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Thursday 13th November 2014

Open Evening Event

Thursday 20th November 2014 - 6pm to 7.30pm

Dear Parents

I am writing to invite you to our first Open Evening Event of this academic year which will be held next **Thursday 20th November 2014 between 6pm and 7.30pm**. I will again be sharing with you information about a number of important and exciting developments taking place for our school which will include information about our new curriculum and our new homework arrangements.

As always however, our open events are intended to be a celebration of your children's recent achievements and there will be displays of children's work and an exciting range of activities for you to enjoy involving all children from YN to Y6. Your children are very excited about next week and can't wait to share their successes with you so I do hope that you will all come along.

The main event of the evening will be the opening of a wonderful new Gallery Exhibition by Y4. The children will be showcasing the outcomes of their exciting creative curriculum work this term. They have been busy planning the exhibition throughout this term and are very excited about revealing the fantastic display of their learning next week.

There will also be a performance by our fantastic KS2 choir. They are busy preparing for the Young Voices concert in January and will open the celebration of learning by performing one of the songs they will be singing at the concert.



All children from Y4 and the choir are required at the event and separate letters for them with full details of the arrangements will follow on Monday.

I am delighted that we will also have John Jeffries with us at the event. John is our ICT consultant and has been working with us this term to develop awareness of e-safety with our pupils and our exciting new computing curriculum. John will be with our Y5 class and Mrs Carter at the event and the children are keen to share e-safety advice and their ICT learning with our visitors.

The programme for the evening will be as follows:

- **6pm - Presentation for parents in the main hall**
Mrs Carol Hines and Mr Mark Kieran – Chair of Governors
- **6.20pm - Choir Performance**
- **6.30pm - The opening of Y4 Gallery Exhibition**
- **An opportunity to view displays of pupil achievements from throughout the school and to take part in various learning activities**

From 6.30 pm onwards, you will be able to enjoy displays of children's work and take part in a range of learning activities with your children including:

- Viking map challenge – Y6
- Computer coding and e-safety advice with John Jefferies – Y5
- Gallery Opening – Y4
- Cave drawings and rock paintings – Y3
- S'mores and/or night leaf hunt – Y2
- Fire art attack – Y1
- Pirate fun – YR
- Transport – speed experiments - YN

You will also have an informal opportunity to chat to myself, other staff and our Governors about any matters of interest arising from the presentation and more generally about our parent and school partnership and our ambitions to further improve our school.

This event is another occasion for you to be able to celebrate your children's achievements with them and to share your views and thoughts about the future of our school. I do hope that many of you will be able to join us. The event is intended for adults and school age children and is not really suitable for pre-school children as there won't be anything exciting to entertain them at this event!

Ideally, you will be able to make alternative arrangements for younger children on this occasion. However if you are unable to, staff have kindly offered to supervise them during the main presentation at 6pm as it is not suitable for pre-school children. The presentation and choir performance should last approximately 30 minutes after which time you would be able to collect your younger children. If you do need to bring pre-school children to the Open Evening, please complete the section on the attached reply slip so that we can plan for numbers.

Finally, we would be grateful if you would complete the attached slip indicating how seats you will need and return it to us by Monday 17th November 2014. **We are expecting high demand for seats for the event so please return your slip as soon as possible.** The children and staff are really excited about next week's Open Evening and we all look forward to welcoming you.

Kind regards

Carol Hines
Headteacher

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We will need ----- seats. **Please include school aged children who may be with you but not those in the choir as they will be seated together**

I will require supervision for ----- pre-school children during the presentation

Name: -----

Name of school child: ----- Class: -----