

### **Website and Facebook**

We have a website [www.speedwellinfants.co.uk](http://www.speedwellinfants.co.uk). We regularly update the information on there. All newsletters are published on the website. You can have a look at what your child's class will be doing this term.

We also have a Facebook page for information, Speedwell Infant-school, we will put any announcements on here as reminders. We will never put photos on the Facebook page, it is used for providing information only. If you have a facebook page and put photos on of your child, please make sure that you do not have other children in the background. Some of our children in school can not be on websites etc.

### **Book bags**

Please make sure your child brings their book bag to school every day. Children do guided reading as well as individual reading and staff like to record this in the reading record book.

### **Term Dates 2019 - 20**

#### **School Opens**

Monday 6th January 2020  
Monday 24th February  
Monday 20th April  
Monday 1st June

#### **School Closes**

Friday 14th February  
Friday 3rd April  
Friday 22nd May  
Friday 17th July

School will also be closed on Friday 8th May 2020 for May Day and Friday 19th June for an INSET day.

## **Speedwell Infant School**

# **29th January 2020**

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### **Superhero Day**

Thank you to all for dressing up and donating on 'Superhero day' - the children looked fantastic. You donated £110.02, thank you very much.

### **50th Anniversary**

Our school is 50 years old this term. We will be helping the children to find out about the history of the school, and about the old school building before this school was built. We will be having a week of celebrations during the week of 30th March, more information to follow after half term. Over the next few weeks children will be learning how to find out about the past by interviewing previous staff members and pupils of the school. If you attended the school, they may want to ask you, at home, about your memories of the school and record these to share at school. If anybody has any old photos of the school we would love to see them, please bring them to the school office.

We are very excited about celebrating our 50th anniversary and have received some lottery funding to help us with the celebrations and to set up a 'Friends of Speedwell' group. We hope you will support us and your children to make this a great event.

## **Bikes / Scooters**

There have been a few issues within the school grounds around children on bikes / scooters. Staveley Junior School and ourselves have both agreed that children should get off their bikes / scooters when they get inside the school gate and walk with them to park them in the storage area. Bikes / scooters are left at your own risk in the storage area. Please do not leave scooters / bikes in the entrance area to the school as this poses a risk in case of fire.

## **Headlice**

We have had a few cases of head lice reported. Treat head lice as soon as you spot them. You should check everyone in the household and start treating anyone who has head lice on the same day. Children do not need to be kept off school if they have head lice. The first method to try is 'wet combing'. You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) to remove head lice and nits. Wash hair with ordinary shampoo. Apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do). Comb the whole head of hair, from the roots to the ends. It usually takes about 10 minutes to comb short hair and 20 to 30 minutes for long, frizzy or curly hair. Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17.



## **No Smoking at the School Gates**



As part of Derbyshire County Council's smoke-free gates initiative our children designed posters to discourage parents /carers smoking outside the school gates. Three posters designed by our children have been put up on the school gates at our main entrance on College Avenue and at the pedestrian entrance on Lime Avenue. Take a look at the posters and please do not smoke outside the school gates.

