



Guilden Morden CofE Primary Academy Newsletter

Friday 7th September 2018

Head teachers update

What a busy week back the staff and I have had. We went up to Ely on Tuesday for the latest element of our Talk 4 Writing Training. Each of our classes is now using this approach and your child should be in a position over this half term to share what they have been doing with you.

We had a very thought provoking day on Wednesday with Ashley Rolfe in the morning, who is a former Guilden Morden pupil and a very experienced trainer, updating us regarding Safeguarding, Child Protection and E-safety and it really struck me how quickly things move on with regards to the internet and the possible risks that children can be exposed to, and a Fire Safety advisor in the afternoon, developing our understanding of fire safety and risk assessment. We are in the process of updating our Safeguarding Policy, in the light of new guidance and legislation, and the new policy will be on our website within the next few weeks.

It was very encouraging that we had 100% attendance in school on Thursday, our first day back, and we have welcomed two new pupils and three new staff. Mrs Wright joins class 2 for part of the week, Miss Whyte is now the teacher for class 3 and Mrs Taran is working as a temporary teaching assistant.

Jeremy Fisher

King Edward VII Pub

Following the Charity Cricket event held at the Guilden Morden Rec and King Edward Pub on 21st July, we are delighted to say the event raised £525 towards the school.

We wish to thank Kirk Saban for his thoughtful generosity and hard work in organising the fund-raising. This money will be extremely useful and be put towards a school project, of which we shall inform you of in due course. Thank you to everyone who participated by attending.

Cool School Club



Club would like to welcome all the children and parents back to school and we are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

Coding Club will commence on Wednesday 19th September for a 5 week course - this will run from 4pm-5pm at a cost of £37.50 for the sessions. The children will join club at 3.15pm, and have a snack first. A registration form will need to be completed. Please inform Club or the office to register.

We look forward to seeing some new faces during the year to enjoy all the activities with us.

Thank you

Helen and all the Club staff.

Road Safety



Having just enjoyed a lovely Summer with the children being outside most of the time, may we remind parents about road safety when coming to school. Children under the age of 10 should not be riding a bike on the road without proper supervision. All children should wear a helmet at all times. It is deemed that children of this age are unable to properly judge distances and speed of vehicles.

Bikeability training is available to children at school in year 5, which enables them to become familiar with their bike and road safety. As a reminder to Class 3 parents this will take place during week of 24-27 September.



School Photographs

Adam Elgood will be coming to the school on Tuesday 11th September to take pupil photographs, along with their siblings. 9am - 11am

MultiSports Activity

Our multi-sports activity club will continue on Fridays, commencing from Friday 14th September. This term is for 6 weeks at a cost of £20 per child. Please register with the office in preparation.

ParentPay

Would parents kindly ensure their child's Parentpay account has sufficient credit for school lunches.

Drama Academy

Please see the attached flyer regarding Helen O'Grady developmental drama lessons. If your child is interested to attend do let the office know.



We would welcome any new volunteers who are able to give some of their time in helping or organising any PTFA matters. Do let the office know if you are able to help at any time. Thank you.

Gardening Club

Sadly, gardening club won't be running this term. We plan to get the area finished over the autumn/winter months with the view that we can start the club up again in the Spring. Please get in touch if you are able to help out in any way - thanks!

Teddy Bear's Picnic!

We will be holding a Teddy Bear's Picnic on Thursday 27th Sept, 3.15-5pm. Tickets will be £5 and this includes a picnic, treats, prizes and lots of fun games. Please save the date and more info will come home next week. All welcome - main school, pre-school, siblings and parents!

Baby and Children's Secondhand Sale

We will be having a stall in Steeple Morden Church on Saturday 22nd September selling second-hand baby and child items. WE NEED DONATIONS!!

If you have any old toys, books, clothes & equipment in good condition that you'd like to donate then please place in the collection box in the office. We also looking for volunteers to help run the stall, so please let us know if you are available for an hour to help out - thanks!

Thought for the week:

"Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?"
– L.M. Montgomery

Collective Worship Theme for the week

New Beginnings

Diary Updates and Reminders

Tuesday 11 th Sept	School Individual & Sibling Photographs
Wed 19 th , 4-5pm	Coding Club, 5 week course
24-27 September	Class 3 -Bikeability Training
27 September	Teddy Bear's Picnic, 3.1pm-5pm
22-26 October	Half-Term Holiday
19 December, (Wed) at 1.45pm	End of Autumn Term 2018

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