



Guilden Morden Church of England (VC) School Newsletter

Friday 12th May 2017

Head teachers update

It has been another busy week at Guilden Morden. The children in Year 6 have been busy undertaking their SATs and they are now having a well deserved less intense day today before continuing with their learning next week.

The children in Class 1 have been working on their topic At the Bottom of the Garden and doing some exciting things. The Year 2's have been developing their extended writing skills with me and have produced some pleasing and imaginative pieces of writing. Class 2 have been continuing their topic on the Romans, so all in all a packed week of learning.

As you know I am here on a temporary contract and this week the governors have been interviewing for a permanent head teacher. Next week, we will be interviewing for the class teacher positions for next year. I will let you know the outcome of the interview process as we know.

Finally, the governors and myself would like to invite parents to a coffee morning/evening in early June (date and times to follow). We would like to talk about the strengths of our school and areas for improvement within an informal setting - so please do come along to this, your views really will be helpful for school improvement and we value your input.

Cool School Club

The children have been really enjoying the new outside area. They have been playing football, playing with the soft books or just sitting in the tyre reading. The lovely weather has enabled us to enjoy snacks outside. A huge thanks to Sarah Bell who has donated a covered frame and lots of pots to grow seedlings. Next week, we will be planting seeds, tomatoes and sweet peas. Thank you.

Helen & all the staff

Pre-School 'The Ark'

We're so happy that our undercover area has now been completed. The children really enjoy playing outside and playing with our mud kitchen, making lots of stews and cakes. We have been looking at Spring since we have been back, looking at plants and how they grow. We now have two lovely sunflowers growing in The Ark. We then moved on to spring animals and had some ducklings and baby rabbits visit us which the children loved, as they remember the mess everywhere!

We are now keen to make a music wall, so if any of you have any old pots, pans baking trays, wooden spoons or wire racks that you don't mind passing on, we would really appreciate them.

Thank you for your support and have a lovely weekend.
Kristy

Swimming - Resuscitation Training

We are finalising the arrangements for after-school swimming to enable your children to use the pool facilities, also hopefully on occasional weekends on a volunteer rota system. All parents, including PreSchool, wishing their child to swim out of school hours must be in attendance to supervise their child around the pool area at all times, as well as complete the resuscitation training.

Please note that if you have not taken the resuscitation training your child is NOT able to participate in the swimming.

Tuesday 23rd May, at 3.30pm & 7pm

in the School Hall.

Please inform the office if you would like to volunteer and which session time you can attend. A small charge of £1 per person will be payable towards the course tutor's fees.

Breakfast Activity Club

A reminder to all those interested in attending our Wednesday breakfast club (7.45am - 8.45am) to register with Cambridge United FC on their website: www.cuyd.co.uk

Purple Day - 'Surviving or Thriving'



As part of Mental Health Awareness Week, DEMAT invite you and your school to take part in their launch of 'Purple Day'. The aim of the day is to raise awareness of Mental Health and promote Wellbeing for children, staff and families across all DEMAT schools. In addition to raising awareness, we are hoping that this will be an opportunity to raise some money to support mental health provision within our school.

There will be activities for the children throughout the day (see more details in the attached flyer). We ask children to wear something purple and bring a small donation. Thank you.

AWARDS

This week's Awards have been given to:-

Code of Conduct:

William Crankshaw, Amélie Seymour, Hannah Thompson, and Year 6

Gold Award:

Esmee Saban: for maintaining our 'school code of conduct'.



Well done everyone !

Thought for the week:

" Happiness and peace is all around us,

we just need to know where to look"

Christian value:

'CO-OPERATION'

Genesis 11: 1-4

1 Corinthians 14:40 Proverbs 27:17

Have a wonderful weekend.
Kind regards,

Alan Wright
Head teacher

Diary Updates and Reminders

17 th May - 7.30pm	PTFA meeting: School Hall
Thursday 18 th May 9am - Class 2 & 3	Henry Moore Foundation School Trip
Friday, 19 th May 	Purple Day 'Surviving or Thriving'
22 nd May - Class 2	Environment Day
23 May, 7pm (45 mins)	Resuscitation Training for Parent Helpers
Friday 26 th May - 4 th June	Half-Term Holiday (including non-pupil day)
5 th June	School Class Photographs
20 th June	Mini-Olympics, years 3&4
28 th June	School Sports Day
29 th June - Class 3	Hockey Final, St Ives

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