



PRESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



SPRING TERM 2019

WEEK THREE

Mornings

Unfortunately, I have to start this week's newsletter with some very serious concerns. I have received numerous complaints this week about a number of incidents on a morning. The most serious involved someone in a 4x4 actually driving along the pavement, with all 4 wheels on it, to get close to the gates to drop off their children. On reviewing the CCTV I can honestly say that I was appalled at what I saw. In addition to this incident, the cameras showed people pulling into Elmwood Road, three point turning, whilst children were walking around the cars, 'throwing' children out, some as young as Year 1, to bring themselves into school and then driving off! Morning routines in school have been adapted over many years to make things as easy as possible for parents. You have 15 minutes to get your children into school from doors opening to closing. In addition, we run Breakfast Club, at cost, should you need to get to work earlier. You do not need to park illegally or dangerously to be able to get your children into school on time. To be extremely clear, I will not hesitate to pass on our CCTV to police if this dangerous and aggressive driving continues. I, for one, do not want to be visiting a child in hospital, or worse, because parents can't be bothered to walk a few metres to keep their own and other children safe. PLEASE NOTE there are no staff on the yard until 8.40am and, until the door opens, they remain YOUR responsibility. Yesterday, a number of children who were dropped off earlier decided to take themselves out onto Elmwood Road to ice skate on the road!! I will be speaking to those involved today, however, I must reiterate that children should not be left unattended to fend for themselves, if they are not of an appropriate age.

To clarify

- 8.00 Breakfast club starts
- 8.40 Once the doors open, staff take responsibility for children
- 8.55 Doors close – children must be brought to the office

Apart from this we have had another great week in school this week. Children have been hunting around school for right angles. We have been trialing a new and exciting reading program and hosting a range of different students. The PTA have been busy organizing what promises to be a great night for Friday 1st March – get it in your diary- more details next week.

Have a great weekend and please, if the first part applies to you, take notice before someone is killed.

Sue Richardson – Head Teacher

SPRING TERM KEY DATES

Tuesday 5th February –
Safer Internet Day

Monday 11th February –
Digital Leaders at Yarm school

Wednesday 13th February
– Parent Ambassador meeting
2.15pm in school all welcome.

Friday 15th Feb – we break
up at 3.15pm for half term

Monday 25th February –
return to school

Friday 1st March –
Pie & Peas Quiz night at the
P & E Club, Eaglescliffe

Tuesday March 5th –
Parents' Evening

Sunday 10th March –
Y6 bag pack at Morrison's
Teesside Park

Wednesday 3rd April –
Saturday 6th April Kingswood Y5

Friday 5th April – break up
for Easter