

Primary Principal's Newsletter

Parents' Meetings 6th-8th December

Next week we are holding our Parents' Meetings. They are a very important part of our school calendar as they give all parents a chance to meet with the class teacher and find out how their child is doing in class. It is also a great opportunity to ask any questions about what the children are learning in school. Thank you to the parents who have already made appointments. If you have not already done so, please sign up for an appointment with the office as times are limited. This is a very busy week for teachers so please make sure you arrive promptly for your appointment to avoid having to wait or causing other parents to wait longer than necessary.



Please ensure you are wearing your ID badge whenever you are on school property. This is to ensure the safety of the students.



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We would like to introduce the new members of the ISSR staff team:

We are very happy to welcome Mr. Chema, our new, and very experienced music teacher from Mexico.



Another new face at primary school is Ms. Janica, our qualified and experienced learning assistant



As Primary school is growing, we are also expanding our team of wonderful TA's. We welcome Ms. Rasy, who

is currently supporting the children in Year 4 with their learning.

ClassDojo After a long break, we will be returning to use Class Dojo as a way to communicate with parents. It is a convenient way to keep up communication between home and school, and for parents to update teachers with necessary information. If you are not yet signed up to your child's new class, their teacher will be sending home an invitation to ioin. You will see weekly updates of your child's learning, monthly newsletters and other school re-

minders.

Here at Primary School we have recently updated our absence policy, and this was shared with all parents via Telegram. It is vital that children attend all their lessons this term, to ensure that they make the necessary progress in all subjects, and therefore pass their assessments at the end of the academic year. With so much missed lesson time due to the school closures, children and teachers are having to work extra hard to cover all the curriculum content before June.

We strongly urge all parents to plan vacations to coincide with school holidays, which are clearly indicated on the school calendar.

A significant number of absences will necessitate a conference with parents, and may lead to a student repeating the school year. In the case of urgent family matters and religious events, we ask that you fill in an Authorised Absence form, available from the office, and submit this 7 days before your child will miss school.

There are only 2 weeks left until the holidays, let's see if we can all achieve 100% attendance!

Sadly, this year we will not be holding our annual Christmas performance. We do hope that we will be able to all join together and celebrate with an end of Year performance in June 2022.



The children will enjoy small Christmas parties (within their classrooms and adhering to social distancing guidelines) on the morning of Friday 17th December. Uniform is not required and they can come to school in their own clothes. They will take part in games, festive activities and enjoy some party food together. School will finish at 12pm.

More information about suitable party food will be shared next week.

The school will close on Friday 17th December, at 12:00pm, and will reopen on Monday 10th January 2022. We hope you have a safe and happy holiday with your family!!

