

Devizes (Ragtex) Collection

Collection of recyclable goods will be on 19th April. Please bring items into school on Monday 18th April.

SATs

Year six pupils across the country will sit tests in Reading, Grammar and Mathematics during the week beginning the 9th of May. I am very proud of our year six pupils: they are working incredibly hard and are determined to shine in their assessments. I know from talking with the children that they are being equally well supported at home – thank you, this will make the difference!

Twitter Feed

We are very excited to introduce you to our new Twitter Feed. We intend to use Twitter to share important dates, exciting events and the children's fantastic work with the local community. Our Twitter 'Handle' is 'Mugginton CE' – please come and speak with us if you would like support setting up an account.

HOW

We were delighted to welcome back the Handful of Worship (HOW) team last term. The children enjoyed an entertaining performance with some very cheeky puppets. It was a lovely way to help us to reflect on the key messages of the Easter Story. We look forward to HOW's next performance on the 24th of May.



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Mugginton News

The newsletter of Mugginton C E Primary School

Message from Mr Green

The Easter holidays already seem a distant memory, but I do hope you all had a relaxing break. I have many personal highlights and memories from the previous term. These include our Sport Relief mile run; our visit to Emmanuel Church; visits from Yulia (to introduce us to Russian culture) and entertaining Collective Worship sessions from Reverend Harper. In addition, we have established the Collective Worship Crew (CWC) and look forward to more pupil-led Collective Worship sessions. I would like to thank FOMS for all of their hard work, including the significant role they played in our Easter coffee morning and for the superb parental support our school continues to receive.

This term, we have many more things to look forward to. Firstly, the Juniors go to Lea Green for a three day residential full of exciting outdoor activities and, in the final half-term, the Infants go to Twycross Zoo. In addition, we have the church re-opening, end of term services to look forward to and traditional summer activities such as sports day, bikeability and a whole-school performance (which could well be Shakespeare-related this year!).

FOMS

Thank you Alison Gowdridge, Nicola Beardsley and Jo Salt for helping with the stalls at the coffee morning and to everyone who supported in other ways. We managed to raise a fantastic £273.75.

There is still time to enter a recipe to the book we are hoping to compile, so if you have anything you would like to enter, please could you pass it on by the end of next week.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 20th April at 7pm at school. Everyone is welcome.

Beth Wilson

Brassington Football Match

Last half-term, thanks to the support of a number of parents, we travelled to Brassington for Infant and Junior football matches. Both teams played brilliantly, with fantastic goals scored by Huxley, Alex and Edward amongst others. We look forward to more sporting fixtures this term.

Emmanuel Church Visit

Chris Hadley is a regular visitor to our school and has helped us to develop our knowledge, understanding and ability to think about the meaning of the Bible. On the 24th of May we were given the opportunity to visit Chris, at her church (Emmanuel) in Duffield. We enjoyed a range of activities which helped to bring the Easter story to life, including a re-enacting of the Last Supper and writing our own questions for Jesus. It was a super day and a lot of preparation had clearly been put in to make it run smoothly. We are very lucky to have Chris supporting our school.

Infant Learning for Term 5

English

Lists & Instructions, Information Texts, Humorous Poetry & Rhyme, Contemporary Fiction

Maths

Number & Place Value, Addition & Subtraction, Multiplication & Division, Measurement-Time & Temperature, Money, Geometry, Problem Solving

Science

Animals Including Humans

Topic/ History, Geography, Art & Design

Far East, Asia, Great Wall of China, Painters & Designers from the Far East.

RE

How do we show that we care for others?

PE

Ball Games, Cricket

PSHE

British Values, Values Through Stories

Music

Growth & Change

French

Parts of the Body

Computing

Creating & Publishing, Digital Images

Dinners

School meals are booked 2 weeks in advance. If you would like to change your child's meal option then please give Mrs Horobin 2 weeks notice.

Junior Learning for Term 5

English

Y3/ Y4 - Narrative Fiction & Instructional Texts

Y5/6 - SATs preparation and Narrative Fiction

Maths

Calculation, Position and Direction, Measures, Real-life Problems, My Money Week

Science

Living Things and Their Habitats

PSHE

Human Body

Collective Worship Theme - Forgiveness

RE - Christianity & Hinduism

Y3/4 - Islam and the Muslim way of Life

Y5/6 - What can be learned from the Muslim way of life?

PE

Invasion Games, Striking and Fielding Games

Spanish

The Home, Clothing, Shape

Topic

The Egyptians

Music

Recorders, Using IT to Compose Music

Computing

Using Spreadsheets to Organise and Present Data

Art & Design Technology

Art Inspired by Spain - Gaudi

Extended School Day

We are continuing to run the popular pre-school Early Birds Club from 8am every day and a variety of structured after-school clubs each day until 4.30pm. We have a Cookery club most Thursdays. We strive hard to keep costs for these clubs as low as we can with the average cost being £2.60.

Monday – Tag Rugby **FREE** (Subsidised by Sports Premium)

Tuesday – Derby County Football

Wednesday – French

Thursday – Arts and Crafts

Friday - ICT

May we remind parents that our after school clubs finish at 4.30pm and we would ask all parents to ensure that their child/children are collected promptly as staff often have other meetings to attend.

P.G.C.E Trainee Students

Everyone was very sad to say goodbye to Miss Squires, who starts her teaching career this term. However, we are delighted to welcome two new students, Miss Rawson and Miss Bostock, to our school. Both have already made big impressions on the children and we look forward to working with them this term.

Birthdays this term

Happy Birthday to: Niamh, Alex G, Cathy, Thomas, Kylan, Delainey and Jasmine S who all have birthdays this term.



Staff absence

We make every effort to minimise the impact to the children of any staff absence. Please rest assured that our confident, well-qualified staff and excellent pupil-staff ratios (including a teaching Headteacher) mean the children's planned learning is not affected when staff are not in school.

Governors Academies

While the subject of schools changing to become academies has been around for several years it received particular attention at the beginning of 2016. IN particular, there was a lot of media coverage at the time of the national budget (March 2016) where headlines proclaimed:

"All Schools to become academies by 2022".

Your Governors have kept themselves up-to-date with the academy debate and again discussed the matter at their March 2016 meeting. A statement setting out the school's position on academies was agreed and this is published on the school's website on the Welcome page.

The link in the statement goes to the BBC web page on the subject of academies and is a good introduction to what is rapidly developing in to a political hot potato.

NSPCC visit

The safety of our children is our number one priority. As part of our ongoing Safeguarding work, the teaching staff were joined by staff from two other local schools for a Safeguarding training session at the village hall. In addition, representatives from the NSPCC visited our school for two afternoons to work with our juniors. We all learned more about staying safe online and in our daily lives.

Dates For This Term

11th Apr	Return to School
19th Apr	Devizes (Ragtex) Collection
21st Apr	Lea Green Information to Parents & Juniors
2nd May	Bank Holiday
9th May	SAT's Week
18th May	3 Day Residential - Lea Green - Juniors
24th May	How in Church
27th May	End of Term Church Service-2.30pm-Everyone

Future Dates

6th June	Return to School
16/17th Jun	Bikeability Year 5 & 6
22nd Jun	Whole School Photo
23rd Jun	Bikeability Reception to Year 4
29th Jun	Sports Day-Kirk Langley (please note change)
30th Jun	Infant Trip - Twycross
7th July	School Performance 6pm
8th July	School Performance 2pm
22nd July	End of Year Church Service-2.30pm-Everyone
25th July	INSET day - School closed to pupils
26th July	INSET day - School closed to pupils