



Guilden Morden Church of England (VC) School Newsletter

Friday 23rd February 2018

Head teachers update

School Improvement:

This week we have been planning a two day science focus as part of British Science week. The school theme will be exploration and discovery and each class will have a specific topic, explorer or naturalist that they will learn about. We will also be having some special visitors and will send out more information about that soon.

New staff member:

Welcome to Amy Hatton, who is now joining us as a Mid-day Supervisor and Cleaner in the 'Ark'. We are delighted to have her as an extra member of our team to help on this very busy part of the day.

Hockey:

Well done to the hockey team: Layla, Millie, Sophie, Isobel, Max and Ben, who represented the school at a local school's competition at Comberton Village College on Wednesday morning. They played well and for a team from such a small school (with some Y4 pupils, when other schools were able to make their teams with year 5 and year 6 pupils) they did a fabulous job to come 6th out of the 12 teams who entered. Once again, they also made the adults proud with their superb behaviour throughout.

School Access:

Commencing MONDAY 26th FEBRUARY for 2-3 days
SCHOOL ACCESS WILL BE THROUGH THE CAR PARK

The car park will be closed to traffic from 8.30am - 3.45pm to allow for your access to the school by a guided pathway through the car park. This is due to renovation work being carried out repairing the paving slabs along the front pathway and towards the back school door.

Pond Clearance:

Safety grid has been installed, and further clearing up has been done. Thank you to all our volunteers as this pond is already starting to look fabulous.

Communication: Please may I remind parents and carers that all communications for their class teachers or assistants should be channelled through the school office, either by telephone or email. Fran will be able to find the opportune moment to relay any messages to the staff on your behalf. We ask if you would please not email the teachers directly. Thank you.

Jeremy Fisher

Class 1 'Robins'



Kyle at KJB Building has kindly donated these safety vests and hard hats to our children. This is a fantastic contribution to our class who will enjoy wearing these once our outdoor and building play commences!

We greatly appreciate this very generous gift and now look forward to developing our construction activities further.

Cool School Club



This week we have been doing a large collage of a dog, using sequins and tissue paper, in celebration of the Chinese New Year 'Year of the Dog'. Children in Spanish Club have new booklets to work from and this week learnt a song about putting on articles of clothing.

Helen & all Staff

P.T.F.A.

World Book Day:

Cake and Secondhand Book stall after school on Thursday 1st March, under the bike shed unless due to weather in the hall. Please send your child with some money if they are attending Cool Club/Spanish on this day, as they will be making a visit to the stall.

Friday 2nd March, we invite children to dress up as their favourite book character. Please donate £1 towards the PTFA funds.

Should you be able to donate secondhand books please leave them at the Reception, and if you could please provide cakes and/or help with the stall it would be greatly appreciated.

Pond 'Tidy Up' Day - Saturday 17th March, 10am
Please hold this date; we need as many helpers as possible for the next tidy-up phase. More details to follow.

'Mother's Day':

The PTFA are holding two workshops to help the children create something lovely to take home for Mother's Day. The cost is £3.50 and is due on **Wednesday 7th March**. It is all taking place during school time and monies can be paid in advance or on the day via the school office. There will be additional items to purchase for other special people in their lives priced between £1-£2 if you wish to send them in with some extra money on Friday 9th March.

Gardening Club:

We are looking to reestablish the gardening club to start after the Easter break. We need volunteers!! If you are interested please express an interest to the office, it will be wonderful to bring this very popular club back to the school - the children love it!

Many thanks.

PTFA



Parents Evening: Please contact Fran in the office to secure your appointment time for Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th March

CUFC Multisports: Please confirm to the office if your child will be continuing Friday multi-sports £17.50 for the next 5 weeks until 23 March.

Indoor Cricket

Indoor cricket training sessions are now underway at Bassingbourn Village College Sports Hall. Sessions for 5-8 year olds run from 5pm-6pm each Friday evening, and for 8-13 year olds at 6pm-7pm.

Sessions are open to both girls and boys and will continue until 23 March, at a cost of £2 per session, pay on the day.

Any queries email RoystonCC@outlook.com or telephone David on 07801 235814

PTFA '100 Club' : January Winners

1st: (£15) K.CATCHPOLE (29)

2nd: (£10) J.WHISKIN (16)

3rd: (£8) J.TYNAN (28)

CONGRATULATIONS!

and thank you so much for your continued support.

AWARDS

This week our awards have been made to :-

	Progress	Conduct & Values
Pre-School	All of class for good work	Mary-Ann Hostler
Class 1	Daniel Taran Noah Speed	Freddie Barnes Ellie Green
Class 2	JJ Datu Jake Lans	Scott Davis-Roach Andrew Speed
Class 3	Layla Gray Chloe Green	Ben Chapman Isobel Moore

Thought for the week:

"Where there is no vision, there is Hope"

George Washington Carver

Collective Worship Theme for the week

The Rainbow People of God

Diary Updates and Reminders	
Mondays	P.E. - new day
1 March	KS2 Cross Country event
1 March, 3.15pm	Secondhand Book & Cake Sale
2 March, Friday	World Book Day Celebration: Dress in favorite Book Character
6 March, 3.30-5pm	Parent Teacher Meeting
7 March, 5-7pm	Parent Teacher Meeting
17 th March, 10 am	Pond 'tidy up' Day - Saturday
23 rd March, Friday	'Sports Relief' Activity
26 th March, Monday	P.E. 'Sports Relief' - 1 mile run

26 th March, Monday 2.30pm & 6.30pm	Parents' Forum All parents welcome to attend
29 March (Thursday)	Easter Holidays

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