



West Monkton C.E. Primary School Newsletter

Where everyone has the courage and confidence to fly.

26th April 2018

Dear Parents,

With lots of upcoming events being organised by our fantastic PTA, we wanted to take this opportunity to thank them for their fantastic and tireless efforts. The PTA raise valuable funds for the school, helping subsidise class trips such as the Tiverton Toy Museum trip recently enjoyed by KS1, and providing much needed additional items for classes which we would otherwise not be able to provide.

Kind Regards,

Headteacher

Important Information

Lost Property/Uniform

Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's full name, including PE kits, which should be in school every day. Please can you check all items you have at home as we have had lots of reports of missing property lately.

Head lice

There have been cases of head lice in school and we wanted to make sure you were kept informed. Please ensure children are checked on a weekly basis, so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they spread too far.

Reporting Absence

When calling to report a child's absence:

Parent/Guardian/Carer should telephone the school by 9am on the day of absence to confirm the following:

- Child's Name.
- Reason for absence ("unwell" is not sufficient, be specific) this will be recorded on the electronic register.
- Time/Date of any Doctor appointment made.

IMPORTANT: Pupils who suffer diarrhoea/vomiting should not return to school until 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea.

Weather Awareness

With the changeable weather please can you ensure that your child brings a coat, sun cream, and sunhat into school. It has been proven that dehydration leads to a lack of concentration so your child will be encouraged to drink water after break times. Please ensure that your child has a bottle in school which is clearly named.

Bank Holiday

School will be closed on Monday 7th May.

Kingfishers Breakfast Club

Can parents please ensure that if their child/children are booked in to have breakfast that they arrive by 8am. This allows enough time for your child/children to enjoy their breakfast before the second session starts at 8.15am.

SATs Breakfast Club

From Monday 14th May – Thursday 17th May we will be offering a free SATs Breakfast Club for all pupils in Year 6. The club will start at 8am. Please ensure you complete the ParentMail form sent out at the start of the week by Monday 7th May.

Playground Safety

A reminder that bikes and scooters should be dismantled at the gates as you enter the school grounds, this is applicable for children AND adults.

Lunch Menus

New lunch menus will be sent home via ParentMail by the end of next week. Please ensure you complete these forms before the deadline date which will be clearly given when they are sent out. **We will not be able to accept any late orders.**

KS1 Hestercombe Trip

The KS1 Hestercombe Trip takes place on Thursday 10th May. Please ensure permissions forms are completed in advance as no child will be able to attend without permission.

What's happening this fortnight?

Monday 30 th April	Year 4-6 Cross Country at Kings College (4pm)
Tuesday 1 st May	Somerset County Cricket Taster session (KS1)

Monday 7 th May	Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Thursday 10 th May	KS1 Hestercombe Trip

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Puzzle Corner

Can you find the words in the grid below?

British Royal Family

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ROYAL FAMILY	QUEEN	BALMORAL
BABY	KING	ELIZABETH
SON	DUKE	PHILIP
DAUGHTER	DUCHESS	CHARLES
FATHER	PRINCE	DIANA
MOTHER	PRINCESS	WILLIAM
HUSBAND	UNITED-KINGDOM	KATE
WIFE	LONDON	HARRY
GRAND-MOTHER	BUCKINGHAM	CORGI
GRAND-FATHER	WINDSOR	



House Points Update –

Emerald	1259
Sapphire	1032
Ruby	1175
Diamond	1308

Phrase of the Fortnight

“Everyone is a reader...
Some just haven’t
found their favourite
book yet”



Reading Percentages

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

Year 1 - Pelican 49%	Yellow Wagtails 69%
Year 2 - Robin 57%	Puffin 54%
Year 3 - Buzzard 72%	Magpie 76%
Year 4 - Kiwi 38%	Eagle 85%
Year 5 - Crane 66%	Red Kite 68%
Year 6 - Peacock 94%	Peregrine Falcon 94%

Ruby G in Crane class is taking part in the Race for Life, raising funds for a charity close to her heart. She would be very grateful for any sponsors. If you would like to sponsor her, please see Ruby directly.

PTA News

The school PTA non-uniform day has been **changed from Friday 25th May to Friday 22nd June**, this will tie-in with preparation for the Summer Fayre on Saturday 30th June.

Community Links in the BACH and at School

Mondays

Yogalates 9.15am
Yoga Flow (drop in) 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
Pound Fitness 6.15pm (Starting 8th May)
Yogalates 7.30pm

Wednesdays

Glow Club 6.30pm (Heathfield Community Hall)

Thursdays

Yogalates 9.15am
Sewing 10am-12pm except 2nd week 11am-1pm
Pure Pilates (7 wk course starting 12th Apr) 6.30pm-7.30pm
Pound Fitness 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

Somerset Safeguarding Children Board:

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

Online Safety KS1:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/hectorsworld/

Online Safety KS2:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/cybercafe/

ParentZone:

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