



Reminders: Image Consent Forms need to be returned ASAP

21st September 2018

Letters: Lego Club/Choir

What's on next week ...				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Woodwind Lessons Science Club 3.20-4.20pm Y3/4 Football club 3.20-4.20pm	Choir 8.20am—8.50am Singing Lessons Guitar Lessons Y1/2 Invasion Games 3.20-4.20pm	Class Photographs Keyboard Lessons Violin Lessons	Drum Lessons Year 4 Swimming Y1/2 Dodgeball 3.20-4.20pm	KS2 Netball 3.20-4.20pm

Message from Mrs Grainger

PTFA Annual General Meeting – Monday 1st October at 6.30pm in the KS2 hall

A huge thank you to the parents that have helped at PTFA events over the last year. Their contribution to our school community has been phenomenal and literally hundreds of pupils have benefitted. You will have seen last week, a letter from some key positions of this group, who for personal reasons cannot continue in their role. They will be greatly missed. Unfortunately, that means the PTFA, as a registered charity, would be unable to continue.

In reality, many people came together to provide events for your children, not just those 3 positions, and so I am hoping that we gather enough support to run similar events this year. As a registered charity or not. Supporting does not mean you have to take one of the roles – ‘hands on deck’ is what we need.

Please come and support this meeting if you are interested in the good work of this group being carried forward. Thousands of pounds are raised during the year as well as the fact that the events provide opportunities for various types of social interaction for families. New faces would be very welcome.

Attendance

Yesterday you were provided with a paper copy of our attendance policy. It can also be found on our website. I have alerted you to the changes in legislation throughout last academic year. Here is a reminder:

No holiday can be authorised. Head teachers may not grant leave of absence for a holiday. Any/all holidays COULD result in a fine being issued.

Head teachers may grant leave of absence for exceptional circumstances. Exceptional circumstances are “exceptional”.

Unauthorised persistent absence of 10 school days in a period of 12 school weeks COULD result in a fine.

10 sessions of persistent late arrival – arriving after registers have closed COULD result in a fine. Registers close at 9.25am, any child arriving after this time is marked as ‘U’ .

If children arrive before registration has closed, they are marked “L” - present, but late.

IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE YOU INTEND OR PLAN TO TAKE YOUR CHILD OUT OF SCHOOL, YOU HAVE A LEGAL DUTY TO LET US KNOW. In every instance, you are encouraged to GIVE AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE WHERE NOTIFICATION OF ABSENCE OR EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES ARE BEING EXPLAINED.

The attendance policy outlines our internal procedure for dealing with persistent absence and lateness. Please be aware that you will be contacted regarding these issues. If you wish to discuss your own concerns regarding your child’s attendance, please contact the school office to book an appointment with myself.

We continue to thank the very large majority of our parents who ensure that their children are in school, on time for each and every day establishing good habits and attitudes for future schools and the world of work and beyond. Thank you.

Gemma Grainger
Headteacher

Year Group Updates

Nursery & Reception

We have had another super week getting to know the children. The children have built strong relationships with adults and their peers. We have been learning all about our family and the children have even made their own family tree. The children have painted their own portrait which will be displayed in the entrance of the Early Years Unit.

In Literacy this week we have been reading the story 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'. We created our own story map and even put actions to the pictures. We have written a list of different foods that the Tiger ate from the story.

In Maths we have been sorting, matching, comparing and ordering different objects such as pom-poms, sorting bears, shapes, vehicles and jigsaws.

Years 3 & 4

Year 3/4 are now really in the swing of the new term and working very hard.

We enjoyed our visit to Beacon Park on Monday where we played on the equipment and saw Scientific forces in action!

Our writing is already improving as we have written a recount including fronted adverbials and different conjunctions.

We have also tried making our own parachutes and discussed the forces involved in how they work.

Thank you for sending in the children's homework this week. This week's homework is maths!

Years 1 & 2

In KS1 the children have been working very hard in their writing by changing a story they know by creating new characters and something they wish for.

In maths, Year 1 have been working on 1 more and 1 less and equal to and year 2 have been spelling numbers in words as well as ordering numbers to 100 and using technical vocabulary like increasing and decreasing.

In theme we have begun to look at materials and their properties by making comparisons of different substances. It has been another great week here in KS1.

Nearly all the children have got a PE kit in school, thank you.

Years 5 & 6

Year 5 have had an exciting week measuring hand span, arm span, height and head circumference. We are looking forward to our exciting Fashion Show where we will show our favourite clothes and poems. We look forward to seeing parents/carers there!

Year 6 have had a fabulous time at Whitemoor Lakes. Please see the school's website for photos. Thank you to parents for ensuring the children were well-equipped for their adventures this week. Please remember that P.E. is on Monday and Tuesday for years 5 and 6. Children will also need to remember to bring a named coat, water bottle and a blue handwriting pen and not biro (these can be purchased at the school office).

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Week Commencing: 10th September 2018

Whole School: 96%

Year Group:	Percentage Attendance:
Reception	97%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	91%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	99%
Year 6	95%

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Come and join us for

Year 6 Open Evening

Thursday 27th September 2018
6.00pm-8.30pm

Morning visits available w/b 1st October.
Please telephone for details.



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Applying for a Secondary School Place

 Children born between 01/09/2007 and 31/08/2008 are due to start Secondary School in September 2019. The deadline for on-time applications is 31st October 2018.

PLEASE NOTE APPLICATION PAPERWORK IS COMING HOME WITH YOUR CHILD ON MONDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER.

THANK YOU.

Parking

 Please may we remind parents/carers that parking is not permitted in the school car parks. Please park courteously on the roads surrounding school. It is also important to ensure that driveways and pavements are not obstructed as this can prove dangerous for other road users, pedestrians and be frustrating for our neighbours. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Asthma Inhalers

If your child has been prescribed an asthma inhaler by a doctor they **MUST** have it **IN** school at all times, even if they have:

- 'Never used it'
- 'Only have it because they went through a bad patch'
- 'Only get asthma in winter'
- 'Have grown out of it'

For children who have been prescribed an asthma inhaler and do not have it in school, parents/carers will be contacted immediately to bring one in. Asthma is far from a minor ailment and is in reality, a killer, when it all goes wrong.

COMMUNITY GAMES **BEACON PARK 2018**

Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th September
12PM - 5PM

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Please can you ensure dinner money payments are kept up to date.

If your balance drops below -£20 you will be required to provide a packed lunch for your child until the debt is cleared. Thank you.



App of the week



Lets do Mental Maths !!

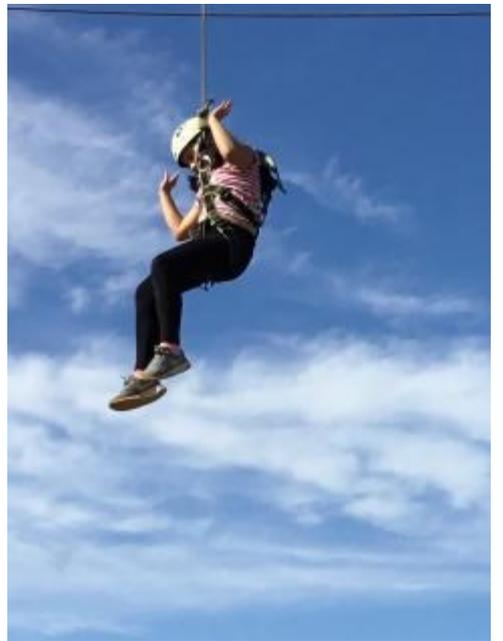
Practise mental maths skills against the clock

Please note that although we check the suitability of applications, they can be changed without notice.

Parents should therefore check the Application **BEFORE** children download them.



WHITEMOOR LAKES 2018



Mrs Grainger visited the children this week at Whitemoore Lakes—they were all very happy and having a great time despite the wind and rain!

