



Spring Term 2014

Tuesday 7th January 2014

# Horse Chestnut Class Newsletter

Welcome back! I hope you had a fantastic Christmas and may I wish you all a belated happy new year.

PE this half term will be on Tuesday afternoons and Friday afternoons. Initially lessons will be inside but, as the term progresses, some lessons will be outside so please ensure your child has trainers and outdoor kit in their PE bag. We may be having some PE lessons taught by PE teachers from the Bury Schools Partnership throughout the term so it would be helpful if your child could have their PE kit in school all week, just in case of timetable changes.

Mrs. Lamb will cover my PPA time this half

term, on a Wednesday afternoon, and will be teaching the children art and DT. Our timetable for the coming term is overleaf for your information.

Cookery club continues this term on a Tuesday lunchtime. Children taking part will receive a confirmation letter prior to the commencement of their sessions. Please ensure all monies are paid prior to your child's sessions to allow the ingredients to be purchased in advance of the sessions.

Please note that the third instalment for the Walnutree manor trip is due by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2014 with the fourth and final instalment of £20 due by Friday

14<sup>th</sup> February 2014. Your cooperation with ensuring that the payments are made by the due date would be greatly appreciated to save unnecessary time sending out reminders.

There will be a whole school enrichment day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March based around the Jewish festival of Purim. More details will follow nearer the time.

There will be a formal parents' evening towards the end of this term but, as always, if you have any concerns about your child in the meantime please do not hesitate to speak to me either before or after school or ring the office to arrange a mutually convenient appointment time.

## This term in brief:

**Numeracy:** properties of numbers, addition & subtraction, shape, fractions, division & multiplication, measures, problem solving.

**Literacy:** Grammar, newspaper reports, stories from a different culture, stories from historical settings, diary entries

**History:/geography**  
The Romans, The Greeks,

**Science:** magnets and springs, friction, solids & liquids

**Music:** cornet/ baritone

**PE:** Gym, dance, rugby, basketball

**RE:** Judaism

**PSHE:** The effects of tobacco and alcohol

**French:** days of the week, character descriptions, the family, prepositions.

**ICT :** drawing with ICT; Powerpoint

