



NEWSLETTER

Thursday 28th February 2019

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Head talk

Welcome back to what has been a wonderful week of early spring weather. Understandably, the children are clamouring to get back onto the field. Hopefully, it shouldn't be too long but the grass is still very wet and much of the field would start coming into school! We will monitor this regularly so that we can enjoy our field as soon as possible.

This week, we welcomed our 'Open the Book' team who were ably assisted by Class 1. They shared the Parable of the Lost Coin and we reflected on the value each of us have. Class 2 were visited by Mr Baxter, a teacher of Design Technology at Manningtree High School. He worked with Class 2 to build Fire Engines fit for putting out the Fire of London in 1666. The children enthused about the experience! Mr Baxter commented that our children were the most well behaved group he had visited. Well done Class 2!

I have attached to this week's Newsletter our Online Safety Newsletter for March. Please do take the time to read it as it does provide really useful information. Some of you may be aware of one of the latest online crazes called the 'Momo Challenge' that hit the headlines in the media last weekend and we have had some requests from parents for information about it. I have attached a leaflet that should be helpful in increasing awareness and help you keep your child safe online.

Mr. David Larnar

Headteacher

School Dinners

LUNCH MENU FOR W/C 4th March is

WEEK 2.

A reminder that all dinner money must be handed in, on a Monday morning, to the class teacher. The money must be in an envelope, marked with the days the lunches are required, and the child's name. Thank you.

**Parent Consultation
Evening/Afternoon**

Tuesday 12th March (5-9pm) and Wednesday 13th March (3.30-6pm)

REMINDER: Online Booking available until Monday 11th March at 11pm.

No Football Clubs – Monday 11th & 25th March

Please note that there will be NO Football Clubs on Monday 11th & 25th March due to matches with Lawford and Ardleigh.

Year 6 Residential Trip – 1st Instalment Due

Please note that the 1st Instalment of £50 was due by the 8th February. If you have not already paid please could you do so.

Wednesday 20th March – NO Gymnastics Club

Please note that there will be no gymnastics club on Wednesday 20th March due to Tracie having to attend a prior engagement.



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Non Uniform Day – Wednesday 13th February 2019

Thank you to everyone who made a donation on the non-uniform day. £135.95 was raised for the DEN Site. Thank you.

Meeting for 'The Dedham Run' - 7th March @ 7:30pm in The Sun Inn, Dedham

Any volunteers welcome to come and join the committee as we start our planning for this year's run which will take place on the 15th September. This is a large event that raises a significant amount of money for the school each year. We always need help with general manpower, local contacts and ideas. Just come along or for further info you can email:

victoria@victoriabakerpilates.com

With many thanks and kind regards. Victoria

OTHER

Enrichment Activities

Attached to this Bulletin are flyers regarding possible enrichment activities. These are organised by external organisations. Whilst Dedham Primary School is happy to share these opportunities with our parents and students we have no responsibility for them.

Colchester Junior Park Run – Sunday 17th March at 9am

Colchester High School will be once again hosting a 'Take Over' at the Junior Park Run at Old Heath Recreation Ground on Sunday 17th March at 9am.

The Colchester Junior Park Run is a 2K run for 4 to 14 year olds and is organised every Sunday at the Old Heath Recreation Ground. This event is free, but runners are required to register to enter the run. A printed copy of the registration bar code does need to be presented on the day. Additional information including registration links, directions and parking instructions are available via the Junior Park run website at www.parkrun.org.uk/colchester-juniors/.

Staff from Colchester High School will be hosting the marshalling and finish line. Regards

Mrs Kate Cryne - Admissions Registrar
Tel: 01206 217116

Ipswich High School, Woolverstone

Whole School Open Morning – Friday 1st March 2019, 10am

Ipswich High School will be holding an open morning on Friday 1st March at 10am. The Head will be speaking at 10.10am so an early arrival is advised.



From September 2018, Ipswich High School started **admitting boys as well as girls**. We are delighted to welcome all to this event (there is no need to register) and of course, if parents would like to arrange a private meeting with our Head, Ms Carlin, our Prep Head, Mrs Fisher or Director of Sixth Form, Mr Hastings to discuss what the school has to offer, I would be delighted to make suitable arrangements.

Rebecca Geoghegan

Registrar

Reception: 01473 780201

Mistley Cricket Club

Please find attached details of activities that run.

Milsom Hotel in Dedham – Recruitment Days

I work for Milsom Hotels in Dedham and we are holding two recruitment days at Le Talbooth. We would like to engage with parents who might be thinking of returning to work for a day or so a week as we can offer flexible hours to fit in with holidays and the school day.

Best wishes

Sue Bunting, Marketing & PR

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Calendar dates for the spring term

Date	Event
28 th Feb	Parents' Forum (2.15pm)
8 th Mar	Book day – fancy dress Come dressed as a favourite book character
12 th Mar	Parents' Evening
13 th Mar	Parents' Afternoon
2 nd Apr	KS1 Choir at music festival (9:00 – 12:00pm at Heathlands Primary)
5 th Apr	End of term assembly at Dedham Church at 10:00am
8 – 22 nd Apr	Easter holiday