



## What's on this Week – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018

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\*\*\*\*\* 'BE ON TIME, TEN TO NINE' \*\*\*\*\*

### CITIZENSHIP YEAR – WEEKLY QUOTE

“You're braver than you believe and stronger and smarter than you think.” Winnie-the-Pooh

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2.30pm – Celebration Assembly – Outside Achievements</li> </ul>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5.15 – 6.00pm – Mice – Bedtime stories</li> </ul>
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2.40pm – Wacky Wheels Assembly</li> </ul>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day (over school uniform)</li> <li>• School Breaks up at 3.15pm</li> </ul>

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Charity Quiz night that we held on Friday last week in aid of Bristol Children's Hospital's 'Grand Appeal'. The staff and I were very touched that so many people came along to support us in our fundraising quest to support Mrs Millard and baby Jack. I must congratulate the winning team 'The Fundamentals', but I also hope that everyone who took part had a fun evening. I am absolutely thrilled to inform you that we raised an amazing **£640.50** from this event to add to our fundraising total! What an incredible amount of money! There is still time to make a contribution to the charity buckets if you wish, at the Hilperton Year 4/5/6 performances next week or at either site's office. Thank you for your support for this amazing cause. I know that Mrs Millard is overwhelmed at the generosity of our school community and I am pleased to say that Jack is now home and doing very well.

At the end of this term we will be saying farewell to Miss Leah Gee who has worked for The Mead since April 2018. Leah has recently moved and is looking for work nearer to home. Miss Penny will revert to being the class teacher for Ravens with the support of Miss Poole and Miss Robbins (Graduate Teachers). We'd like to thank Leah for her contribution to our school and I'm sure you will join us in wishing her very well for the next part of her adventures.

I hope that you all received the letter sent earlier this week informing you that Mr Rob Cunningham will be leaving The Mead at the end of the academic year. Rob has been appointed as the new Head of the Prep School at Stonar School from September 2019. We will be recruiting for a new Deputy Headteacher in the new year and I will let you know when we have filled the position.

Miss Emma Holton (Head of School)

## TROWBRIDGE STOREHOUSE FOOD BANK

Thank you for all your food donations, you have been very generous. We will be delivering your donations to the Storehouse Food Bank on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Any final donations would be gratefully received.

**INSET DAYS: 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019, 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019**

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### BSC/ASC

We are so pleased that many of you are taking advantage of using 'Child Care vouchers' or 'Tax Free Child Care' to pay for your BSC or ASC bookings. However, from 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019, when we return from the Christmas holidays, we ask that if you are using either of these methods of payments, the funds need to be paid to the school **prior to any booking** (in the same way as we take cash at the window). I am sure you will appreciate that having numerous bookings made without monies being paid to the school is causing a significant amount of administration time in chasing payments.

### BSC/ASC and School Clubs

We are pleased to advise that all clubs notifications will be sent out before the end of term. Please could we therefore ask that if you are booking your child into ASC at any time and they also attend a club on the same night, you choose the correct option on the booking form. Once you have submitted your After School Care booking form for the week/term, any changes must be submitted in writing via a new booking form. We are not able to manually amend existing forms or process refunds without a new form being received. Please note we require cancellation before 3.15pm for the following school day.

### Christmas Fair Raffle Prizes

We still have some raffle prizes from the Christmas Fair that have not been collected. Please can you ensure they are collected by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018. Any uncollected items will be donated to The Storehouse together with our trollies of food.

### Perry and Potter's Weekly Active Challenge

This week is all about timing yourself and improving your personal best. See how long it takes you to do 30 star jumps, 20 burpees or 10 sit ups. See if you can beat your time. If you're out and about this weekend how about timing yourself to see how long it takes to run a circuit in the park or run up a hill.

Mrs Alice Perry, P.E. Lead

### Christmas Lunch

**ALL** children will be given a Christmas Biscuit on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 (Christmas dinner day!).



If your child has any allergies that we are not aware of, please contact to the school office as soon as possible.

### Use of Social Media

Please can we remind all parents not to post pictures of other children to social media without the express permission of their parents or carers. We have a number of Looked After Children in our school community who cannot have their pictures taken. Please respect their safety by following our wishes.

It has come to our attention that on occasions social media is being used to raise and discuss complaints or concerns about the school. Whilst we all understand that everyone feels like having a moan from time to time, it is impossible for the school to resolve any issues if they are not raised with us. I would also ask that respect is shown for our hardworking and dedicated staff team and consideration made for the impact these comments have when they are shared with us. If you do have any concerns, we are very keen to help you resolve any issues; we urge parents and carers to speak to us at any time, either in person at the office or in class, on the telephone 01225759273 or via email: [office@themead.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:office@themead.wilts.sch.uk)

We look forward to hearing from you and working together to improve our school. Thank you for supporting these requests.

Miss Emma Holton (Head of School)

||| **PARKING** |||

||| We are going to trial Ms Moore standing by the double gates in the mornings so if you would like to drop off your child/ren with her, she will watch them through the main gate. This will hopefully help with the congestion and parking along Church Lane. |||



### Sports Reports

#### P.E. kit reminder

We continue to do P.E. even in the winter weather, so it is important that children have the correct P.E. kit in school. Children should have:

- White t-shirt
- Navy shorts and tracksuit trousers
- Navy hoody or jumper. Ideally children should not be doing P.E. in their jade school jumper or cardigan.
- Trainers or plimsolls (different to the old 'field shoes' that children use at playtimes)

Please note that this is our P.E. uniform and children should not be wearing colourful active wear or football strips. It is also helpful that all clothes are clearly named. It is our policy that children will not be excluded from P.E. if they do not have the correct kit. They will have use of our spare kit, which is washed after every use.

#### West Wiltshire Football Finals

After finishing in second place in the Trowbridge League, our Year 6 boys football team qualified for the West Wiltshire Finals, which was held at Kingdown School. The team started well, beating Sutton Veny 2-0 with both goals coming from Toby. We then faced a strong North Bradley team drawing 1-1 with Toby scoring again. A special mention should go to Jack for the job he did in man-marking one of their excellent players. Next, we had back-to-back 3-0 wins against The Manor and Forest and Sandridge, with goals coming from Joe, Louis, George and Toby. Unfortunately, an inspired performance against Christchurch (the eventual tournament winner) from goalkeeper Jack wasn't quite enough as we narrowly lost 2-1, finishing in third place overall.



The team should be really proud of how well they have done. They conducted themselves extremely well on and off the pitch and had some great results against some very strong teams!

#### Hockey Festival



Last Friday a group of Year 4 children went to Warminster School to take part in a Hockey Festival.

First off, they had four sets of training exercises to try out where the staff and students of the school showed them how to use their skills for a match. We then played three 15 minute matches against other primary schools. The children lost 2 matches and won 1, but played brilliantly and gave it their all.

We were so proud of their sportsmanship and politeness to all the other adults and players.



### School Ensemble Instruments

We will be rehearsing in school on Tuesday 18th December. Please can you help your child to remember to bring their instrument to school on that day if they are part of the school ensemble.

### Do you have friends or family looking for school places?

We currently have spaces across the school. Please contact the school office for further details.

### **For the latest secondary school newsletters please use the links below:-**

John of Gaunt

[http://johnofgauntschool.org/information/newsletters-and-  
notices/](http://johnofgauntschool.org/information/newsletters-and-<br/>notices/)

Clarendon Newsletters

<http://www.clarendonacademy.com/parents/newsletters>

### Bad weather and snow



Now that the winter months are upon us with the possibility of extreme weather we would like to draw your attention to a useful link from the local authority of roads that are treated on a precautionary basis for your information –

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/gritting/grittingroutesmap.htm>

At school, the safety of our pupils, staff and parents is paramount to us and as such we would like to inform you of the safe route in and around school, should such conditions arise. We will ensure there is a path around the staff car park and through the gate, through the school playground and down to Pine Martens. The area outside the office will also be gritted.

We are not in a position to grit the road as this belongs to the council. However, in adverse conditions the road leading to the school can be very icy and therefore we ask for everyone to take extra caution when travelling to school.

In the event of school closure we will update our website accordingly, inform local radio stations and send a text via Parentmail X. Please ensure that you have updated your contact details on Parentmail X.



Head Lice

**REMEMBER  
ONCE A WEEK,  
TAKE A PEEK**



**For the attention of  
all parents**

**Will your child be four years old  
before September 2019?  
You must apply for a  
primary school place**

**Apply online at [www.wiltshire.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk)**  
Application forms for Wiltshire residents are available at  
all schools and County Hall

**The deadline for applications is  
Midnight 15 January 2019**

All forms must be returned to the  
school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge  
Ring customer services on **01225 713010**  
for more information or to request our booklet –  
**Finding a primary school place in Wiltshire**

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Future Dates

18 <sup>th</sup> December	Mice Nursery and Reception – Bedtime Christmas stories 5.15pm – 6.00pm
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Lunch
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Break up at 3.15pm
7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Inset day – school is closed
15 <sup>th</sup> January	Youth Sports Ambassador – Civic Centre – Selected children
23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Young Voices – Genting Arena Birmingham
1 <sup>st</sup> February	School Disco – Y1 to Y6
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Night at Wingfield
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Spring Celebration at Wingfield
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Citizenship Community Day
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Inset day – school is closed
14 <sup>th</sup> June	School Disco – Y1 to Y6
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Non School Uniform Day for donations to the School Fair
6 <sup>th</sup> July	School Fair at Hilperton

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This year we have chosen to support the Trowbridge Storehouse Food Bank at Christmas time.

Storehouse Foodbank is a project that aims to support families, couples and individuals in short term need of food and toiletries. Based in Trowbridge, this service began in 2006 in response to a growing need within our community.

We have listed the items below they have particularly requested, but would appreciate any non-perishables or toiletries that you feel would benefit the families. They have, however, requested no more baked beans as they have a mountain of them!!

Tinned pies	Tinned meat	Tinned vegetables including potatoes	
Rice	Pasta	Tinned meals (irish stew, casseroles,)	
Tinned fish	Tinned soups	Tinned pasta (including spaghetti, ravioli, etc.)	
Tinned fruit	Tinned custard	Tinned Rice pudding	
Coffee	Teabags	Long life milk	Sugar
Toilet Rolls	Shampoo	Washing Up Liquid	Soap

We will be happy to receive any donations at the school office after the half term holiday

Thank you for your support with this worthwhile cause.