



What's on this Week – Monday 7th January 2019

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

CITIZENSHIP YEAR – WEEKLY QUOTE

“It has been a long journey, but if you dream and have the ambition and want to work hard, then you can achieve.”
Mo Farah

Monday 7 th January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN
Tuesday 8 th January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:40am School re-opens for Term 3
Wednesday 9 th January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming - selected children • 2:45pm Community Assembly
Thursday 10 th January 2019	
Friday 11 th January 2019	

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't quite believe that the end of term 2 is here already, but we are breaking for the Winter holidays tomorrow. It has been a busy and exciting term with all of our Christmas Performances. We hope that you were able to get involved in some way and that you enjoyed seeing your children perform. If you have any feedback for our staff we would be very pleased to hear from you:

feedback@themead.wilts.sch.uk

As you know, we have been busy raising money for Bristol Children's Hospital's Grand Appeal this December in honour of the amazing work they have been doing supporting some of our families. We held a quiz night earlier in the month where we raise £640.50 and have had collection buckets at every one of our performances which has raised £985.04. This makes our grand total an incredible **£1625.54!** We are touched and grateful for your generosity and know that this money will be really well used to help the families of the sickest and most vulnerable children this Christmas. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

On behalf of everyone at The Mead I would like to say an enormous thank you for all of your continued support of the school. We look forward to welcoming you and your children back to school on Tuesday 8th January 2019. I hope you have a very happy and peaceful holiday and a Happy New Year!

Miss Emma Holton (Head of School)

Trowbridge Storehouse Foodbank

Thank you so much to everyone who donated to our Foodbank Collection. You have all been very generous. We have now delivered the donations to Storehouse in Trowbridge and this means they will be able to support families in need over the Christmas holidays. Thank You!



INSET DAYS: 7TH JANUARY 2019, 20TH 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 8th January 2019, 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.

After School Care

Please be reminded that all children must be collected by an appropriate adult and signed out of the care provision. Children cannot be dismissed to walk home alone.

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@themed.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)

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2020-2021 – CONSULTATION

Wiltshire Council are presently consulting on the School Term and Holiday Dates for 2020-2021. You can view the two proposed options on the Wiltshire Council website, by clicking the link here [Terms and holidays | Wiltshire Council](#)

In essence:

Option 1: Shows a proposed calendar with a **five-day break in October, with term 6 ending on Wednesday 21st July.** This is the option favoured by neighbouring local authorities.

Option 2: Shows a proposed calendar with a **seven day October break, with term 6 ending on Friday 23rd July.**

You can let Wiltshire Council know your views by using any of the following methods:

By email to: directorDCE@wiltshire.gov.uk

By letter to: School Term Dates 2020/21 Consultation, Children's Services, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN

Please submit your views by **Friday 8 February 2019.**

SHEILA PEDLER, BUSINESS MANAGER

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Sports Reports

P.E. kit reminder

If you have any spare PE kit that you would be happy to donate to the school, we are in need of the following:

- White t-shirts
- Navy shorts and tracksuit trousers
- Navy hoodies or jumpers
- Trainers or plimsolls (range of sizes)

Bling Your Bike

On Wednesday, we had a fun time 'blinging our bikes' and 'wackying our wheels' to remind ourselves about staying safe on our bikes and scooters especially now that it is darker earlier. We were amazed to see so many fantastic creations. All the entries were judged by the Health Department of the School Council on criteria including safety, wackiness and uniqueness. The top scorers were shared in assembly in the afternoon and children talked about what they had made. Due to all wonderful entries, the Health Department of the School Council found it tricky to decide upon a winner but they voted for Dilys in KS1 and Nell in KS2. Thanks to everyone who took part. Stay safe on your wheels at this time of year- be seen and be safe!



Santa Dash

Six children, from across the two sites, headed to Farifield Farm College in Dilton Marsh for the Annual Santa Dash. The children were joined by another 300 children from schools across Wiltshire for the event. It may have been a chilly morning but everyone involved soon warmed up once they got their Santa or elf outfit on.

The children had great fun running around the track whilst having snow thrown at them!

Mrs Alice Perry
P.E. Lead



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-notice/>
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.



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Perry and Potter's Weekly Active Challenge

Penguin Waddle - This week's Active Challenge has a winter theme. Can you hold a ball between your legs and walk (or waddle) without dropping it? To make it trickier, change the size of the ball. You could time yourselves to do a circuit of a room in your house, or the garden! Or have a race against some in your family. Have fun!

Mrs Alice Perry, P.E. Lead

Future Dates

Future Dates	
7 th January 2019	Inset day – school is closed
9 th January	Swimming for selected children
14 th January	Community Assembly – PSCO
14 th January	Clubs start this week (Forest School, Woodwork and Debate Club)
15 th January	Youth Sports Ambassador – Civic Centre – Selected children
21 st January	Community Assembly – Wessex Water
23 rd January	Young Voices – Genting Arena Birmingham
1 st February	School Disco – Y1 to Y6
6 th February	Trowbridge Youth Parliament at Clarendon Academy
7 th February	Pine Martens trip to the Arc Theatre
13 th February	Celebration Assembly with Outside Achievements
7 th March	World Book Day
7 th March	World Book Night at Wingfield
20 th March	Trowbridge Youth Parliament at Clarendon Academy
23 rd March	Spring Celebration at Wingfield
25 th March	Parents Conversation Week
1 st April	Forest School, Woodwork and Debate Clubs finish this week
3 rd April	Celebration Assembly with Outside Achievements
4 th April	Pantastic – Whole School Performance
3 rd May	Life Bus comes to Wingfield
6 th May	Bank Holiday – School is closed
18 th May	Citizenship Community Day
20 th May	Inset day – school is closed
22 nd May	Celebration Assembly with Outside Achievements
22 nd May	Trowbridge Youth Parliament at Clarendon Academy
12 th June	Class Photographs at Wingfield
14 th June	School Disco – Y1 to Y6
28 th June	Non School Uniform Day for donations to the School Fair
3 rd July	Trowbridge Youth Parliament at Clarendon Academy
6 th July	School Fair at Hilperton
12 th July	Year 3 to Brokerswood – Long day
24 th July	Celebration Assembly with Outside Achievements
25 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly in St Marys Church
25 th July	School breaks up at 3.15pm for the summer



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

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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