

Dates For Your Diary

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DATES	YEAR/CLASS	EVENT
26th Jan	Year 4,5 & 6	Guitar Performance
26th Jan	Year 2	National Curriculum Testing Meeting (9am)
26th Jan	Year 6	National Curriculum Testing Meeting (2.45pm)
17th Feb	All	Children break up for half term
20th - 24th Feb	All	Half term holiday
27th Feb	All	Children return to school



Our Value Word this month is **Freedom** - the power to act or speak or think without externally imposed restraints.



Our next Parents voice meeting is on Thursday 2nd February at 2pm, all parents are welcome to join us.

Pay for your child's meals online.



As parents in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 are aware we have introduced an online school dinner payment system. If you have not already registered for your online account please register as soon as possible. We want all parents to use this service which will give you control of your child/ren's meal payments.

Library Loyalty Card



Reception and Year 1 are introducing a library loyalty scheme to promote reading for pleasure.

HOW IT WORKS:

After your next visit to the Library on WEDNESDAY'S at 3.15-3.45pm each child will receive a loyalty card and then after each visit the card will be stamped. When your child has collected 10 stamps they can choose a prize from the lucky dip box.

*Come along and borrow a book.
Sharing a book with your child is fun.*



Reading Passports

It is really important that children have a rich and varied reading diet. To encourage our pupils to read a range of books we have launched Reading Passports across the school. By collecting stamps in their passports, the children have the chance to win a Kindle at the end of the year. Please talk to them about their passports and encourage them to get them stamped.





Welcome to Bug Club!

Bug Club is an on-line reading scheme, which allows all children to read books at exactly the right level for them.

If you have access to an internet connection, your child can enjoy reading Bug Club books online at home (including on iPads, iPad Minis and some Samsung Galaxy and Nexus phones).

As well as books, there are also fun quiz questions about each book and your child can earn 'Active Learn Coins'. By reading more books, your child will earn a reward to use in their Bug Club World.

Your child will have bought home a letter recently with their log-in details. Please see your child's teacher if you need another copy.

Visits, Visitors & Experiences

Children will take part in the following visits, visitors and experiences over the next two terms as part of their learning.

Reception will have a story teller visit, Science Immersion Day, Those Who Help Exhibition and a Trip to Ash End Farm.



Year 1 will have a History Exhibition, Curriculum Immersion Day, Royal Ball Experience and a visit from Lego Town Planners.



Year 2 will have a History Exhibition, an Indian Bazaar, Curriculum Immersion Day and a visit from Lego Town Planners

Year 3 will have an History Exhibition, a Walk to Yardley Old Village, Curriculum Immersion Day and Anglo Saxon Experience Day.



Year 4 will have a History Exhibition, Walk to Yardley Old Village, Curriculum Immersion Day, and an Anglo Saxon Experience Day.



The children can find out what visits and visitors are planned in their year group this year by visiting the curriculum board. It is on the wall outside the Learning Mentors office.

Year 5 will be visiting Kingsbury Water Park, Curriculum Immersion day, Carnival Exhibition and a Mayan Experience Day.



Year 6 will have a visit from a Guest Speaker, Curriculum Immersion Day, a Mexico Exhibition and a Mayan Experience Day.

