



Snowsfields News

At Snowsfields we learn and succeed together

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4th September 2015



Important Dates

7 th September	Parents Meetings from 3.40pm
22 nd October	International Evening
26 th -30 th October	School Closed - Half Term
16 th November	Parent & Pupil Review Meetings
14 th and 15 th December	KS1 Christmas Show
18 th December	Break Up

Welcome back

It is always exciting to return to school and welcome back the children and staff after the Summer holidays. We hope you had a lovely break. We continue to keep our expectations high so that Snowsfields will continue to improve. We look forward to working in partnership with all our families so that we can achieve the best outcomes for all our children.

Thank you for all your support.

Home School Agreement and Contact Details



Attached are your contact details we hold in school. Please check these are correct and return any changes to the office. Also, please read, sign and return the attached Home School Agreement.

Please inform the school office of any changes in collection arrangements for your child. If your child goes home by themselves, please let us know in writing and inform us who will be at home on their arrival.

Parents Meetings

There will be a chance for you to come in and talk to your child's new teacher on **Monday 7th September at 3.40pm or 4.00pm**. The teacher will explain their expectations and give you information on the learning for this year. The meeting will only last for about 20 minutes.

There are two times, so that you can visit different classes if you have more than one child in the school. If you have more than one child you will need to see each teacher as the information you will receive will be different. Please let your child's teacher know if you are unable to attend and arrange an alternative time to meet. The EYFS team will arrange to meet you later, after the children have settled.



Term dates for 2015-2016

Autumn Term

Thursday 3rd September – Friday 23rd October 2015

Half term - 26th October –30th October 2015

Monday 2nd Nov – Friday 18th December 2015

Spring Term

Tuesday 5th January – Friday 12th February 2016

Half term - 15th February –19th February 2016

Monday 22nd February – Thursday 24th March 2016

Summer Term

Tuesday 12th April – Friday 27th May 2016

Half term – May 30th - 3rd June 2016

Monday 6th June – Friday 15th July 2016

INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED

Monday 4th January

Monday 11th April

COURSES FOR PARENTS

Blackfriars Settlement is a local community organisation providing a range of daytime courses for adults.

They are offering the following:

ESOL (English for speakers of other languages) – September 2015

Working with Children, Level 1 Course

Further information is available on our noticeboard or on their website:

<http://www.blackfriars-settlement.org.uk/>

Year 6 Trip to Kingswood

All children in Year 6 get the opportunity to go to the Kingswood Centre in Norfolk for 3 days in July. We will be handing out more information at the parent's meeting on **Monday 7th September at 3.40pm**. Further information can also be found on our website.

Uniform & PE Kit (just a reminder)

Please continue to make sure your child is in uniform every day. It needs to be **navy blue jumper/cardigan, grey trousers/skirt and a white shirt**. Grey jumpers or cardigans and black trousers are **not** allowed. Jumpers with our logo can be purchased from Sarah or Joanne in the office. Any child not in a navy jumper will have to borrow one for that day. Children are **not** allowed to wear clothes of their choice on their birthday. PE kit must be in school every week. **This is a white T shirt, navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms and trainers**. Elections are taking place this week for School Council. School Council will wear different colour jumpers.



Federation Updates

Parent Governor

As you will now know Snowsfields and Tower Bridge decided to formalise their partnership and have become a Hard Federation. This also means that both schools will only have one Governing Body and an election must take place to decide who will be your Parent Governor from each school. Existing Parent Governors who wish to continue will be invited to enter the election. New candidates are also encouraged to put themselves forward. Is this role something that interests you? Do you want to be more involved in the running of the school? Then let a member of the Leadership Team know. You will need to be able to come to meetings, usually six times a year.

They start at 5.00/5.30pm and finish at about 7pm.

If you would be interested in standing for election as a Parent Governor, please let us know by Friday 11th September, as the voting will take place the following week. The first meeting of the new Governing Body is on Thursday 17th September. If you would like to find out more about the role then please come and talk to us this week.

Federation Name

We are thinking about a name for the federation between Snowsfields and Tower Bridge. We have been consulting with staff, children and parents. If you, or your child have any ideas for the name of our partnership either speak to a member of the leadership team or drop it into the office.

Thank you!

Here is a reminder of our School Vision and our Values:

At Snowsfields we learn and succeed together:

Supporting children to succeed

Nurturing

Outstanding learning

Working together

Striving to improve

Fun and friendly

Inclusive and inspirational

Empowering everyone

Love of learning

Determined to achieve

Sharing ideas, skills and knowledge

As a pupil at Snowsfields I will:

Do my best at all times.

Respect myself, each other and the school environment.

Be kind, keep myself and others safe.

Be on time in the correct uniform and ready to learn.

Complete my homework and read at home.