

Newsletter

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STE Week

Mrs Marney introduced the school to movement and propulsion, which has been our theme for this week. Miss French and Mrs Wilkins came from Trinity and showed us some exciting experiments in assembly, including making bottles move across the hall, shooting rockets through the air and setting fire to hydrogen. Throughout the week, the children have worked on a variety of challenges, including making balloon cars and experimenting with the affect of friction on movement. The highlight, was the visit from Sean Gould in his hill climb car.

It was great this afternoon to see a number of parents coming in to school to share their pupil's learning. Thank you for supporting us.

Mobile Phones

Children in Year 6 are allowed to bring a mobile phone in to school, however, we would ask that this is limited to children who walk to and from school on their own. From Monday, children should hand their mobile phone to the Class Teacher who will keep it until the end of the day rather than leaving it with the school office. Any phones brought in to school are obviously done so at pupil's own risk.

Attendance

As we enter the Autumn and winter months there will undoubtedly be an increase in illness which means that children may at times be unable to attend school. If this is the case, parents and carers are asked to notify the school office by 9.30 am so that the registers can be updated accordingly. If we do not know the reason for the absence then this will be recorded in the registers as unauthorised.

Our School Lunches

The new menu for Aspens begins on Monday and ParentPay has been updated to reflect this. It is possible to book for a month in advance which should help with the need to pre-order before 8 am. Please note that from next Monday manual orders **cannot** be taken in school.

Uniform

Our policy states that only single stud earrings should be worn in school, however these do need to be removed for PE lessons for Health and Safety reasons. Staff are unable to remove them for pupils so I would ask that parents remove them on PE days if the children cannot do this themselves.

Now that the weather is changing and becoming colder and wetter, please can all children bring a coat in to school. We do take the children outside at break times unless it is heavy rain, and so without coat they will get wet.

Parents Evenings

Sign up sheets will be available in the Dining Hall from 3 pm on Monday. All parents are invited to sign up for an appointment with their child's Class Teacher

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thanks to everyone who supported us last Friday. We raised an impressive £250.

Request

Mr Taylor would like to make us a greenhouse for the children to use and has asked that we collect 2 litre plastic bottles. There will be a container in the Dining Hall for us to collect these.

Mrs E Parish

Associate Headteacher

Diary Dates

07-10-19	Sign up sheets go up in Dining Hall for Parents' Evenings 3 pm
14-10-19	Flu Immunisation (whole school)
15-10-19	Open Morning—EYFS (next academic year) 9.30 am to 10.30 am
17-10-19	Y5/Y6 Local Council am/pm Class 9 and 11
21-10-19	Y5/Y6 Local Council am only Class 10
21-10-19 to	Y6 Bikeability
24-10-19	
25-11-19	Y6 to St Nicolas Church—Coins
22-10-19	Parents' Evening 4.30 pm to 7 pm
24-10-19	Parents' Evening 3.30 pm to 6 pm
25-10-19 to	Half Term
01-11-19	
04-11-19	Pupils Return
11-11-19	LKS2 to Cinema 10 am to 11.40
12-11-19	Infants to Cinema 10 am to 11.40 am
19-11-19	Open Morning—EYFS (next academic year) 9.30 am to 10.30 am
19-11-19	Half Price Book Fair in school.
05-12-19	Whole School to Panto 10 am—Sleeping Beauty (more details to follow)
10-12-19	St Mary's Service 9.30 am (Foundation and Infants)
11-12-19	St Mary's Service 9.30 am (Juniors)
18-12-19	School Closes at 12 noon for Christmas Holiday
07-01-20	Pupils Return

