A Small School on a Big Adventure

Newsletter

Monday 13th November 2023

Upcoming events this week:

- Children in Need – spots and dots, own clothes!
- Saplings – Outdoor learning (onsite) - Wednesday
- Swimming for Year 6 – Wednesday
- Carolina's Community Club for parents - Wednesday 9-10am

INFORMATION: Children in Need

On Friday we will fundraise for Children in Need. Children can wear their own clothes – the theme is spots and dots but any outfits are ok! Pay a pound or whatever you can.

Our usual visitors from Homewood School will come to do their dance dash so any spare change children can bring in for this will all go towards Children in Need.

INFORMATION: Carolina's Community Club – MEDITATION CLASS

This week, Carolina has organised a Free meditation class for parents and carers. This will take place 9.15-10.15 in the hall, although you can arrive for 9am.

Meditation & positive thinking for Parents

In a world of stress, conflict and parenting challenges, meditation offers a fool proof method through which we can find balance and peace from within. Through skilful meditation we can develop the inner resources to approach our life and our relationships with our family with greater wisdom and strength.

During this morning session for parents with Tingy, learn to meditate and discover for yourself the inner peace and happiness that naturally arises when our mind becomes still. This feeling of inner peace helps us to cope with the busyness and difficulties of daily life many of our usual problems will fall away and we will feel warm and well disposed towards other children, family and friends, thereby improving all of our relationships.

Parent Wellbeing

This course is suitable for everyone from complete beginners to experienced meditators.

INFORMATION: Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-Bullying week. As part of Children in Need, we will have a special Kindness day on Friday where we will focus on this important subject.

UPDATE: Christmas Fair

The PTFA have been busy planning this event for Friday 8th December after school. More information coming soon but please save the date! Thank you for the kind donations towards the raffle and tombola.

INFORMATION: Christmas Show

Last year we held a whole school nativity in the village hall. Unfortunately, the snow and ice led to the shows being postponed until January! This year, we will instead hold our performances in the school hall. After much consideration, we will have two separate shows – Saplings and Little Acorns together and Young Oaks and Mighty Oaks together.

Due to our limited space, the performances are allocated depending on which class your child is in:

Monday 11th December, 2.00pm – Little Acorns and Saplings parents/carers only
Tuesday 12th December, 2.00pm – Young Oaks parents/carers only
Wednesday 13th December, 2.00pm – Mighty Oaks parents/carers only

We will share more information soon on the shows.

INFORMATION: Singing in the village

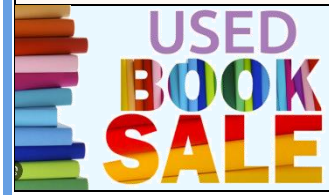
This year we would like to go and sing on the village green at Brook.
This will take place on the penultimate day of term, after school – Thursday 14th December. We would like the Choir to attend as well as many other children and families as possible. Further details to follow.

REMINDER: Young Oaks Class Assembly

Young Oaks will be holding a class assembly on Thursday 23rd November. Parents and Carers are welcome to attend at 9am in the hall.

REMINDER: Mrs Britton's Music Concert

The Choir, Young Oaks Ukulele Players and other musicians will be holding a short concert after school on Friday 24th November. Parents and Carers are welcome to attend. Please can those in Young Oaks and Choir stay after school to perform. If your child is learning an instrument and would like to also perform, please let us know.



THANK YOU: Book Sale!

Thank you for your generous donations of books! Thank you to our PTFA and Kate Gates for organising this event.

2023-2024 Calendar

Every effort will be made to keep these dates in place but please be aware, changes may occur.
Some events are 'to be confirmed' as they are dependent on support/staffing, or dates have not yet been set.
Updates/changes are highlighted.

TERM 2 – 2023/24			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
3	Mon 13th Nov	Remembrance Assembly	9.00am, All welcome (hall)
	Mon 13th – 17th	Anti-Bullying Week	
	Wed 15th Nov	Outdoor learning – Saplings	On-site
	Wed 15th Nov	MEDITATION CLASS for parents	9.15am, all welcome (hall)
	Fri 17th Nov	Children in Need	
4	Wed 22nd Nov	Financial Fitness Class with Carolina	9.00am, all welcome (hall)
	Thurs 23rd Nov	Young Oaks Class Assembly	9.00am, All welcome (hall)
	Fri 24th Nov	Forest School– Mighty Oaks	Off-site
	Fri 24th Nov	Coffee Morning	9.00am, All welcome (library)
	Fri 24th Nov	Mrs. Britton's Music Concert	After school, All welcome, (hall)
5	Mon 27th Nov	PTFA – Own clothes day in return for a donation	
	Wed 29th Nov	Forest School – Saplings	Off-site
	Fri 1st Dec	Outdoor learning – Mighty Oaks	On-site
	Fri 1st Dec	Forest School– Young Oaks	Off-site
6	Wed 6th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day	
	Wed 6th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day	
	Fri 8th Dec	Forest School – Little Acorns	On-site, AM only
	Fri 8th Dec	FUNDRAISER! Christmas Fair	After-school
7	Mon 11th Dec	Nativity 1	2.00pm, Parents/Carers of LA & Sap
	Tues 12th Dec	Nativity 2	2.00pm, Parents/Carers of YO only
	Wed 13th Dec	Nativity 3	2.00pm, Parents/Carers of MO only
	Thurs 14th Dec	TBC - Singing in the village	After-school
	Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Service - St. Mary's Church	9.30am, All welcome
	Fri 15th Dec	End of Term reports issued	
	Fri 15th Dec	**End of Term 2**	

TERM 3 – 2023/24			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	**Tues 2nd Jan**	**Term 3 begins**	
2		Clubs start this week	
3	Thurs 18th Jan	Saplings Class Assembly	9.00am, All welcome (hall)
	Fri 19th Jan	TBC – FUNDRAISER! Movie Night	
4	Fri 26th Jan	Coffee Morning	9.00am, All welcome (library)
5	29th Jan - 2nd Feb	Book Fair	
	TBC	SEN/D Provision Review Meetings	By Invitation
6	Tues 6th Feb	Safer Internet Day	
	TBC	Parents' Evening Meetings	
	Fri 9th Feb	**End of Term 3**	
Forest School and Outdoor Learning days will take place as usual this term. Dates TBC nearer the time.			

TERM 4 – 2023/24

Week	Day/Date	Event	Further information
1	**Mon 19th Feb**	**Term 4 begins**	
	21st – 23rd Feb	Mighty Oaks Residential	3-day residential trip
2		Clubs start this week	
	TBC	TBC - Mrs. Britton's Music Concert	After school, All welcome, (hall)
3	Thurs 7th March	Little Acorns Class Assembly	9.00am, All welcome (hall)
	Thurs 7th March	World Book Day	
4	11th – 15th March	Science Week	
	Fri 15th March	Coffee Morning	9.00am, All welcome (library)
5	Thurs 21st March	Mighty Oaks Class Assembly	9.00am, All welcome (hall)
6	Thurs 28th March	Easter Service – St. Mary's Church	9.30am, All welcome
	Thurs 28th March	TBC – FUNDRAISER! Easter Disco	
	Thurs 28th March	End of Term reports issued	
	Thurs 28th March	**End of Term 4**	
Forest School and Outdoor Learning days will take place as usual this term. Dates TBC nearer the time.			

TERM 5 – 2023/24			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	**Mon 15th April**	**Term 5 begins**	
2		Clubs start this week	
3	Thurs 2nd May	Young Oaks Class Assembly	
4	Mon 6th May	Bank Holiday	
5	13th – 16th May	Year 6 SATs	
6	TBC	SEN/D Provision Review Meetings	By Invitation
	Thurs 23rd May	FUNDRAISER! Whole School Walk	
	Thurs 23rd May	**End of Term 5**	
	Fri 24th May	Staff Development Day 3	
Forest School and Outdoor Learning days will take place as usual this term. Dates TBC nearer the time.			

TERM 6 – 2023/24			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	**Mon 3rd June**	**Term 6 begins**	
	3rd – 14th June	Year 4 Multiplication Check	
2	w/c 10th June	Year 1 Phonics Screen	
	TBC	Transition begins	
3	Thurs 20th June	Saplings Class Assembly	
	Fri 21st June	World Music Day – Music Concert	
4	Fri 28th June	Sports Day and family picnic	
	Fri 28th June	TBC – FUNDRAISER! Summer Fair	
5	*Fri 5th July*	*Back up Sports day (weather!)*	
6	Fri 12th July	End of Term reports issued	
	TBC	Mighty Oaks Camp Out	
7	Tues 16th July	Mighty Oaks' Show	1.30, school hall
	Wed 17th July	Mighty Oaks' Show	5.00, school hall
	Tues 16th July	Parents' Open Afternoon/Evening	
	Thurs 18th July	Year 6 Leavers' Service - St Mary's Church	2.00pm, Year 6 families welcome
	Fri 19th July	**End of Term 6**	
	Mon 22nd July	Staff Development Day 4	
	Tues 23rd July	Staff Development Day 5	
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