



# Newsletter



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## Spring Term - February 17th, 2017

### Disco

Great disco this week! It was lovely to see the children all dressed up in their disco clothes and having fun with each other. Thank you to all those who helped out with the preparation and on the night. It is very much appreciated. These events would not happen without your help and it's all to benefit the children. I know they want to say thank you too -- THANK YOU!!! Total amount raised was £207!! We shall let you know what is purchased or what we are aiming towards for your children through the PTA fundraising.



### Fire talk

The fire service were in school this week talking to the older children about the dangers of grass fires and the impact they have on homes, animals, etc. There was a clear message to stay away from people who make deliberate attempts to start fires. They were shown the consequences if they were to get into trouble with the police. They listened well and we hope they told you all about it.



### Head lice

Just keep checking. The pesky things arrive when they want!! A real nuisance!



### Happy half term

We have had a very busy half term and it is clear that the children are tired and in need of a break! Let's hope they recharge their batteries and they can have some quality time at home with you. Have fun all!



### Sumdog

The children have been asking to start up the sumdog competitions again. We've set one up for the half term for years 1 to 6. It will run from after school tomorrow until we come back to school on Tuesday Feb 28th. Good luck boys and girls! Parents - in case you don't know sumdog is a maths game that pupils can play on the internet and they play against pupils in the school. There are no risks of communication with unknown persons.

## Parking

From experience, car parking outside schools always causes a problem! There is no magic wand to solve this problem so we all have to be mindful of how our actions can cause others to become distressed. Nobody likes to be upset surely, so let's work together on this one please! We need to be mindful of the following:-

**Residents parking only** - that's for those with permits and you can get booked if you park within this space. Residents are able to take photographs to report those who park there without a permit. They have paid for this privilege so their cars are outside their houses. Residents wouldn't deliberately park in places to make things awkward for us so we should give the same respect and understanding.

**Other street parking** - signs outside houses are for information. Although they are displayed by the residents, and not by the council or police, if you see the sign, you will be aware that someone lives at that house who is disabled and needs close access to their home. It means they have difficulty walking any distance. Out of courtesy and empathy we should take this into account. Please have sympathy with these people who are unable to enjoy good health.

**Staff parking** - staff often have boxes of books and large heavy bags of work that they need to take home as part of their job. It is understandable that they look to park as close to the school as possible. Those who don't have much to carry are aware of the situation and take this into consideration when they park.

**Parent parking** - parents will take on the same consideration when parking close to the school. If you have good health and you are able to walk a short distance please leave the spaces close to the school for those who are unable to walk due to ill health.

One view to take is ... be healthy ... consider it as good exercise! Burns off the calories!!

## Diary Dates

<b>Feb 27th</b>	INSET day - teacher training day. No children in school.
<b>Feb 28th</b>	Children start back to school Pancake day!!! - Shrove Tuesday
<b>March 1st</b>	St. David's day
<b>March 6th</b>	Estyn inspectors receive the school's plans for school development. Year 4 - Tag rugby
<b>March 9th</b>	Rugby and netball matches at Llandarcy
<b>March 13th</b>	years 5&6 - workshops to educate pupils about racism - Show Racism the Red Card.
<b>March 23rd</b>	Rugby and netball matches at Llandarcy
<b>March 27th</b>	Year 4 Tag rugby
<b>April 5th</b>	Easter bonnet parade Easter bingo
<b>April 7th</b>	Last day in school - Easter holidays!!