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# MINSTERLEY MONDAY

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## **Clubs this week**

Club	Day	Time	Children	Adult in charge
Martial Arts Club	Monday	3.00-4.00	Years 3 to 6	MD Panthers coach
Toasty Tuesday	Tuesday	10.30	Whole School	PTA
Football Coach Club	Tuesday	12.00– 12.30	Year 5 & 6	Mr Boulton
Mindfulness Club	Tuesday	12.00-12.30	Year 5 & 6	Miss Pugh
Year 5 and 6 Sports Club (football)	Tuesday	3.00 – 4.00	Year 5 & 6	Mr Boulton
Brass Lessons	Wednesday	1.00 – 3.00	Year 4, 5 & 6	Mrs Hawke
Tuba Club	Wednesday	3.00 – 3.30	Year 6	Mrs Hawke
Dance Club	Thursday	10.30-10.50	Whole School	Mrs Hollins
Mindfulness Club	Tuesday	12.00-12.30	Year 5 & 6	Miss Pugh
Year 2 and 3 Sports Club	Thursday	3.00 - 4.00	Year 2 & 3	Mrs Hollins
Percussion Lessons	Friday	9.30 – 11.40	Existing Groups	Mr Maher
Year 3 and 4 Sports Club	Friday	3.00 – 4.00	Years 3 and 4	Mr Boulton

## **Half Term**

School will be closed next week for half term (Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February-Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February) All clubs and activities will resume as normal on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

## **Y6 Activity Day**

A letter was sent out on 28<sup>th</sup> January requesting payment of £10.00 by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February. If you haven't already done so can you please pay this to the school office by Wednesday.

## **Swimming**

Stiperstones class have their last swimming session on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February.

Starting from Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February Caradoc class will be swimming on Tuesdays, can we please request £1.50 donation towards costs. Thank you.

## **School Uniform**

Please I can remind you that school uniform is required to be worn in school at all times. This includes school shoes or boots and not trainers unless there is a medical reason that school is aware of. Tights must be black, white or red. School jumpers or plain red jumpers are to be worn and not children's own hoodies. It is very important that we set high expectations for all of the children to ensure that they are inspired to achieve. I appreciate your help with this matter.

## **Tapestry Workshop**

On Thursday, Miss Thomas is leading a Tapestry workshop for parents in Clee Class. We use Tapestry in school to record observations and development points your children are making. Using Tapestry at home will allow you to see what your child is learning at school with frequent updates of the progress they are making. You are also able to upload your own pictures and share new things that your child has learnt at home. Please attend this workshop if you are able to, if not then please arrange a time for Miss Thomas to support you to sign up as a parent.

## **PTA Film Night- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February –arrive 4.15pm for 4.30pm start finish 6.30pm**

Children from Clee, Wrekin and Caradoc class will be watching The Incredibles (U) Children from Lawley, Stiperstones and Long Mynd class have voted to watch Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie (U). The cost is £2.50, which includes a hotdog and drink along with a film treat pack. Additional snacks will be available for the children to purchase during the film. All children who attend will be entered in a lucky draw and the winners from each group will win the DVD. Your child may bring a pillow or a teddy to cuddle during the film. Please arrive at school from **4.15pm** for a prompt start of the movies at **4.30pm**. Please collect your child at 6.30pm.

## **Breakfast Club**

Thank you for the feedback on breakfast club survey. I am very excited to announce that the breakfast club will be going ahead after Easter. The cost will be £2.50 per session this includes childcare and breakfast for your child. Mrs Fleet is taking a lead on the running of this club and will be the main link to school if you have any questions. You will be able to book places for your children at the main office either as a regular booking or a one off booking however, all payments must be made prior to or on the day you wish to attend.

### World Book Day

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March we are having our very first dress up World Book day. The children will be put in mixed aged groups and be moving around the school completing a range of book activities in each classroom, including a visit from the author Catherine Cooper. We are giving you advance warning to give you the time to put together a costume for this event! £1.00 donation will be going towards to initial set up of breakfast club.

### Reading Dog

We are very fortunate to have been offered the opportunity for a reading therapy dog to come to school once a week and hear some of our pupils to read. The dog is called Freddie and his owner Alice is a former teacher. We will be sending letters home for permission this week for children that have been selected to read to the dog on a weekly basis. Freddie is trained as a therapy dog and has just passed all of his tests. We are hoping that he will be able to start with us after half term. If you have any questions about this please feel free to approach me before or after school.

### Parents' Evening.

This term's Parents' Evening for all children will take place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 2.15pm – 7.15pm From **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February** please sign up for a time on the lists which will be held by members of staff at classroom doors each morning or phone/email the school office to arrange an appointment time. Anyone booking between 2.15pm and 2.50pm will be able to take their child or children home afterwards rather than waiting until the end of the school day.

### Romany Wood Project

Unfortunately there are no further places available.

Tickets for this event can be purchased from the box office at Theatre Severn further details available [www.theatresevern.co.uk/shows/whatson/romany-wood](http://www.theatresevern.co.uk/shows/whatson/romany-wood)

### RSE Policy

This year we have reviewed our RSE (Relationship and Sex Education) policy in line with the National Curriculum expectations. RSE is taught throughout school from Reception to Year 6. Please take the opportunity of reading the policy and asking any questions if you are unsure. A consultation process with parents is open until 25<sup>th</sup> February on this policy so any feedback will be openly welcomed. If you require a printed version of this policy, please ask Mrs Chester in the office.

### E-Safety Competition

Thank you all for helping your child to design a poster for our E-Safety competition. Dakota won the Key Stage 1 competition for her incredible 3D design and Ruby won the Key Stage 2 competition for her fantastic artwork on the poster.



### National Tests

As you may be aware, Year 6 and Year 2 children have SATS tests during May and Year 1 have a Phonic Screening check in June. Children prepare throughout the year in test conditions to ensure that they are able to complete work independently and cope under exam conditions and as a school we try our best to ensure that children do not feel under pressure at this time. Please can you ensure your children are in school during this time so that they are fully prepared and supported whilst these tests are completed

## Dates for Your Diary

Date	Event	Time
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	PTA Film Night	4.30pm-6.30pm
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening	2.15-7.15pm
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day (Children dress up as characters- £1 donation)	8.40am-3.00pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	PTA School Disco	4.00pm-5.15pm
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019	Key Stage 2 Brass Concert- in school (Parents invited)	2.30pm-3.00pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Egg Rolling	2.15pm-3.00pm
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays	
Throughout May 2019	Key Stage One SATS	8.40am-3.00pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	Key Stage Two SATS	8.40am-3.00pm
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Phonic Screen Check	8.40am-3.00pm

## Community News

### Half term activities at Bishops Castle

- David Gibb -

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