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The Mordiford Mail



Dates for your diary...

Happy New Year

I hope that you all had an enjoyable and peaceful Christmas and are full of hope as we begin a new decade and look forward to the year ahead. This spring term we are trialling a new organisation to our morning routines with playtime now at 10.30am instead of 11.00am.

Sadly we said goodbye to Mrs Kerry at the end of term as she is relocating to beautiful Derbyshire we will miss her very much and are very grateful for all of her hard work during the last couple of years. We are advertising for her replacement, however, in the meantime a qualified teacher is supporting Y4 and Y5 as a temporary teaching assistant.

If you have a child who is due to start school this September please remember that you have until January 15th to apply for a place. Please pass on this message to anyone you know who has a child of this age.

Lugg Love Reading

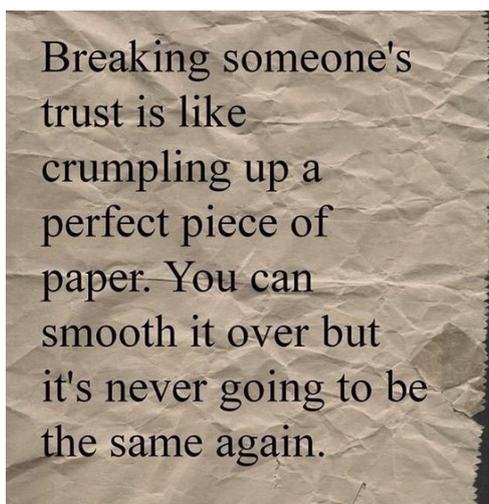
Great excitement in Lugg Class as they have a beautiful new reading corner to enjoy.

Wanted

Lugg Class would be extremely grateful if any parents have any planks of wood they are willing to donate so that they can develop their outdoor area and enable them to create dens/shelters. They are also looking for any no longer needed/broken computers or electrical items that the children can use to take apart and study as part of their current topic of Robots.

Our Christian Value this Half term is

Trust



Spring Term 2020

New dates in bold text

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14th January –3pm Ventures meeting Y4

15th January—Wye Class Worship 9am

21st January– Frome perform The Tempest at the Courtyard

22nd January—Pentaloe Class Cadbury's World Trip

24th January—WWYLD for bingo prizes

24th January– Parent Surgery 2.15pm (more details to follow)

27th January—Frome Courtyard film project

29th January—Lugg Class Worship, followed by Stay and Play

5th February– School Winter Games

6th February– Frome Tudor visit at Hereford Cathedral

7th February—PTFA Valentine Bingo

10th –14th February– Erasmus trip to Finland

12th February– Pentaloe Class Worship

13th February– WWYLD for Project Mala: football kit or fancy dress

Half-term: Monday 17th– Friday 21st February

3rd March– Parent's Meetings

13th-14th March– Y4 Ventures residential

2nd April– KS2 lead Easter service at HolyRood church 1.45pm

3rd April—Break up for Easter

Summer term begins Tuesday 21st April



If you would like to send in a donation in the Children's Society money box candle (given out after our Christingle service) please could you return it to school on Monday so that we can count and bank the money. Thank you.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Miss Finney's Star: Ruby Y2

The Little Cup of Kindness: Cerys Y3

Freddie A (Rec)

For returning to school with a fantastic, focused approach to his work, particularly with his numeracy. Please keep up the 'can do' attitude.

Bryn (Year 1)

Bryn you amaze us every day with your fantastic general knowledge and make us all laugh with your infectious giggle. You are trying very hard to show resilience in the classroom and on the playground. Well done!

Adelaide (Year 2)

Adelaide, you have put amazing effort into all areas of the curriculum this week. You are such a sensitive little girl who shows great compassion towards your peers.

Tigerlily (Year 3)

For settling so positively into Wye Class and making a great start to your career at Mordiford! You are striving to be the 'best you can be' by showing excellent listening skills, values, manners and working hard in all your lessons. Thank you, we are so glad you have joined our school family.

Freya (Year 4)

For settling straight back in and continuously trying your very best throughout all aspects of school. You always set the standards for everyone to follow.

Madison (Year 5)

For your excellent effort during rehearsals for the Shakespeare play this week. You are fantastic!

Allana (Year 6)

You have made a fantastic start to the spring term. In all areas things are clicking into place and you are showing great understanding of the work we are doing. This is not just by chance – your hard work and focus are really paying off. Well done!

Prayer Corner

A prayer of love and trust



I believe in the sun even when it is not shining

I believe in love where feeling is not

I believe in God even if he is silent

(An inscription on the walls of a cellar in Cologne, Germany where Jews hid from the Nazis.)

In the event of colder temperatures and snow-fall our aim will always be to remain open if possible. However, if like last year we experience more extreme conditions we may have to close the school. This decision will be based on safety: road conditions, ability to clear the site, adequate availability of staff. You will be informed of school closures as soon as possible via the school website, Herefordshire Council website: school closure section (you are advised to sign up to their alerts), Twitter and Parent Pay. Where the school remains open it is down to each individual family to decide if your journey is safe.



#FollowTheStar

In December the Hereford Diocese came to visit as record some of our children talking about their Nativity. Please follow the link below to see the #followthestar video...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EgnZawBbQPM>

Chinese New Year—Lunch Booking

AIP have informed us that there will be a change to the menu on Thursday 23rd January to celebrate Chinese New Year. This is now available to order on ParentPay. Please bare in mind if you had already ordered a dinner for that day you will need to log back on a reorder as the menu for 23rd January is now different.

Job Vacancy

Temporary Cleaner for Teme and Frome Class: 7.5 hours a week.

If you are interested or know anyone who would be, please ask them to contact the school office for more information and an application pack.

Spanish Lessons

Classes in the new term will start on **Tuesday, 21st January** (at lunchtime) for years 2, 3 & 4 and will run until 31st March 2020.

Spaces have become available in this group. The class fee is £4.50 per session. If you are interested please contact Alexandra on asanchezhavard17@gmail.com



This week and over the Christmas holidays to ...
Caitlin, James, Jack & Poppy