you wish to have any containers returned, please mark them with your child's name and we will get them back to you asap. Look forward to seeing those of you who can make it, it should be a really lovely morning.

PTA Easter disco is next Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April - money and permission slips should be returned to the office no later than Monday. **The Disco starts at 5.30pm and ends 7pm**

## Attendance League Table

Position	Class	Attendance
1	Falcon	97%
2	Penguin	96.5%
3	Blue Jay	96%
4	Crow	95%
5	Kingfisher	92.4%
6	Flamingo	92.1%
7	Flamingo	92%
Average		94.4%

**Absence Tel: 0117 9030383**

## Dates for the diary

### Dates:

Week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> April

Book Week

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Official Library Opening with Duncan Beedie

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Dressing Up Day Book Characters

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Year 2 Easter Assembly (This is a change of date)

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Year 4 Visit to SS Great Britain

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Year 3 visit to Wild Places

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April

PTA Easter Disco 5.30pm – 7pm

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Book Week Celebration Assembly (Parents Welcome)

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Last Day of Term

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Beginning of Term 5

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April

Class photos 1pm

Yours sincerely,

James Hollis,  
Head Teacher

