



Guilden Morden Church of England (VC) School Newsletter

Friday 19th May 2017

Head teachers update

Well, what another busy week for the children at Guilden Morden. Class 1 children have been designing colourful bugs that they may find at the bottom of the garden. Class 2 have been developing skills of using money in mathematics and investigating Sikhism in RE, Class 3 have been continuing with their English work. The schools council did a brilliant job of asking questions to the prospective teaching candidates this week. I would like to give a special mention to Fred who lead the meetings well and kept everyone on track - well done Fred.

The children in Key Stage 2 enjoyed their trip to the Henry Moore Museum yesterday. They gained a great insight into Henry Moore's work and the sculptures created by him, as well as enjoying the wonderful learning experience. The weather was great for the day. The teachers were proud of how all of the children behaved so nicely.

When leaving any cash at the school office, it would be helpful to place it in a named envelope (with your child's name and class marked on the front). Thank you, in advance for your co-operation in this matter.

Finally, if you do have any concerns or worries please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher or myself.

Pre-School 'The Ark'

We have had a fantastic week at Pre-School finishing off our Spring topic with a visit from David Shaw who brought in some ewes with their lambs. It was a very exciting experience as one of the lambs escaped and they had to get their sheep dog, Kate, to guide it back into the pen.

Sunflowers and runner beans have now been planted in our garden as they were too big for the windows. We have started a new topic of looking at ourselves and the children have produced some lovely self-portraits. Thank you to those of you providing the

items for our mud kitchen and music wall.

Just to remind you that next Friday 26th there will be no school. Enjoy your weekend! :Kristy

Cool School Club

This week we have enjoyed decorating biscuits and planting sweet peas. Despite the rain, our undercover area enabled the children to play outside. Next week we are going to plant vegetable seeds, which we will put into our greenhouse. :Helen & all the staff



Swimming - Resuscitation Training

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

All parents, including Pre-School, 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.

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.

Governors Update

This week the governors and DEMAT have been interviewing for teachers for next year. It was a two day process and there were lots of experienced teachers wanting to work at Guilden Morden. We would like to say that we have successfully appointed three permanent teachers for next year - who come with a wealth of experience and commitment to bring to our school.

We are pleased to announce the successful candidates are:

Mrs Mercedes Berrio, Mrs Dorothy Dunnell (who will continue working with Mrs Debbie Morris) and Miss Louise Fryer.

The governors would like to thank Mrs Cooper for all her hard work and support she has given to Guilden Morden so far and will continue to do until the end of term. We would like to congratulate her on her new role from September, we are sure that her new school will appreciate the enthusiasm she brings. Class organisation for next year will be advised on a future newsletter.

Purple Day - 'Surviving or Thriving'



It has been lovely to see so many children wearing purple outfits today, and they have been doing all sorts of relaxing activities. Learning how to control their breathing patterns and meditating whilst listening to classical music. Reading a story 'The Big Bag of Worries', and therapeutic colouring and painting. KS2 children will show you their creative handshake greeting!

Thank you all for your contributions towards this mental health awareness charity.

AWARDS

This week's Awards have been given to:-

Code of Conduct:

May Wilkinson, Jersey Georgiades, Fox Class and Imogen Weaver

Gold Award:

Scott Davis Roach for his fantastic writing!



Well done everyone !

Thought for the week:

"Lets celebrate our individuality - it's what makes you special..... You!"

Christian value:

'CO-OPERATION'

Genesis 11: 1-4

1 Corinthians 14:40 Proverbs 27:17

We hope to do another newsletter next week, but please do remember that next Friday is our inset /training day and there will be no school for the children.

Kind regards,

Alan Wright

Head teacher

Diary Updates and Reminders

Monday 22 nd May, 3.20pm	Class 3 : Kingswood meeting
Monday 22 nd May	Class 2: Environment Day
23 May, 7pm (45 mins)	Resuscitation Training for Parent Helpers
23 rd May 4-6.30pm	Class 2: Tennis at Melbourn VC
Friday 26 th May	School Closed/ Inset Day
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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