

Friday 29th November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

The school was awash with shades of blue on 22nd November, when staff and pupils wore blue for Willen Hospice and in memory of our colleague and friend, Ann Knapton. The children wrote on blue leaves in her memory which will be displayed in our Poet Tree corner and then given to her family for them to cherish. Some of our ex-pupils even supported us from secondary school in their own way (see photo). We raised a total of £425.44 which is fantastic. Thank you for your generosity.



School Nurse – Year 6

Don't forget to write in before 9am on Monday 2nd December if you **DO NOT** want your child's height and weight measured when the Nurse is in next week.

Beauty and the Beast – KS1

Please make sure that all payments are received on the School Gateway by Tuesday 3rd December. If we do not receive your payment we will be unable to purchase a ticket for your child. Thank you.

Amanda Shirtcliffe – Para Dressage Athlete.

We are excited to welcome a member of Team GB, Amanda Shirtcliffe, on Wednesday next week. Amanda is a Para Dressage athlete, who in 2012 was diagnosed with Dystonia, an incurable neurological movement disorder which affected her legs, arms, and neck. Amanda will visit the children in both Year 3 and Year 6 and share her experience and achievements with them. We look forward to welcoming her to TPPS.

Christmas Lunch

To avoid disappointment, if your child would like a Christmas Lunch, orders must be placed using Parentpay by Thursday 5th December. No orders will be taken after this date. If you have any questions, please raise these directly with Chartwells.

Hot Lunches

Please remember that all hot lunches must be pre ordered by midnight on Thursday of the previous week. If your child forgets their lunch, a phone call will be made and you will be asked to bring their lunch in. In order to limit food waste the kitchen does not cook extra food, so food cannot be ordered on the day and availability is only possible if a child is absent who has already ordered a meal for that day. Our Chartwell staff always endeavour to make sure every child is fed, but they are limited as to what they can provide. Thank you.

Aspirations Morning – a message from our school council

On Friday 17th January 2020 we are planning on holding an 'Aspirations Morning' at school, where our TPPS parents/carers come in and talk to us about the jobs they do.

This links to our Citizenship & PSHE learning in school, and helps us to develop aspirations for the future by widening our knowledge about jobs and careers we can have when we leave school – helping us to become 'responsible, respectful, active citizens who contribute positively to society'.

If you are happy to join us for the session (or part of it), we would like you to talk about your work, tell us what it was that made you consider that job, outline what you needed to do to get the job you wanted, and bring in images, or equipment to share with us.

Please put the date in your diary, as more information about the 'Aspiration Morning' will be coming out before the end of the term. We look forward to seeing you in school. School Council.

Christmas Fayre – 6th December 2019

Please remember that next Friday is the Christmas Fayre. There will be refreshments and many stalls selling Christmas gifts. If you have pre-paid you will also be able to visit Father Christmas. The fair is in both Aston and Martin Halls and as an extra special treat, our school choir is singing. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Year 5 Parents - Open classroom - Wednesday 11th December 2 – 2.30pm

Year 5 parents are invited and welcome to join us in Year 5 to look at the children's work from the Autumn term. This will be an informal opportunity for the children to share and celebrate their work with their parents. We hope lots of you are able to make it.

Christmas Songs on the Playground- Wednesday 11th December 2.30 - 3pm

On the same afternoon, following on from our open classroom, we would then like to invite you to watch the children sing some Christmas songs on the playground. The children are welcome to bring a Christmas accessory (e.g. scarf, hat, tinsel etc.) for this performance. If it is raining, then this will happen in Martin Hall. We look forward to seeing you there!

Christmas Choir

Don't forget to pop and see our choir perform at the church on Saturday for the lights switch on. They will be performing between 3.30 – 4.30pm. Thank you for your support.

Year 6 Parents

Due to the cost to parents in the run up to Christmas, the year 6 bowling visit has been postponed due to KS2 visiting the panto in December. We will be in touch soon with an alternative date.

Year 6 Residential to Caldecotte

Parents will shortly receive a letter regarding this visit. Please be aware the dates are now Tuesday 14th July to Friday 17th July. Please be assured that the Prom, Year 6 awards assembly and the performance will still take place so that all the children can join in with these activities. Also, the children who are on the residential visit will return to school on Friday the 17th July so that they can enjoy their last lunchtime and afternoon together with all of the year 6 children.

Have a lovely weekend.

Claire

Miss Claire Britnell
Executive Headteacher



Emily's Star Christmas Craft Fair.

This is on Saturday 30th November from 10am to 2pm at Millmead Hall, Wolverton, MK12 5TNJ. Admission is free and there are local craft stalls and activities for children. For further information please visit www.emilysstar.co.uk.

Santa Dash in aid of Willen Hospice – Sunday 15th December at 10am at Willen Lake North.

You can join the biggest festive fundraiser. You can join in with a jolly jog, seasonal stroll or a wintery dog walk, but your Dash will help to support the patients and their families over Christmas. To book your place online please visit www.willen-hospice.org.uk/santadash.

Newport Pagnell Churches

"The Churches in Newport Pagnell invite you to Find the Nativity along the High Street on Saturday 21st December, between 10.15 and 11.30 am. Come along and see whom you can find – the stars, the shepherds, angels, wise men, Mary, Joseph and the donkey (yes, we have a REAL donkey), and many more. Collect stickers on a Christmas Card helping to tell the story of when Jesus was born. We finish with carols at 11.30 outside the United Reformed Church (under the archway opposite Nationwide). All ages welcome."

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

Date	Year Group	Visit/Event
30.11.19	KS1 and KS2 Choir	Choir singing at the church - 3:30 – 4:30pm Lights switched on at 5pm
02.12.19	Whole School	Christmas Post Box arrives
02.12.19	2	Living History Visitor in school
06.12.19	Whole School	Christmas Fayre
09.12.19	Whole School	Foundation Stage dress rehearsal to perform for the whole school
10.12.19	Foundation Stage	Foundation Stage Christmas performance at 10am (Parents Welcome)
10.12.19	KS2	Visit to the pantomime at 12pm
11.12.19	Whole School	Christmas Lunch (order by Thursday 5th December)
11.12.19	Choir	Singing at Kings Arms pub
11.12.19	5	Open Classroom 2 – 2:30pm (Parents Welcome)
11.12.19	5	Christmas songs on the playground 2:30 – 3pm (Parents Welcome)
13.12.19	Foundation Stage	Foundation Stage Christmas performance at 1:30pm (Parents Welcome)
16.12.19	KS1	KS1 dress rehearsal to perform for the whole school
17.12.19	KS1	KS1 Christmas performance at 9:30am (Parents Welcome)
17.12.19	6	Bowling (2pm – 4pm to be collected from Hollywood Bowl)
18.12.19	KS1	KS1 Christmas performance at 1:30pm (Parents Welcome)
19.12.19	Whole School	Christmas Carol Concert at Church (am)
19.12.19	Whole School	Christmas Parties (pm)
20.12.19	Whole School	Christmas jumper day
20.12.19	Whole School	School closes at end of session
06.01.20	Whole School	School opens
17.01.20	Whole School	Aspirations Morning
15.01.19	Sept 2020 starters	Applications for children starting school for the first in September 2020 need to be completed online
10.02.20	4 (group 1)	Residential group 1 leaves for Everdon
12.02.20	4 (group 1)	Residential group 1 returns from Everdon
12.02.20	4 (group 2)	Residential group 2 leaves for Everdon
14.02.20	4 (group 2)	Residential group 2 returns from Everdon
14.02.20	Whole School	School closes at end of session
24.02.20	Whole School	School opens
03.04.20	Whole School	School closes at end of session
20.04.20	Whole School	School opens
08.05.20	Whole School	May Bank Holiday
22.05.20	Whole School	School closes at end of session
01.06.20	Whole School	INSET Day – staff only in school
02.06.20	Whole School	School opens
22.06.20	5	Residential visit to Oakwood leaves
26.06.20	5	Residential visit returns from Oakwood
14.07.20	6	Residential visit to Caldecotte leaves
17.07.20	6	Residential visit returns from Caldecotte
17.07.20	Whole School	School closes at end of session
20.07.19	Whole School	INSET Day – staff only in school