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Friday 31st January 2020



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Holocaust Memorial Day

Thank you to you and your pupils for making today such a sensitive reflection of Holocaust Memorial Day. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to talk to so many of your pupils about their learning surrounding the day. Thank you also for the time and effort that you and your pupils have given to create such beautiful memorial flames.

A selection of photographs of the children's work will be shown at the Holocaust Memorial Day.



Reading

Thank you to the Year 4 parents who came to read with their children on Thursday 30th January. We look forward to seeing Year 5 parents next Thursday 5th February at 2:15pm.



No Dogs!

Dogs are not allowed on the school grounds at any time. This includes dogs that are being carried.



Thank you.

Water Bottles

Just a reminder that water bottles should come home each day to be washed and refilled for your child. This is to eliminate any germs and ensure that your child can be kept hydrated through the day. Please ensure bottles are labelled clearly to help the children identify theirs quickly. Many thanks.



Lateness

We would like to emphasise the importance of arriving at school on time. The doors open at 8.45am daily to allow children to be in class and ready for their lessons which begin at 8.55am.



Thank you.

Wanted! Spare Uniform/Clothes

We would be grateful for any donations of good condition used uniform and other clothing, in particular (tights, trousers etc).

Thank you.



Attendance for w/c 13/01/2020

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the current class attendance data.

David McKee	93.9%
Beatrix Potter	91.9%
Anthony Browne	94.3%
David Walliams	97.6%
Roald Dahl	96.2%
C.S. Lewis	90.7%
Michael Morpurgo	96.6%
Abi Longstaff	91.0%
Tom Fletcher	97.7%
J.K.Rowling	92.8%



PTFA DISCO

On **Friday 7th February 2020** the PTFA will be holding a disco for the children. The cost will be £3.00 per child this is now to be paid on ParentPay. No cash will be accepted by the school or the PTFA as we are now a cashless school. All payments to be paid in full by **Thursday 6th February 2020**, by paying on ParentPay you are consenting to your child/children to attend the school disco.

Foundation, Year 1 and 2 4:15pm-5:15pm.

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 5:30pm-6:30pm.

FACEBOOK & WEBSITE

Please follow us on our Facebook page - Discovery Multi Academy Trust.



You can also check our website for latest news and term dates.

Important Dates



06/02/20 - Year 5 Parents Reading 2.15pm

07/02/20 - NSPCC Number Day 2020

07/02/20 - PTFA Disco

13/02/20 London Visit

**14/02/20 - CS Lewis Class Assembly
2.30pm**

17/02/20 - 21/02/19 Half Term

24/02/20 - Return to school 8.45am

02/03/20 - 6/03/20 Year 5 Bikeability

6/03/20 Nethercott Visit

30/03/20 - 13/04/19 Easter Holidays

14/04/20 Return to school 8.45am

4/05/20 Non-Pupil Day

8/05/20 VE Day Bank Holiday

25/05/20 - 29/05/19 Half Term

**25/06/20 - Year 6 & Foundation
Group Photos**

23/07/20 Summer Holidays begin

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Dinners and Breakfast Club Payments

We currently have several people now in debt, please can you check your child's account and add credit before Monday if you have a debt or will be using the account next week.

Advanced payments secure your child's place at Breakfast Club and ALL school meals should be paid in ADVANCE.

Texts only get sent to parents with a dinner and breakfast club debt, so if you receive a text, please check your child's Parent Pay account.

Please contact the office if you need any assistance. Thank you.





Dear parents and carers,

We are excited to announce that we will be taking part in NSPCC Number Day on **Friday 7th February 2020**, when the children will take part in fun maths activities throughout the day!

It's a charitable event so we are fundraising by holding a Dress Like Your Avatar Day.

For a small donation to the NSPCC, children can dress up as a [Times Table Rock Star avatar] or [a robot from NumBots] for the day.

Making maths meaningful

To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a small donation (suggested £1.00) and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event. We are looking forward to seeing all your amazing costumes. The children can be as exciting and inventive as they like.

All the money we donate to the NSPCC will help to fund their vital services such as Childline and the NSPCC Speak out Stay safe Programme, making an enormous difference to children today and to the lives of children tomorrow.

Please note that it's entirely optional for your child to dress like an avatar and it's optional for you to make a donation. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any queries about Number Day.

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

Charlie Aquilina



Weston Mill Primary Academy have joined MKC Heroes!

MKC Heroes (formerly HMS Heroes) is a national support group for the children of Service men and women and their relatives. A tri-Service network, where members are ambassadors and young advocates for the families of serving and ex-serving personnel across the United Kingdom, and most importantly, they are friends who are there for each other, especially in times of need. We aim to run a weekly lunchtime group - more details to follow.

Please email FSA, Claire Wilkinson, on c.wilkinson@discoverymat.co.uk or call the school office on 01752 365250 to confirm if you are a serving or ex-serving service family.

Plymouth Parkour

Plymouth Parkour have been volunteering at the Edison Centre. Find out more about this great club on <https://plymouthparkour.uk/>.



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Main Entrance/School Gate

At the start of the school day the main entrance is only to be used after 9.15am or with prior agreement with Mrs Dinnis or Mr Wilkins. Please be aware that the gate is open from 8.30am until 9.15am. If you arrive late but before 9.15am the gate entrance **MUST BE USED**.

**PLEASE
NOTE..**

The gate in the afternoon is open from 2.55pm for collection of children at the end of school. The main entrance is not for collecting children at the end of the day unless prior agreement with Mrs Dinnis or Mr Wilkins.

Thank you.



Message from the Premises Manager

Important message for all parents. Please ensure when walking into the school grounds that all adults and children stick to the main path and do not go up near the Forest School area or Dome until further notice. This is to keep everyone safe at all times.

Thank you.

