



Happy New Year!

Welcome back, I hope you have had a lovely holiday with your children. Despite the frosty start, it has been wonderful to hear the classes, corridors and playground full of lively chatter again. The children have come back buzzing with things to share and ready for the term ahead, thank you!



Alongside the regular calendar events, such as performances at the Courtyard theatre for Year 4 & 5, we have a few more 'firsts' happening this term : Year 4 will be going on a 2 night residential trip to Manor Adventure in Shropshire and 10 of our Year 5 & 6 children will be coming on our European trip to Bratislava in March. For the younger children we have set up some new trips, in February, to a local farm to learn about different habitats and classification of animals as well as seeing what happens on the farm at this time of year.

Please do check the calendar dates on the next page to see opportunities when **you can come in to school**, we have class assemblies and Parent drop ins to offer and on the last day of this half term **Friday 14th February** we will be having our International Day. We would love parents to get involved again, perhaps coming and working with a class or contributing to an **International themed exhibition** in the hall; please let your class teacher or class rep know if you would like to get involved with this. **International Day** gives us a wonderful opportunity to celebrate different cultures.

Muddy Clothes

You will have noticed that some of our children have been coming home particularly muddy, we are doing all we can to minimise the mud coming in from the field into the school. If you know your child is someone who struggles to stay clean on the field, **please send in named waterproof trousers (if you have them) or spare school trousers.**

Spring Term Clubs

Just a reminder that clubs start on Monday. You will have received an email confirming your child's space. Some clubs only run for one half term so please ensure to check the clubs letter.

Due to cheerleading club on a Wednesday, twilight club will take place in Year 2 Classroom - collection will be via the fire door located in the staff car park.

£4.50 includes a hot dog and drink.

Wear red, white or pink

Love Disco

Thursday 13th February

KS1 - 4:30-5:30
KS2 - 5:30-6:30

Children will receive a cake from donated bakes.

Book here
<https://mordiford-ptfa.square.site>

Achievements

Well done to Gray for winning the U.S. Kids Golf North London 8 and Under Girls championship.



Dates for your Diary



Date	Time	Event
Thursday 16th January	9:00 - 9:30	Y1 Class Assembly
Monday 20th—Friday 31st January	13:00 - 14:00	Y5 and 6 Swimming
Tuesday 28th January	TBC	Y5 Shakespeare Rehearsal and Performance at Courtyard
Wednesday 29th—Friday 31st January		Y4 Residential to Manor Adventure
Tuesday 4th February	9:00 - 10:00	Y4, Y5 and Y6 Parent Drop in and Parent Information Session - Accelerated Reader
Wednesday 5th February	9:00 - 10:00	Y1, Y2 and Y3 Parent Drop in and Parent Information Session
Wednesday 12th February	TBC	Y2 Farm Trip
Thursday 13th February	9:00 - 9:30	Y6 Class Assembly
Thursday 13th February	See Poster	PTFA Love Disco
Friday 14th February		PTFA Stay and Play International Day
Monday 17th— Friday 21st February		Half Term
Tuesday 25th February	TBC	Y1 Farm Trip
Friday 28th February	11:00 - 22:30 approx	Young Voices - KS2 Choir
Wednesday 5th March	11:30 - 18:30 approx	KS2 Theatre Trip to Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
Thursday 6th March	9:00-9:30	Y5 Class Assembly
Monday 10th— Friday 14th March		Y6 Residential PGL Swindon
Wednesday 12th March	8:30 - 15:30	Y3 Trip to Bishops Wood Field Centre
Monday 24th— Thursday 27th March		Bratislava Trip Y5/Y6 (10 children)
Thursday 3rd April	9:00 - 9:30	Y4 Class Assembly
Tuesday 8th April	TBC	Y4 Moving Targets Rehearsal and Performance at Courtyard
Friday 11th April		PTFA Easter Egg Hunt
Friday 11th April		Last Day of Spring Term