

# Rettendon School

## April Newsletter



The Easter holidays are upon us and you are reminded that the last day of term is Friday 4th April. The back gate will open at 1.55pm and the school will close at **2.00pm**. Pupils who are in Little Darwins after school will be transferred by staff at 2.00pm. Summer term begins on Tuesday 22nd April.

### Assessment Week Results

All the children in KS1 and KS2 have completed their assessments and we have sent out to you your child's data profile. The graph shows their progress to date in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. The graph also shows the expected upper and lower markers for your child's age range. Enclosed

with the data profile is a leaflet called 'A Parent's Guide to Assessment in School'. This leaflet explains how the levels work and how targets are set. Do not hesitate to come into school and ask questions about assessment and target setting if you are unclear.

### Summer Uniform

Please remember we switch to Summer Uniform after the Easter Holiday. For the girls this is the blue and white gingham dresses with white socks and for the boys this is grey shorts, grey socks with a white polo. All children should wear black flat shoes and blue logo jumpers.



Every year our school enters the Primary Maths Challenge. Traditionally, we always do very well and this year has been no exception. Our congratulations go to Amelia who reached the finals this year. This means she came in the top 500 competitors selected from the UK, Holland, Bangkok, Tokyo and Muscat.



### Award Winners!



Many congratulations to the children who have been awarded their Excellence Shield this month. Amelia and Kyla have both demonstrated a commitment to hard work and courteous behaviour in school and so receive their badge and WH Smith voucher.

**Well Done!**

### Key Stage 1 and 2 Commendations

Many children have made outstanding progress this year so far and to recognise this we are awarding commendations on the last day of term. Commendations recognise progress (point to point) rather than high levels of attainment which means that every child has a chance to gain an award. Commendations have been calculated by adding together the total amount of progress points made in maths, reading and writing by each pupil. There will be another round of awards given at the end of the year so continue to encourage your child to work hard!



### Kingswood Update

There will be a Kingswood Parents meeting on Wednesday 23rd April at 8.50 a.m. in the school. Please bring your child's NHS Number with you. If you cannot attend please email your child's NHS number to the school and we will send home the parent's pack.



# Spring Scrapbook

The children who have been learning to play instruments performed an enjoyable recital to the rest of the school.



Class 1 and 2 went on walks to the Church and the local woods. The children collected branches and twigs and built dens and imaginary camp fires.

## FRS NEWS.....

The FRS stands for the Friends of Rettendon School and, as a parent, you are already a member! Our aim is to raise funds for the children to enhance their learning and enjoyment whilst in school.



### FRS Family Beetle Drive

Saturday 26th April

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Please come along this Saturday if you can to help renovate the swimming pool sheds. Please ask any member of the FRS committee for more information.



# Rettendon School & FRS Diary

|                |                                                             |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fri 4th April  | Reward Event for all classes & last day of term (2pm close) |
| Mon 21st April | Closed-Bank Holiday                                         |
| Wed 23rd April | Kingswood Parents Meeting School Hall 8.50a.m.              |
| Sat 26th April | Beetle Drive                                                |
| w/b 12th May   | Year 6 SATs week                                            |
| Mon 19th May   | Kingswood Residential Holiday                               |

## **Mon 26th May-Fri 6th June Spring Break**

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|--------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 16th and 17th June | Bike Ability for Year 6                        |
| Fri 20th June      | Coffee Morning 8.45-10.35am in the school hall |
| Thur 26th June     | School Photographs                             |
| Sat 12th July      | Rettendon Community Fayre (Village Hall Field) |
| Tues 22nd July     | Last Day of Term 2.00pm close.                 |

## Term Dates 2014-15

### **Autumn Term**

Wed 3rd September-Fri 19th Dec 2014(Half Term 27th-31st Oct)

### **Spring Term**

Mon 5th Jan-Fri 27th March 2015(Half Term 16th-20th Feb)

### **Summer Term**

Mon 13th April-Wed 22nd July 2015 (Spring Break 25th May-5th June)



### **Multi-Purpose Return Slip**

Name.....

General feedback.....

Thank you to all your feedback regarding languages. Spanish and Mandarin were very popular amongst the parents.