

Newsletter

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HEADTEACHER'S AWARD



Due to our snow related closure, Headteacher's awards have been postponed to next week.



FROM MRS MARSLAND

As the weather is due to improve over the weekend, we plan to be open as usual on Monday morning. If that should change for any reason, we will post an announcement on the school website and send out a ParentMail email.

Leo the school dog will celebrate his first birthday next week. The School Council would like to mark the occasion by holding a **non-uniform day** to raise money for the rescue centre in Cyprus that rescued him (Paws4Homes).

On Wednesday 6th February, children may wear non-uniform in return for a donation to the charity collection.

JACKDAWS MUSICAL TRUST'S "YEAR OF THE FLUTE"

We are very excited to be able to tell you that on Wednesday 13th Feb, we will be welcoming award winning, London based flute trio, "Tempest" to school as part of Jackdaws "Year of the Flute" celebrations.

These inspirational young musicians will be giving a special performance to the whole school in the hall. Afterwards, they will lead a music workshop with some of our older children, during which they will learn pieces which they will perform together at a concert at the Cheese & Grain on Tuesday 26th February.

We have taken part in similar Jackdaws' workshops and performances for many years now and have always found them to be amazing musical opportunities, and a lot of fun too!

[jackdaws.org.uk/about/tempest-flute-trio/
tempestflutetrio.org](http://jackdaws.org.uk/about/tempest-flute-trio/tempestflutetrio.org)

NEW SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Thank you to everyone who returned their children's new menu choices so promptly. It helps make a complicated job a lot simpler!

The order has now been placed for the first week of next half term, and we are unable to change it.

If you haven't yet returned your child's choices, please speak to staff on the front desk, so that we can order for the second week back after half term. Please note you will need to send your child to school with a packed lunch for the first week back, commencing Monday 25th February.

EARTH SCIENCE CENTRE TRIPS – YEAR 3

Year 3 children need to wear school jumpers and scruffy bottoms for their trip to the Earth Science Centre at Moons Hill Quarry next week. All children must also bring a packed lunch, and wellies or old shoes/boots in a named bag.

WILLOW – MONDAY ROWAN - TUESDAY

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House Building day in Reception

We had a fantastic day in Ash and Oak Class on Wednesday, building houses for the Three Little Pigs. Using materials like straw, twigs, wood, cardboard and cellophane we glued and tied carefully to make sure our houses stood up against the windy blows of Mr Wolf. We had great fun testing the houses to see which stayed standing and which blew over! Everyone learnt lots about the properties of materials.

A huge thank you to all of the wonderful parents and carers who came to help us. We couldn't have done it without you!



THE NEST



SMSC & Art - We will use stencils and sponges to create a free choice picture.

Cookery - We will make a fruit pudding for snack time.

SMSC - Citizenship. We will read "Being Responsible" and will talk about it afterwards.

PE - We will practise our balancing skills during our Yoga session.

OUR LEARNING WEEK AHEAD

Our Growth Mindset Focus next week will be, **"This may take some time and effort!"**

Reception

English - Retelling the story of The Gingerbread Man
Maths - Addition.
Phonics - Blending and Segmenting to read and write

Year 1

English - Peter Rabbit story writing using a beginning, middle and an end.
Maths - Subtraction within 20

Year 2

Maths - Statistics: pictograms and block diagrams
English - Writing and editing our own bedtime stories.

Year 3

Maths - Division using the 'Bus Stop Method'
English - Recount writing about the Quarry Trip

Year 4

Maths - Division
English - Continuing to use the book "How to Train Your Dragon".

LONG HAIR

Please could parents and carers make sure that long hair is tied back in school every day. It is a sensible precaution, not only for PE lessons, but also for playtimes, classroom activities and to help stop the spread of the dreaded nits...

DIARY DATES

Mon 4 Feb	Window Wanderland Workshops - Year 4
Mon 4 Feb	Earth Science Centre Trip - Willow Class
Tues 5 Feb	Earth Science Centre Trip - Rowan Class
Weds 6 Feb	School Council Non Uniform Day
Feb 11 - 15	Parent Partnership Sessions 9-9.30am
Mon - Rec;	Tues - Y1; Weds - Y2; Thurs - Y3; Fri - Y4
Weds 13 Feb	Year of the Flute - Workshop
18 - 22 Feb	Half Term
27th Feb	Parents' Evening
28th Feb	Parents' Evening
Thurs 7 March	World Book Day
Mon 11 March	Wells Pilgrimage - Year 4
Fri 15 March	Red Nose Day
March 20, 21, 22	Liddington Residential - Year 4
Tues 26 March	Year of the Flute Concert - Cheese & Grain
24, 25, 26 April	Life Bus in school
Mon 13 May	Earth Science Centre Trip - Year 4
Wed 15 May	Class photos
Mon 20 May	Earth Science Centre Trip - Year 4

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