



Parents Evening Consultations are at the end of the month and we will be releasing appointments via Parentmail from **9am Monday 13th February.** The dates and times are: Tuesday 28th February (3.30pm - 5.45pm) and Wednesday 1st March (4pm - 6.45pm).

Time slots, for Year 6 on Wednesday the 1st March, are earlier - Mrs Olliver has messaged on Seesaw to explain to parents why they are different. We hope that many of you will be able to come to the these earlier times. The two dates for the consultation evenings are a change to the original dates on the school calendar from September, but we did let you know this last term.

## Arrival Time at School

At the beginning of this term, we began the school day by starting earlier with the gates opening at 8.35am. Mr Cook and I have been pleased with how positively this has worked and the amount of punctual children.

This week, we have noticed that some parents are arriving regularly at school at 8.50am which is 5 minutes late. With a very busy curriculum and timetable, lessons start at **8.45am**. In every class, the teachers plan a ten minute teaching point on vocabulary called Vocabulary Ninja. This is a whole school approach and many children are missing the first input of this lesson. Teachers raised this with me this week and so please can I remind you that the children must be in class by 8.45am. Whilst you might think that arriving 5 minutes doesn't matter, it is difficult for children to walk into a lesson that has already started and over time, that is valuable learning time lost. It isn't a good start to the day and so please can you ensure that you arrive on time. Naturally, we do understand when there may have been a mishap that morning as these things do happen from time to time.

## Valentines School Disco: Friday 10th February



Valentines disco tickets are now on sale for £3 on ParentMail. The deadline for purchase is Wednesday 8th February at 3pm. After this time, tickets will not be available to buy.

Friday 10th will be a nonuniform day for all pupils without a cost just like the previous disco. This means

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the children in Yrs R - 3 can go straight to the first disco from their class. The first disco will end at 4.30pm. Children can be collected from the hall side door. The second disco is for pupils in Yrs 4 - 6. This ends at 5.45pm. Thank you.

## Useful Diary Dates

7th February: Safer Internet Day 10th February: Target Sheets home & Valentine Disco 13th February: HALF TERM (13th - 17th) 20th February: INSET DAY - School closed to pupils 21st February: Back to school 27th - February - 3rd March: Book Week. Book Week Theme: Magical Creatures. (2nd March) World Book Day. Details to follow from class teachers on hat/mask making for a special cat walk show. 28th February & 1st March: Parents Consultation Evening 17th March: Creative Arts day & Red Nose day (£1) 20th - 24th March: Year 6 Residential to PGL 31st March: Last day of term 3rd April - 14h April: Easter Holidays 17th April: Back to School

## Have a good weekend! Best wishes Kate Powell