



FEATURE

Equality Essentials



One of our missions as a school is to support children in developing their understanding of equality: the right of every individual to equal treatment and opportunities, regardless of factors like gender, race and social position. Through making explicit curricular links to the British Values of *tolerance* and *mutual respect*, and through teaching children in an age appropriate way about the 9 protected characteristics of the Equality Act 2010, we aim to nurture them to become happy and well balanced citizens who learn to respect others, celebrate diversity and recognise prejudice and discrimination. In doing this, we hope to develop young people who are able to empathise with others, speak out on issues related to equality, and who grow up with a desire to address disadvantages and make society fairer. Our RSHE curriculum plays a major part in this mission, with carefully chosen

stories providing context for the children to develop empathy and understanding for different groups within our society. This is backed up by a rich diet of assemblies and (age appropriate) class discussions.

Questions considered this term have included, 'What is the gender pay gap?' , 'What is it like to be a boy or girl at our school?', 'What does it mean to get married?' , ' Has everyone always been able to get married?' and What does it mean to be anti-racist?'



DIARY DATES

Wed 2nd—Y2 Great Fire of London Experience

Mon 7th—Swimming lessons start for Y4R

Tue 8th—Y4 cycle training. MUGA
National Safer Internet Day

Wed 9th—Swimming lessons start for Y4D

Fri 11th - Charity bake sale after school

Mon 14th - Fri 18th - HALF TERM BREAK

Mon 21st - INSET DAY - school closed

Mon 28th - PTA online nutrition night

Save the Date

The PTA Easter Egg Hunt will run on Sunday 20th March. Further details to follow soon.



PTA Nutrition Night

Kate Wall, one of our parents, is a Registered Nutritionist. She has offered to run an online 'Nutrition Night' event on Monday 28th February at which she will aim to debunk some common nutrition myths and talk about how to achieve a healthy diet. The cost will be £5 per ticket, with proceeds going to the PTA.

If anyone has a query, they can email the PTA email address:

pta@totley.sheffield.sch.uk

Please see the accompanying flyer for booking details.

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BULLETIN BOARD

Y4 Swimming

Our Y4 children are about to start their swimming lessons with the Sheffield Schools Swimming Service at Graves Pool. The lessons will take place on a weekly basis until just about the end of the summer term and will cater for swimmers of all abilities. We know they will show great attitudes, work hard and have fun!

Charity Bake Sale

Three of our junior children, Chloe E, Jack B and Maddie, are going to hold a bake sale in order to raise money for the Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice.

This will take place outside the Phiz Lab on Friday 11th February straight after school. Thanks in advance for your support for what should be a sweet end to the half term!



Message from Mr Paxman

After a tricky start to the year which has been affected by unprecedented levels of COVID absence among pupils and staff, it feels brilliant to have the dark days of January behind us! As more daylight creeps into each morning and evening, we are all hopeful that we can look forward to brighter times in every sense. I must again say a huge thank you to the commitment of our brilliant staff team. That the children have continued to have smooth running routines, that the curriculum has continued to be taught well and that school has still felt like a positive and nurturing environment is testament to their totally unyielding dedication to doing a great job.

I sincerely hope that the upcoming half term break offers you and your families the opportunity to have some valuable time for rest and relaxation!