

## Dear Mums & Dads

Happy New Year from all the staff at Risca Primary School. We all hope that you have a good 2017. I have included some dates for this term which will help you to arrange your calendars for the next term and a few items for your consideration.

<u>Governor Vacancy</u> Please be aware that we have a vacancy for a parent governor. Should anyone be interested please contact the office to collect relevant forms. The closing date to return the forms is the 23 January 2017. Many thanks

<u>Risca Dance Festival</u> As usual our yr 4 pupils will be taking part in the Risca Dance Festival. I am sure that you will enjoy the performances. This is an excellent opportunity for our pupils to visit Risca Comprehensive School and work with some of the staff.

<u>Parents' Evening</u> As usual we will be holding parents evening at the end of this term. Please make every effort to attend as it is important that we can take the opportunity to share your child's work and successes with you.

<u>Parent Walks</u> Once again Mrs King will be leading two parent walks this term. Look out for invitations to attend the walks which explain in detail how we teach English and Mathematics. Feedback from parents who have already attended has been very positive. Please book quickly when the invitations come out as we can only accommodate a small number of parents for the walk. Many thanks.

Attendance Mrs King has sent out some letters over the last few days to invite parents into school to discuss their child's attendance. I would be grateful if you could contact school if you are unable to attend the meeting. We have a new EWO attached to our school and we are gathering up to date information on all pupil attendance to ensure that he has accurate and up to date information. Many thanks.







<u>National Test Dates</u> Once again this year we are required to administer the National tests for Literacy, Numeracy and Reasoning. This year the 'window' for the test is between the 3 and the 10 May. It is very important that all pupils are in school for this period of time and we would kindly ask that wherever possible pupils attend school every day of the allocated test period. Many thanks.

Dates:

January

Friday 27 9.00 Parent Learning Walk - English

**February** 

Wednesday 1 9.00 Yr 6 to Crucial Crew

Tuesday 7 School Photographs

Thursday 16 Drumming workshop Yrs 5/6

Monday 20 Feb - Friday 24 Feb Half Term school closed

<u>March</u>

Thursday 2 Eisteddfod

Tuesday 7 Reception vision/height/weight checks

Wednesday 8 LLangrannog trip (3 day stay)

Tuesday 14 Techniquest Light & Sound Kits for KS 2

Wednesday 15 As above Thursday 16 As above

Thursday 16 Science Family Fun session at 3.15 Friday 24 Parent learning Walk - Maths

April

Tuesday 4 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 5 Parents' Evening
Thursday 6 Risca Dance Festival

School closes at 1.30 Friday 7 April - Friday 21 April

Yours sincerely

J Arthur (Mrs)

Head Teacher