

Friday 7th February 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 6 Bake Sale

A big thank you and well done to Ava, Ellie, Gracie, Liam, Mya and Myles, who baked and sold cakes and raised £121.90, which is going to be utilised in year 6 for resources.



Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 11th February

This year, the focus is 'Together for a Better Internet.' On Tuesday, the children will be doing lots of activities to raise their understanding of the Internet, how they can be being safe when using it and will look at a range of themes including online identity. There is also good advice for parents on the Safer Internet Day site. Please follow this link: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2020>

Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting us between 2nd – 5th March. The children will be able to visit the book fair at lunch time and it will be open to parents after school from 3:00 – 3:30pm in Aston Hall. Come and grab a great book!

Maths Workshop

Would you like to know how your child is taught to add, subtract, multiply and divide at TPPS? Come along and find out! Miss Coomber will be running a workshop (on two dates: Monday 16th March 5:30-6:30pm, and Tuesday 17th March 9-10am) to talk you through the methods, model the process and share the progression across the school. Please indicate on the attached slip at the end of the newsletter if you are able to attend, and the year group(s) your child, or children, are in.

Love of Reading

We value reading and encourage children to read widely and often, with fluency and comprehension. Each Friday, across school children are encouraged to bring in their own reading material from home to participate in Love of Reading. If you have any unwanted age appropriate magazines we would kindly welcome them. When you are out and about look out for text it is everywhere...perhaps your child could share some examples of text on Fridays with their classes? For example: holiday brochure/bookings tickets, menus, cartoons, letters, instructions, jokes, novel/short story, biography/autobiography, math's problems, lyrics, recipes, labelled diagrams, signs, maps, notices, match fixtures, adverts, diary, speech/comic strips, book covers, news headlines, magazine, theatre/sport programs.

Waterstones Visit

I had the pleasure of taking the School Council to Waterstones Book Shop in Milton Keynes today along with Taryn Chapman and Karen Singer. When we arrived, we met with members of the FOTPPS, Sarah, Aimee, Kelly and Nicola who allowed the children to pick £25 worth of books each for the library, based on recommendations from their classmates. We enjoyed a tour around the shop and it was lovely seeing the children chatting about the books to each other, picking out the authors they wanted – all the children behaved beautifully.

Everdon – Year 4

I hope all the staff and children have a fantastic time on their residential trip to Everdon next week. I look forward to hearing all about their adventures.

Always remember to stay SAFE near water – Stay Away From the Edge

What should you do if someone has fallen into the water?

- 1 SHOUT for help and if you can phone 999.
- 2 Ask the person in the water if they can stand up and walk out.
- 3 Throw something inflatable (eg. a football). This could help them stay afloat until help arrives.
- 4 Try to get them to move near to the bank.

For further information you can visit www.canalriverexplorers.org.uk.

Half Term

A reminder that the children break up from school on Friday 14th February and return on Monday 24th February.

Have a lovely weekend.

Claire

Miss Claire Britnell
Executive Headteacher



Yamaha Music Point are taking part in this year's national Learn to Play Day event, and we are opening our doors to the public offering free music taster lessons on Saturday 28 March 2020. We would love to welcome as many of your pupils as possible, and would be grateful if you could forward the attached letter on to your parents to ensure that they are aware of this offer. For further information please use these links: www.waltonhigh.org.uk www.mket.org.uk

Additional schools based police officers for MK

For your information in April, two additional police officers will join those already based in schools around Milton Keynes. Currently there are two dedicated school's officers working in Milton Keynes, their purpose is to reduce crime and victimisation amongst young people and provide a safe and secure school community. Cllr Hannah O'Neill, Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing said: "The partnership between our youth services and schools based policing is incredibly valuable. These additional officers are well placed to provide early interventions and will reinforce the existing model. With their visible presence in schools alongside crime education programmes, they will further support young people most at risk of engaging in crime."

MK Council launches consultation for safer and smarter travel across the city

The Council are asking residents and businesses to comment on their plans for road safety, walking, cycling and sustainable travelling in general around Milton Keynes. You are invited to complete a short online survey to comment on how MK Council can help everyone travel more safely and sustainably. The Council's current road safety proposals include speed reduction measures at known accident hotspots, and investing and enhancing the redway network to make walking and cycling easier and more appealing to local people. They also plan to work with partners to explore ways to minimise accidents and make travel networks more accessible for all. Feedback will help the Council's transport plans. Councillor Martin Gowans, Cabinet Member for Transport said, "I encourage residents and local businesses to take part in our online survey. This will help us understand what's needed for more sustainable transport now and for the future. Your responses will influence how we work with partners to maximise local travel choices." Please follow this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/JCHQCQF>.

Dates for your calendar (these dates may be subject to change and additions – any changes are typed in bold)

Date	Year Group	Visit/Event
10.02.2020	Year 2	MK Museum
10.02.2020	4 (group 1)	Residential group 1 leaves for Everdon
11.02.2020	Whole School	Safer Internet Day
12.02.2020	4 (group 1)	Residential group 1 returns from Everdon
12.02.2020	4 (group 2)	Residential group 2 leaves for Everdon
13.02.2020	1 Parents	Phonics workshop 9 – 9:45am
13.02.2020	Foundation	Aston Martin
14.02.2020	4 (group 2)	Residential group 2 returns from Everdon
14.02.2020	Whole School	School closes at end of session
24.02.2020	Whole School	School opens
06.03.2020	6	RAF Museum
16.03.2020	Parents	Maths workshop 5:30 – 6:30pm
17.03.2020	Parents	Maths workshop 9 – 10am
19.03.2020	Foundation	Pizza Express
24.03.2020	Whole School	Class Photographs (please make sure your children are in uniform, thank you)
03.04.2020	Whole School	School closes at end of session
20.04.2020	Whole School	School opens
29.04.2020	3 and 4	Performance – 1:30pm

29.04.20	3 and 4	Performance 6pm
08.05.2020	Whole School	May Bank Holiday
22.05.2020	Whole School	School closes at end of session
01.06.2020	Whole School	INSET Day – staff only in school
02.06.2020	Whole School	School opens
22.06.2020	5	Residential visit to Oakwood leaves
26.06.2020	5	Residential visit returns from Oakwood
14.07.2020	6	Residential visit to Caldecotte leaves
17.07.2020	6	Residential visit returns from Caldecotte
17.07.2020	Whole School	School closes at end of session
20.07.2020	Whole School	INSET Day – staff only in school
07.09.2020	Whole School	School opens
22.10.2020	Whole School	School closes at end of session
02.11.2020	Whole School	School opens
18.12.2020	Whole School	School closes at end of session
05.01.2021	Whole School	School opens
12.02.2021	Whole School	School closes at end of session
22.02.2021	Whole School	School opens
26.03.2021	Whole School	School closes at end of session
12.04.2021	Whole School	School opens
28.05.2021	Whole School	School closes at end of session
08.06.2021	Whole School	School opens
22.07.2021	Whole School	School closes at end of session

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Name of adult: _____ Child's name and year group: _____

- I will be attending:
- Monday evening (16th March, 5:30-6:30pm)
- Tuesday morning (17th March, 9-10am)

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian)