



## PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

No 2 – 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

### GRAND OPENING!!!



On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October, we would like to invite you into school in the afternoon to celebrate our opening as a new academy within the Preston Hedge's Academy Trust. We will have a couple of songs from the school choir and cut the ribbon at 1.30pm outside at the rear of the school, and then there will be activities and refreshment available for you all in your child's class. We are hoping to have a couple of visitors in school to make the afternoon even more special and have the newspaper there to take some pictures and document the event! We look forward to seeing you all at 1.30pm!

### GOLDEN TIES



As part of the new reward systems that we are putting in place in the school, each year I will ask the teachers in Year 3 and above for the names of a boy and a girl from their class who demonstrate excellent behaviour, attitude to learning and all round disposition towards other pupils and adults. These pupils will receive a golden tie to wear for an academic year, which shows everyone what excellent role models they are.

Really well done to the 16 children chosen for this year, who will receive their golden ties in a special assembly next Friday! To impress so much in a matter of weeks is a huge achievement, and we are all very proud of you!



## PARENTS' EVE

This term is already moving very fast, and Parents' Evening is already on the horizon.

The dates that are planned are the Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> of October. All classes will be available on both nights, and you will be able to book your slots through ParentMail from next Monday.

There are 2 sessions available on each evening: from 3.30 – 5.00pm and from 6 – 8 pm. If you need to see Mrs Arden, or myself or Mr McDonald on one of those evenings, please contact the school office and we'll arrange some times.

We look forward to seeing you.

## CORRESPONDENCE & HOMEWORK

Alongside ParentMail, all letters will be available on the website for 2 weeks after they have been sent out under the Parent/ Correspondence tab. We will send out letters on Friday as the 'Communication Day' unless there is an urgent need to get a letter to you on a different day.

Homework is also available on the website (your child should still get a paper copy) so you can keep updated with the homework that your child receives and when it is due in.

## PTA

Our fantastic PTA is already planning lots of lovely events to fundraise for your children. The first is a Mufti Day on 19<sup>th</sup> October, followed by a Halloween Disco on 30<sup>th</sup> October. They will be sending details out to you all very soon.

## PARKING

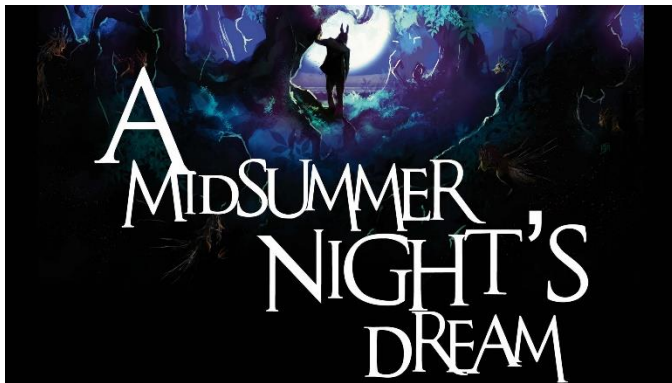
Could I just remind everyone that the road outside does get very busy on a morning and afternoon, and to park your car responsibly and according to motoring laws.



## PLACC

PLACC have told me that they have spaces available in school holidays and on Teacher Training Days. If you are interested in a space for your child, please give them a call on 01604 495937.

## SHAKESPEARE WEEK



Just a reminder to keep your eye on Twitter for the week beginning the 1<sup>st</sup> October as we launch into our Shakespeare Week!

## PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to so many of you for completing the parent questionnaire. I appreciate that much of this was based on last year, but that is perfect as it helps us to make sure that, this year, we are working on the elements that are important to you as we want to get it right for the children.

We are currently going through them all and I'll be able to let you know the areas of our focus on my next newsletter.

## BEHAVIOUR POLICY

As part of the Preston Hedge's Academy Trust, we follow the Trust's behaviour policy. You can find this on the website under 'Policies' at the bottom of the page.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September – 12.15pm and 4.30 pm – Phonics, Handwriting & Tapestry for Reception Parents

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September – 12.15 – Repeat of Phonics, Handwriting & Tapestry for Reception parents

Wb 1<sup>st</sup> October – Shakespeare Week

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October – from 1.30pm – the grand opening!

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Parents' Evening

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – MUFTI Day and close of term.

Our teachers are really getting into Twitter! Here's a few pics from the past week!

Have a lovely weekend!!

Year 2's incredible 3D Art!:





Year 4 Macro Art – what amazing skills!



Year 3 having lots of fun and getting creative by making giant peaches



