



# West Monkton C.E. Primary School Newsletter

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08<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our 'new look' Newsletter. What a fantastic day we have had filled with Dragons, Princesses, Vikings and all sorts of wonderful book characters. We have also had some volunteers on site today, starting to prepare our site ready for the delivery of our Hedgerow Saplings being delivered soon. We are looking forward to all these upcoming improvements.

Kind Regards,

Headteacher

## Important Information

### PTA Easter Egg Donations

A reminder that PTA Easter Egg Donations are due in to school tomorrow, Friday 09<sup>th</sup> March. Tables will be placed outside Reception, and outside KS2. A letter was sent regarding the house point system with the last newsletter. If you are unsure which house your child is in, please ask their teacher. The tables will be labelled with the children's houses, with house points being awarded for each house as follows:

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> – 50 points | 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 25 points |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 40 points | 4 <sup>th</sup> – 10 points |

### ParentMail Changes

Please ensure you have read the communication sent home yesterday regarding our changes to Kingfishers and lunch orders carefully.

### Lunch Menus

Lunch Menus are available via ParentMail today. Menus can be found in the Forms section of your account. Please ensure you complete each form for each week required for the full half term (7 weeks). The forms will no longer be available/visible after Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March as we are unable to add late orders.

Special Diet menus will be available from the office.

### Mr Blackmore

Ahead of Mr Blackmore's anticipated start after Easter, we have been fortunate enough that he has been able to come in to West Monkton each Monday during this half term. This has given him an opportunity to look with outside eyes at our school, to get to know the staff and children, and begin to plan for after Easter.

This Monday, he will be around at the beginning of the day, opening the gates and greeting parents as they arrive. He will have his school badge on, so if you see an unfamiliar face greeting you at the gate (for those who don't yet know who Mr Blackmore is) and you wish to, please take the opportunity to speak to him.

### Easter Holiday Club Bookings

Easter Holiday Club bookings close on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March. If you wish to book your child in, please complete the form on ParentMail and then find the payment items under Payment Items and then in the Shop. We will be putting together a step by step guide for parents use which will be available on the school website and Facebook page soon. In the meantime, please contact the school office.

### Car Park Safety

A reminder that when entering and exiting the school site if walking, please do not walk across the middle of the car park, please use the pavements.

## What's happening this fortnight?

Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Family Learning (last one) 1pm-3pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Puffin Class trip
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Robin Class trip PTA Easter Bingo, doors open 6pm

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	LKS2 Production 6pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	LKS2 Production 9.30am & 6pm Yellow Wagtails Class trip
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Pelican Class trip
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Sports Relief School Easter Service

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## Puzzle Corner



### Dragon Word Search

ADVENTURE	DREAM	MYSTICAL
AWE	FIRE	MYTH
BEHEMOTH	FLYING	REPTILE
CASTLE	GIANT	SCALES
CAVE	GREEN	SORCERER
CLAWS	HOWL	SPELL
COLOSSAL	KINGDOM	TAIL
CONQUER	LEGEND	TREASURE
CUNNING	MAGICAL	VANISH
CURSE	MEDIAEVAL	WINGS
DRAGON	MONSTER	WRINKLED



## House Points Update – Last Term Totals

<b>Emerald</b>	<b>4164</b>
<b>Sapphire</b>	<b>4268</b>
<b>Ruby</b>	<b>4393</b>
<b>Diamond</b>	<b>4585</b>

## Reading Percentages

Percentage of children in the class who have read a minimum of 5 times in the week:

Year 1 - Pelican 55%	Yellow Wagtails 68%
Year 2 - Robin 63%	Puffin 51%
Year 3 - Buzzard 73%	Magpie 72%
Year 4 - Kiwi 44%	Eagle 86%
Year 5 - Crane 87%	Red Kite 85%
Year 6 - Peacock 100%	Peregrine Falcon 94%

Congratulations to Peacock for reaching 100%!

## Community Links in the BACH and at School

### Mondays

Yogalates 9.15am  
 Yoga Vinyasa (start Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> March) 6.30pm-7.30pm  
 Yogalates 6.15pm  
 Taunton Table Tennis 7.30pm-9.30pm  
 ZUMBA 7.30pm

### Tuesdays

Cuppa & A Chat with Rev. Mary 2-2.30pm  
 Yogalates 7.30pm

### Wednesdays

Glow Club 6.30pm (Heathfield Community Hall)

### Thursdays

Yogalates 9.15am  
 Sewing 10am-12pm except 2<sup>nd</sup> week 11am-1pm  
 Yoga Vinyasa 6.30pm-7.30pm  
 ZUMBA 7.30pm

### Fridays

Miranda Boom, Hartbeeps 9.30am-12pm

### Saturdays

Taunton Table Tennis 10am-12pm

## Useful websites and other information

### ParentMail

<http://pmx.parentmail.co.uk/>

### Mathletics (Year 1 – Year 6):

[www.mathletics.co.uk](http://www.mathletics.co.uk)

### Somerset Safeguarding Children Board:

<http://sscb.safeguardingsomerset.org.uk/>

### Online Safety KS1:

[https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5\\_7/hectorsworld/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/hectorsworld/)

### Online Safety KS2:

[https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8\\_10/cybercafe/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/cybercafe/)

### ParentZone:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/>

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