

Weekly Newsletter – 12th February 2018

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The Newsletter Returns!

After an absence of a few months, we have decided to bring back the school newsletter. It is the perfect opportunity for us as a school to share things with parents/carers and our wider community.

The newsletter will be available on the school website and we will send you a link every week via text message to enable you to access it easily. With this in mind, can you please ensure that we always have up-to-date contact details/mobile phone numbers. If you would still like a paper copy printed, please let the school office know and we will arrange for one to be given to your child.



Valentine's Disco

Our Valentine's Disco will be taking place on Tuesday 13th February. As usual, Foundation and Key Stage 1 will be having their disco first, between 3.15pm and 4.15pm. Children can bring in clothes to change into ready to party! Children will be dismissed from their usual exits at 4.15pm. Tickets cost £1.50 and are available from the school office. This includes entrance, a party bag and a drink. The Key Stage 2 disco will follow at 4.30pm. Entrance to this will cost £1 and there will be a tuck shop available so please send your children with some pocket money. Children will be dismissed at 5.30pm through the school reception.

Pancake Day

As part of their Enterprise scheme, Year 3 will be selling pancakes on Tuesday 13th February. They will cost £1 and will include a variety of toppings – yum yum!!



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Happening this week

Sports Week

Monday 12th February

KS1 Sports Club

Football Club – 3-4.15pm
(cancelled)

Dance/Drama Club 3-4.30pm

Tuesday 13th February

Choir Club 3-4pm

Wednesday 14th February

Archery Club 3-4pm

Thursday 15th February

Newspaper Club 3-4pm

Year 6 Maths Club 3-4pm

Friday 16th February

Year 3 to the Library – Please send your child with any library books to return and their library card.

PE Days

Reception – Mon & Thurs

Year 1 – Tues & Thurs

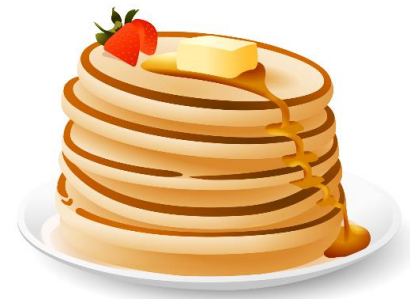
Year 2 – Mon & Weds

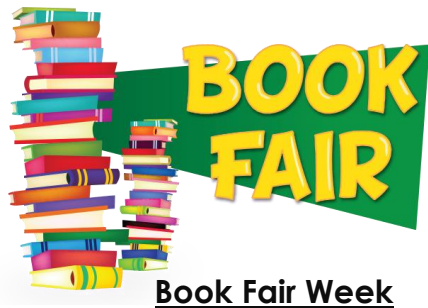
Year 3 – Tues & Thurs

Year 4 – Mon & Fri

Year 5 – Weds & Thurs (swim)

Year 6 – Friday





This will be taking place this week. Children will have an opportunity during the week to look at the books and books will be available for sale at 3pm Monday to Thursday. We are also running a competition to see who can create the best book character using recyclable materials. Please bring your entries to the school office and they will be displayed in the reception area during this week. Winners will be decided at the end of the week.

PGL



Our Year 6 trip to Caythorpe Court will take place between Wednesday 23rd May and Friday 25th May. The final cost of the trip will be £110. Our PTFA have again very kindly offered to pay for the cost of the coach. Unfortunately, payment cards are no longer issued by PGL. However, if you would like to make payments at any time these can be made to the school office where a record of any outstanding balances will be kept. Final balances must be paid by Friday May 4th (Star Wars Day!!).

Head Lice

We have again been informed by parents of incidents of head lice in school. Please check your child regularly for signs of eggs/lice and treat accordingly. Just a reminder that if your child has long hair, this should be tied up during school. Advice on head lice can be found at <https://beta.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice>. Please remember to check everyone in the family and to wash bedding as well.

Squid Accounts

Can all parents/carers please keep a regular check on their child's sQuid account? We have many accounts that are overdrawn when they shouldn't be. Accounts should always be topped up and in credit before school meals or tuck are purchased. Regular texts are sent out to inform parents if accounts are overdrawn and it is expected that they are topped up as soon as possible. If accounts are not in credit then we may have to ask parents to bring in packed lunches instead of children having school dinners. We may also refuse to allow children tuck at break time if they do not have money on their account. Children in KS1 may bring money in for tuck on the day.

Parents in School

Please be reminded that parents are not allowed in school unless they are dropping their children off at the school office or have made an appointment to see a member of staff. This is to ensure the safety of our children and complies with our safeguarding procedures. If you need to drop anything off for your child, this can be left at the school office and we will make sure that the item gets to your child.

Energy Drinks

Due to the adverse effects energy drinks can have upon children, would you please refrain from sending your child with an energy drink. To set an example, we would also appreciate it if parents did not bring energy drinks into the school grounds and certainly not into the school building.

Year 6 Leavers' Event

We have set a provisional date for this as Friday 20th July. It will be held in school and we will let you know more details shortly.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 13th February – Valentine's Disco
Tuesday 13th February – Pancake sale at break time
Thursday 1st March – World Book Day (dress up as a book character)
Thursday 1st March – Beauty and the Beast production
Tuesday 6th March – Year 4 Time Travelling to Southwell Minster
Monday 19th March (5pm) – Year 3/4 production
Tuesday 20th March (1pm) – Year 3/4 production

More Important News



Stars of the week ending 9th February were:

Reception – Alicia Parry & Georgia Pearce
Year 1 – Connor Bicknell & Miruna Cantar
Year 2 – Jack Kane & Jacob McRell
Year 3 – Mareks Apse & Jemima Foster
Year 4 – Kady-Mae Hastings & Caleb Hornblow
Year 5 – Morgan-Lee McLean & Callum Roe
Year 6 – Hannah Smith & Hope Snuggs

Breakfast Club is held on a daily basis from 7.30am to 8.30am at a cost of £2

After School Club is also available from 3.00-5.30pm. This costs £7.00 per day, reduced to £6.50 for regular attendance.



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The best behaved classes last week were the Robins in Reception and the Goldcrests in Year 6 – well done everyone.

Attendance

Attendance last week was only 95.28% which is below our target of 96.2%. The class with the best attendance at 98% were the Siskins in year 4 – congratulations! Let's see if we can get some classes on 100% next week.

We have noticed that more and more children are coming into school late. Please be reminded that school starts at 8.45am and teachers plan for lessons to start on time so children are getting the most out of their day. Being late disrupts the learning of your child but also those in the class. Please ensure that your child arrives on time and ready for the day. If you know you are going to be late please let the school office know as soon as possible as we have to provide the kitchen with dinner numbers as early as we can and by 9.30 at the latest. If you do not inform school that you are going to be late and arrive after 9.30, please ensure that you send your child with a packed lunch.

Please remember that children can come to school with minor illnesses such as headaches and coughs/colds – we will look after them! If your child is going to be absent from school, please let the school office know as soon as possible and before 9am.

We are currently working with Meden's Attendance Officer who will be making home visits if we do not have a valid reason for your child's absence.