

Guilden Morden Church of England (VC) School Newsletter

Friday 17th November 2017

Head teachers update

Primary School Application: It was great to be able to show some of the Pre-school parents around the school this week and explain about our Reception provision. Please could I remind parents that online applications can now be completed up until 15 January 2018) via www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions

Anti-bully Week Poster competition: Well done to those children who have already made posters for our competition. There is still time for more. All entries need to be handed in on Monday 20th November.

Children in need: Thank you for the donations towards Children in Need. There have been some very spotty children and adults in school today. We have raised £96.94.



Pudsey covered in your donated change!

School Development Plan: Our School Development focus this week has been Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and we have benefitted from support and training led by Heather Lewis, our SENCO.

Gold medal for Hannah



Last weekend, Hannah Thompson in Class 3 attended a junior hockey tournament in Bedford. Hannah plays for Shefford & Sandy U10s. They played and won all 5 games, plus the final! Hannah's team played brilliantly, scoring a total of 15 goals, conceding only 1 in the tournament. Well done Hannah!



Magpies Class

On Tuesday 14th, Magpies Netball team took part in an after-school tournament at Melbourn Village College and played brilliantly. They showed great sportsmanship as always.

Next Thursday, 23rd November, is our WW2 tea party, and we are looking forward to this special event and welcoming a number of visitors to our school.

Cool School Club



This week the children have been doing collage using old Christmas cards, as well as decorating glass jars to use as pencil pots. We have a few jars in club but please bring in more if you have any spare.

Spanish Club continues and children have been making 'plastilina' and learning songs and all about numbers. It is certainly a lively class and the children are very enthusiastic!

Helen and all the staff



In order to facilitate the smoother running of our accounts, from January 2018 all payments for Pre school and Cool Club will be available via ParentPay.

- For parents who currently pay by cash, cheque or direct to the bank, we would appreciate if you could use ParentPay in the future.
- For parents who pay by childcare vouchers, we will make a manual adjustment to reflect this payment in ParentPay. Please add your invoice number & child's name where possible when transmitting the payment.

Invoices should be paid within 6 weeks. Should anyone have any concerns or difficulties with this please speak to the office.

Recruiting

Guilden Morden are looking to fill these permanent positions:-
'Mid-day Supervisor' to work in our dining hall.
Working every day 12 - 1.15pm to set up and supervise lunch-time activities amongst helpful, friendly children.
Please contact office@guildenmorden.cambs.sch.uk
'School Cook' &
'School Cleaner' Pre-School are seeking a part-time cleaner (3 x 1 hr per week, Tues/Wed/Fri, between 1pm-3pm). Apply to the office.



Christmas Wreath Making (PTFA)

Reminder: to book your place on the Christmas Wreath making workshop, with the office and £10 deposit.

Friday 1st December or

Saturday 2nd December,

7- 9.30 pm at the School Hall.

No previous knowledge required as our professional florist will guide you. Tickets £35 includes all materials, a welcome drink, and your wreath. Everyone welcome.



Christmas Fayre (PTFA)



The PTFA warmly invite you to join us...

-- CHRISTMAS FAYRE --

Friday 1st December

3.15pm

School Hall

There will be lots of fun games, tombola, raffle, gifts and more!

We will still be open at 4.15pm, if your child is at Sports Club then you can still join us afterwards - you won't miss out on the fun!!

Look forward to seeing you there!!

-- DONATIONS REQUEST --

The PTFA are kindly asking for tombola and lucky dip items to be donated for the Christmas Fayre. We are after a mix of goodies; small pocket money toys, bubbles, soap, colour pencils, fun and funny items! Please drop anything into reception, many thanks!

-- SWEETIE JARS --

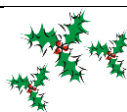
After last years success of Christmas Sweetie Jars the PTFA will be running the same stall at this year's Christmas Fayre. We hope you have fun decorating and filling your jars and look forward to the possibility of winning it back at the Fayre! Please hand all decorated jars into reception - many thanks!

Bags 2 School (PTFA)

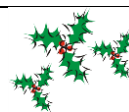
Is a company that collects good quality second-hand clothing for re-use. According to the weight of items that they receive they will pay the school an amount as free-fundraising for the school.

Bags have been sent to you and we would appreciate if you could start collecting.

Collection for Bags2School will be on Tuesday 21 November. Please place your items (adult and children clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties and soft toys) in bags and leave these under the school bike shed for collection. More bags available from the office.



Christmas Celebrations



The children of **Class 2 & 3** will be performing their school **Nativity Play** on Tuesday 12 December 1.30pm and Wednesday 13 December at 6pm. As usual, the play will be preceded with some Christmas carols on the piano performed by our musicians.

Monday 18th December will be our **Christmas Lunch Festivities**. So that we can gauge numbers, please can you let the office know as soon as convenient whether your child would like to have the Christmas menu: *Roast Turkey with sausage, stuffing, roast potatoes, carrots and peas, followed by a Christmas chocolate crispie cake.*



We will be wearing **Christmas jumpers** on this day!

Nativity play for Class 1 will be part of the Christmas Church Service on Tuesday 19th December at 9.30am. All families are welcome to join us for this service, and as usual we are happy for you to walk with us to the church.

AWARDS

This week our awards have been made to :-

	Progress	Conduct & Values
Pre-School	Eleanor Sellers	Sophia Bates
Class 1	Alfie Pinnock Toby Leaman-Eggleton	Ella-Louise Groom Joshua Lans
Class 2	Jersey Georgiades Matteo Pocock	Scott Davis Roach Bobby Green
Class 3	Martha Formstone Millie Robinson	Layla Gray Emma Targett

Thought for the week:

*The smallest act of kindness
is worth more than the grandest intention.
- Oscar Wilde*

Collective Worship Theme for the week

Kindness

*The weekly newsletter will now be 'paperless'
Let us know you would still prefer to receive a
paper version!*

Diary Updates and Reminders

12 December,	1.30pm-School Nativity Play, Class 2&3
13 December	6pm - School Nativity Play, Class 2&3
21 st November	'Bags2School' Collection
1 st December	3.15pm Christmas Fayre, after school
1 st /2 nd December	Christmas Wreath making, 7.30pm
14 th December	Flu Immunisation: Reception-Year4
18 th December	Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day
19 December	9.30am Christmas church Service & Class 1 Nativity Play End of Term

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