



Newsletter 19

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Dear Parents

EWO (Education Welfare Officer) visit: the registers were checked again this week and a big thank you to everyone for trying hard to ensure your child is in school on time. We are on course to beat our target of 96.4% for this school year. Please find attached two graphs from the EWO showing how lateness and absences over the years accumulate and affect pupil performance. This has been researched for many years now and is therefore quite reliable information. **Please remember the early years of schooling are very important as it's the foundation time of all future learning especially with reading and numeracy. It is just as important a period as exam times in the secondary sector.** Please keep up the good work.

Mad Science Day: all the classes from Nursery to Year 2 are scheduled to have a hands-on fun learning session on Monday. It promises to be an exciting day. Please can you send in your contributions if you haven't already done so, many thanks.

Parent Consultations on Wednesday 8th February: the forms to sign up on will be available in the library from Monday 30th January 2012. Nursery will have their own sign up forms. As in previous years, office staff are unable to make appointments for you via the telephone.

Staff change: after 8 hard working and very successful years in school Mrs Sally Thomas is leaving us at the end of next week to return to the world of commerce. We wish her every happiness and success for the future and a **huge thank you** for everything she has done for the children both in the past and present. Thanks Sally.

Dental Survey – reception classes: the Department of Special Care Dentistry, Surrey Community Health, have randomly chosen a dozen 5 year old children across both classes for this NHS survey. If your child is one of those chosen you should have received a letter and permission slip from them for you to sign. Please check your child's school bag and return your permission slip as soon as possible.

Full PE Kit **REMINDER – PE Kits**

A plea from the office...could all parents please remember to send their child into school with their correct PE kits, particularly their plimsolls, as we are finding that children are not equipped to take part in their lessons. Many thanks.



A message from the PTA committee

If you have a child at Send C of E First School then you are a member of the Parent Teacher Association.

The PTA is an organisation run solely by volunteers to raise money to help the school provide materials, resources and facilities for the benefit of **everyone** who uses the school by running a variety of events throughout the school year. More importantly, the activities help to bring parents together and promote good communication between parents and staff while working towards a common goal.

However, the number of willing volunteers who offer to help are dwindling and events do not just happen by magic – they take time and a lot of effort to put together! So please consider joining in and helping. There is no “minimum commitment” – just do as much as you would like to. All efforts will be gratefully received.

Can you volunteer? Please email sendfirstpta@gmail.com. Any help you can offer is greatly needed and appreciated

And finally: After a number of injections my jaw got number.

Have a good weekend.



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Des Lees
Interim Headteacher



Dates for the diary: more detailed information will be given closer to the events.

- 28 January 2012** Jumble Sale
- 29 January 2012** 10.30am Christingle Service at St Mary’s Church, Send
- 30 January 2012** Mad Science Day
- 2 February 2012** Dental Survey – Reception classes
- 2 February 2012** Squirrel class assembly (confirmed)
- 8 February 2012** Parent consultation meetings



13 – 17 February 2012 Half – term



- 24 February 2012** PTA Cake Sale
- 8 March 2012** SCAT assembly
- 22 March 2012** Otter class assembly
- 23 March 2012** PTA Cake Sale Bake Off in aid of Sports Relief
- 23 March 2012** PTA Quiz Night
- 30 March 2012** End of term 2pm finish
- 17 April 2012** School re-opens

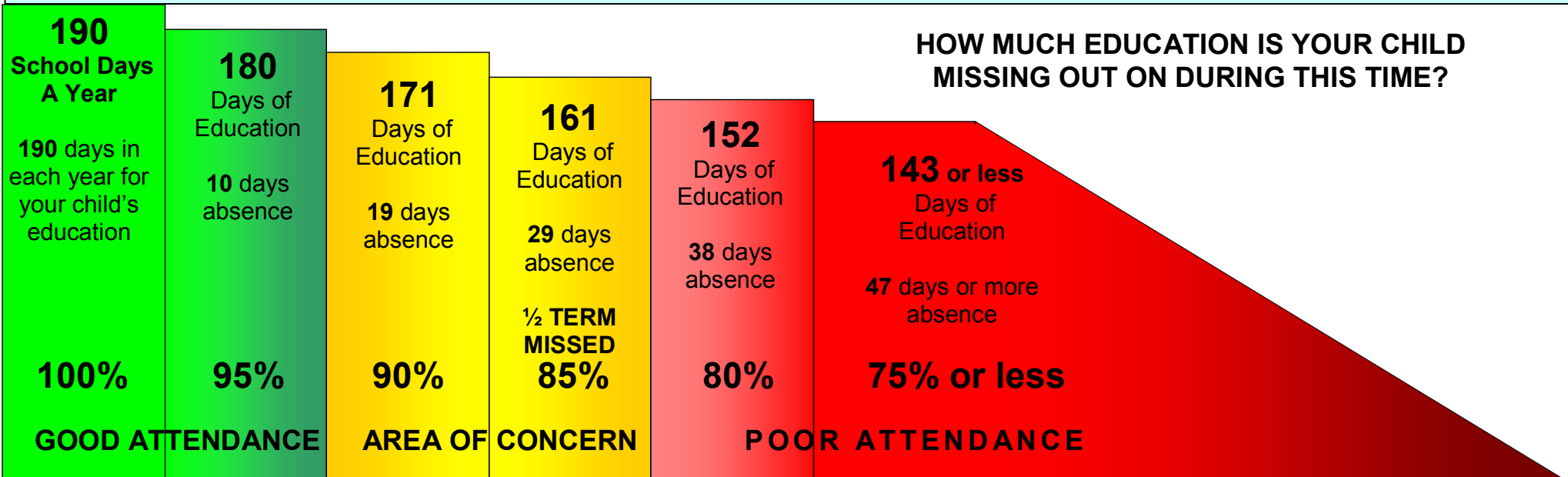


365 DAYS A YEAR

175
Non School Days
A Year

Time to spend on shopping, appointments and family holidays

HOW MUCH EDUCATION IS YOUR CHILD MISSING OUT ON DURING THIS TIME?



SCHOOL DAYS

Being Late Adds Up

