



Guilden Morden CofE Primary Academy Newsletter

Friday 15th June 2018

Head teachers update

School Plan Focus:

This week the teachers have been working on the curriculum and sharing information on how the different subjects are progressing through the school. We have also been considering how the teachers can further support each other in developing different aspects of the curriculum and preparing their evidence on this aspect of leadership within the school.

Transition from Pre-school:

As part of their transition into the school, the older children from the Pre-school have started their weekly sessions with class 1. The first session went well and we trust that this will help these children feel comfortable about and look forward to joining this class in September.



Recruitment:

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Kirstie Whyte will be joining us in September to teach class 3, Magpies. She is an experienced teacher who is currently working overseas. As she will not be in the country during this term, there will be a Skype conversation with her during the open evening so that parents and children get to 'meet her' and say hello. Mrs Kate Wright (no relation to Mr Alan Wright) will also be joining us as a part-time teacher, working with class 2, Swallows and we are arranging for her to also attend for this 'moving up' afternoon. Parents are

invited to 'meet the teacher' on Thursday 12 July 3.20pm-4.30pm.

Swallows Class Religious Education trips:

For their Religious Education focus, Swallows are learning to answer the following question "How and why are churches different?"

They have visited St Mary's Church and Canon Williams and Reverend Ann Bol welcomed the children and explained about the features of the building and some of its history. Thank you.



Visiting St Mary's Church

They also visited Ely Cathedral and were awed by the size of the building. They took part in a number of activities including brass rubbing and making clay models



Visiting Ely Cathedral

They will be visiting the Congregational Church next week.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Jeremy Fisher

Cool School Club



The Club has been able to take full advantage of the swimming pool on a Monday and Wednesday. This is a wonderful facility to have. The children have also enjoyed playing chess and continue their fun in building dens.

The weather has allowed snacks to be eaten outside and the new adventure equipment still proves very popular. Lots of jewellery is being created using the loom bands - rings, bracelets and necklaces. Please let staff know if there are any activities you would prefer to see. Thank you.

Helen and all the staff



GDPR: Please return your privacy notice declarations (4). The emergency contact form should be signed by your chosen emergency contact on our records. Please note some forms have been returned incorrectly, and these should be amended please. This information is EU regulations (25/5/2018).

Performances: 'The Greatest Fairy Tale Told' performed by the Hobgoblin Theatre group at school. This show has been organised by the PTFA. 2 further performances are planned with 'Gripping Yarns' later in the term, regarding bullying and internet safety.

Sports Day: Thursday 28th June, 9.30am - 11; All Parents invited.

Moving Up Day: Thursday 12 July; The children will be moving up to their new classes for the afternoon, and at 3.20pm you are invited to come along and meet your new teacher.

Community/ Playground Opening/ Family Picnic Day: 17 July (Tuesday), 12.15pm Parents are invited to join us for the official opening of our playground, followed by our family picnic lunch on the playground field. There will also be several performances by the children, including our music teacher to introduce sessions available for next year.

Class 1

On behalf of Robins Class, we thank Mr Taran for putting together our new play shed. This enables the children to enjoy their learning outside as well as inside.



Ice Lolly Shop!

On each Friday after half-term we will be selling a selection of ice-lollies after school. The lolly shop will be open at 1pm for pre-school and 3.15pm for the main school - nearer the time will be more detailed posters.

Gardening Club!

Every Thursday, please come and join in.

- Thursdays, 3.20pm-4.20pm
- 14th, 21st, 28th of June &
- 5th, 12th 19th July
- Cost a total cost of £14 per child

We are looking for a volunteer to help on 21st June - Please do volunteer your time.

The PTFA need you!!

In September we will be down to 4 committee members. We really need to increase this number and/or our body of volunteers in order to carry on fund-raising for the school and pre-school. Please can you complete and return your forms, if you have not already done so.

There is no commitment to joining as there are plenty of ad-hoc volunteer opportunities - such as helping at an event to designing a poster - all help is very warmly welcomed!!

Some of the things we have purchased for the school this year include.

- £1,000 towards the outdoor play equipment
- £100 for the author visit around World Book Day
- £800 for the pond cover
- £200 for a new KS1 play shed
- £400 for two theatre company visits

Every completed questionnaire will be entered in to a draw to win a bottle of wine - yippee!!

AWARDS

This week our awards have been made to :-

	Progress	Conduct & Values
Pre-school	All of Pre-School for Sports Day	Ellie
Class 1	Ellie & Freddie	Ella & Daniel
Class 2	Abbie & Scott	Amélie & Bonnie
Class 3	Millie & Corrina	Brooke & Ines

Thought for the week:

“I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.”
— C.S. Lewis

Collective Worship Theme for the week

“Why Can't I see It”
II Corinthians ch. 4 vs 13 – ch. 5 vs 1

Diary Updates and Reminders

21 June (Thurs)	Class 1 - Trip to Botanical Gardens/Apple Store
26 June (Tues) 1.45pm	'Greatest Fairy Tale Told' Hogboblin Theatre Group
28 June (Thurs) 930-11am	Sports Morning - Parents welcome
12 July (Thurs) 3.20pm	Moving Up/Meet the Teacher - Parents welcome
17 July (Tues) 12.15pm	Community 'Picnic' Day / Official Playground Opening - Parents welcome
18 July (Wed)	Church Leaver's Service -Yr6 - Parents welcome
23 July (Monday), 1.45pm	Last day of Summer Term
6 th September 2018 (Thursday)	Autumn Term 2018 commences. Term dates on the website

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