



THE PERSE PELICAN NURSERY AND PRE-PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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SICKNESS

We are experiencing a higher than usual number of absences due to vomiting. Can I please remind you that the requirement is that a child of less than five years of age should remain off school until they have been symptom free for 48 hours and for those older than five the period of time is 24 hours. Medical advice is that effective hand washing routines are vital in these cases, so can we please work together to ensure that the children are compliant.

WINTER UNIFORM

I have been asked whether the boys can wear long trousers to school in cold weather. Having considered the matter very carefully at a recent full staff meeting I have decided to retain the current uniform of short trousers but when the weather is very cold boys may come to school wearing their track suit bottoms (but not over their shorts please.) If you wish your son to adopt this uniform would you please advise his teacher. To reassure you, we have never had a boy tell us that he is too cold in the playground and the school building is very warm.

QUIZ NIGHT

This promises to be a great occasion – and there is already a real buzz of anticipation. Do please support this APP initiative. We now have enough room to accommodate more teams!

TRAFFIC AND PARKING

I have received another fierce communication from a neighbour drawing attention to the fact that the traffic in Glebe Road is being held up in the morning. I am aware that the ongoing excavation further up the road does not help the situation, but I think it timely to remind drivers that we do ask you to respect our unofficial one way scheme – approach the school from the Mowbray Road end of Glebe Road and drive up towards Hills Road when leaving the school.

SCHOOL DONATION

Congratulations to Thomas Hodges in Year 1 who came fifth in a Design a Christmas Card competition at Mrs Hodges' place of work. The letter I received from the company states that Thomas 'requested that the donation (£150) be made payable to the school'. We are very grateful to Thomas, who tells me that he would like the money to be used on sports equipment and items for Early Start and Late Stay. We will be discussing specifics with him shortly.

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Headmistress