



School Newsletter – Friday 14th February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's the end of another busy term! Year 3 have had a delightful time this week as they had a Roman Day experience! They looked wonderful in their costumes and they had a special visitor in all day doing a workshop on Roman life. Year R have been doing some fabulous learning about dinosaurs this term and have been very engaged in their lessons.

Wishing you all a pleasant half term – see you on Monday 24th February 2020.

Mr R. Boyjoonauth
Principal

Request for Volunteer Readers

We are looking for members of our parent/carer community to help read to our children. It is so lovely for our pupils to have the opportunity to read to an adult from outside of school, as well as helping them with their reading.

Year 3 and Year 4

Just a reminder that if you have your own copy of Matilda, please bring it into school next term so that you can read along and participate fully in our Matilda themed lessons!

PE Kit

All children have been asked to take home their PE kits to be washed and ready for PE in Term 4. Please make sure they are returned to school on the first day back including winter tracksuit bottoms and jumper.

Thanks, Mrs Stickings

Coronavirus

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the virus. There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend school as normal. For the latest advice on the Coronavirus outbreak in China, now called Covid-19, for the latest updates please refer to the official UK Government website which is being updated regularly:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

Some of you may be lucky enough to go away during the school holidays. If you intend to travel to mainland China, Thailand, Japan, South Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia or Macau, then read the relevant guidance. If you have returned from these countries, and feel unwell, you should contact NHS111 for further guidance.

What action you can take

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus. Please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses.

Safeguarding

Please remember to use child safety locks and codes on computers. Also, please remind your child how to protect their identity on line. Remember they can use CEOPs an internet site, set up by the police, for the children to access and use if they ever feel unsafe on line. This site can also be accessed from our own school website.

- 1) If your child uses Snapchat, ensure that the Ghost Mode is on, so that the location of the device holder cannot be detected by others.
- 2) If your child uses YouTube, please ensure that the 'Restricted Mode' is switched on.
- 3) If your child uses X-Box, under Family Settings, adults are able to set the device so that if a request comes in, it comes to the nominated adult for approval.

We hope you will find these tips useful. Further useful advice can be found on the NSPCC website:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/technology-toys-and-the-internet/>

Dates for the Diary

Monday 24th February 2020
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Thursday 27th February 2020
Wednesday 4th March 2020
Thursday 5th March 2020
Thursday 5th March 2020
Friday 6th March 2020
Tuesday 10th March 2020
Wednesday 11th March 2020
Wednesday 11th March 2020
Thursday 12th March 2020
Thursday 12th March 2020
Tuesday 17th March 2020
Tuesday 17th March 2020
Wednesday 18th March 2020
Thursday 19th March 2020

First day of Term 4 – children return to school
Book Fair for 4 days – 3:30pm – 4pm
Year's 3 & 4 multi skills
Parents' evening – more details to follow
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World Book Day
Roald Dahl character dress up day
Medway March Music Festival
KS1 – George's Marvellous Medicine Theatre Workshop
KS2 – Matilda Theatre Trip
MYG Tag Rugby
Phoenix Class Assembly
Primary School Indoor Athletics Championships
Library Van
Mothers' Day Lunch – Day 1
Mothers' Day Lunch – Day 2