Newsletter



Monday 13th March 2023 School Office:info@gamesley.derbyshire.sch.uk 01457 853721

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Dear Families,

Thank you everyone for your understanding about the snow closure on Friday. Let's hope that's the end of the wintry weather and we can look forward to some sunny days soon.

Mr Siddall and After School Clubs

As you have probably heard "on the grapevine", Mr Siddall is leaving us to take on an exciting new role as a teaching assistant at a large secondary school. I am sure you will want to join me in wishing Mr Siddall every success in his new career.

Mr Siddall's Tuesday Netball Club, Wednesday KS2 Mulisports Club and Thursday KS1 Multisports Club club will finish next Friday. Many thanks to Mr Andy Fewtrell who has very kindly offered to keep the Monday and Friday football sessions going.

Year 1 Family Dinner Day

As this couldn't take place on Friday 10th March, we have rescheduled it for Friday 24th March. Please let Sarah in the office know if you can still attend and what meals you would like to order.

Willow Wood Sponsored Bunny Hop – Friday 31st March 2023

Once again, we will be supporting the wonderful work of Willow Wood Hospice. A sponsor form and letter with more details will be sent out later this week. Every child will be able to take part regardless of how much sponsor money they raise, and everyone will receive a set of bunny ears and a crème egg to say "thank you" for their efforts.



Comic Relief (Red Nose Day) – Friday 17th March 2023



We'll be marking Red Nose Day this year with a "best joke" competition. Children are invited to submit their favourite jokes (50p per entry) and a winner will be chosen from each class, read out in assembly and displayed in school. Extra entry forms can be picked up from the main hall

The children will also be able to wear red noses in school on 17th March. We still have some of last year's stock available to buy from the school office for £1.00 each. Alternatively you can order this

year's noses directly from the Amazon website here.

Reminder: We are now a Cashless School

This means that everything must be paid for online via Parent Pay including contributions to school trips, water bottles, school dinners and books from the school bookshop (we will give your child a token to exchange for a book once you have paid).

The only exceptions are payments for charity and fundraising events such as Red Nose Day, Discos, School Fairs and Junior fruit, as these activities are managed and paid for through the PTA account rather than the school budget.

If you are experiencing any issues using Parent Pay, do pop into school and one of the office staff will be happy to help you.

Kindness Star of the Week

Our Special Kindness Award was awarded in assembly this morning to Amelia:

Amelia always looks after those around her and greets children and adults alike with a smile and a friendly comment. She is a kind and considerate friend to everyone.

As her reward, Amelia will be spending a lot of time with Maggie this week, walking her on the school field, grooming her and helping Ms Sutherland to train her. Very well done, Amelia!

Our usual Friday Praise assembly will take place again on Friday.

Kindest regards,

Deborah Meredíth

| Wednesday 15 th March 23 | NEU strike action: |
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| | Year 1 Birch, Year 3 Holly, Year 4 Chestnut and Year 5 Elm classes closed. |
| Thursday 16 th March 23 | NEU strike action: |
| | Year 1 Birch, Year 3 Holly, Year 4 Chestnut and Year 5 Elm classes closed. |
| Friday 17 th March 23 | Comic Relief Day |
| Friday 17 th March 23 | Reception Family Dinner Day: 12.00 |
| Tuesday 21 st March 23 | Acorns and Orchard trip to Hartley's Garden Centre and Pony Patch |
| Wednesday 22 nd March 23 | Acorns and some Orchard children Easter Experience |
| Thursday 23 rd March 23 | Year 3 and remaining Orchard children Easter Experience |
| Thursday 23 rd March 23 | Year 5 First Aid Training in school |
| Friday 24 th March 23 | Year 1 Family Dinner Day: 12.15pm |
| Tuesday 28 th March 23 | Year 2 trip to St. Anne's |
| Wednesday 29 th March 23 | Year 1 Bus Tour of Manchester |
| Thursday 30 th March 23 | Easter Disco: 4.00pm to 5.00pm |
| Friday 31 st March 23 | Whole School Sponsored Bunny Hop in support of Willow Wood Hospice |

| Friday 31 st March 23 | School closes for Easter holiday |
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| Monday 17 th April 23 | School Opens for Summer Term 1 |
| Wednesday 19 th April 23 | Year 6 visit to Stockport Air Raid Shelters |
| Tuesday 25 th April 23 | Acorns and Orchard trip to Peak Wildlife Park |
| Thursday 27 th April 23 | Year 3 visit to Heaton Park Synagogue |
| Monday 1 st May 23 | School closed – Bank Holiday |
| Thursday 4 th May 23 | Year 5 Ancient Greece workshop in school |
| Friday 5 th May 23 | Coronation party in school |
| Monday 8 th May 23 | School closed – Coronation Weekend |
| Tuesday 9 th May 23 | Year 6 SATS week |
| Friday 19 th May 23 | Year 4 Ancient Egypt workshop in school |
| Monday 22 nd May 23 | Class Photographs |
| Tuesday 23 rd May 23 | Year 2 Forest School Day |
| Thursday 25 th May 23 | School closes for Summer Half Term holiday |
| Monday 5 th June 23 | School Opens for Summer Term 2 |
| Wed 7 th to Fri 9 th June 23 | Year 6 residential trip to Kingswood Centre in Penistone. |
| Thursday 8 th June 23 | Reception Acorns trip to Formby Beach |
| Tues 13 th – Friday 16 th June | Whole School Art and Poetry Project |
| Wednesday 28 th June 23 | Year 5 trip to Alton Towers |
| Tuesday 4 th July 23 | Year 4 "Come and Play with the Halle" concert in Manchester |
| Wednesday 5 th July 23 | Year 2 trip to Skipton Castle |
| Thursday 6 th July 23 | Year 1 Canal Boat Trip |
| Thursday 6 th July 23 | Year 3 trip to "Crocky Trail" |
| Friday 21st July 23 | School Closes for Summer Holiday |