

# **Newsletter February 2020**

## Breakfast Club / After School Club – New Fees

From term 4 there will now be a fee should your child not be pre booked into breakfast or afterschool club. Please make sure your child is pre booked on via parent pay – if they are not booked on but turn up to either club there will be a £1.50 charge per child per session. We appreciate there will be emergencies where wrap around care is needed last minute but please make sure the school office is informed as soon as possible. We need to ensure there is enough adults to supervise the children, this is impossible to do if your child is not booked on.

Please remember to order hot dinners by midnight on a Thursday for the following week. We are trying to reduce our waste and have asked Eynon to cater for just the numbers we supply so spare dinners are not available. If you have ordered late please inform the school office to ensure your child is added to the list.

#### **Young Voices**

Thank you for all the lovely comments we have had from parents in regards to our recent trip to Birmingham. The children and staff had a fantastic time and was such an incredible experience. We would like to invite parents to come to school on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 2.40 where the children from Maple and Oak will perform a mini young voices concert for you.



#### West Wilts Dance Festival

Miss Wise and her dance team are looking forward to performing on Wednesday at Bath Forum. A mini bus will leave school at 1.30pm to transport them to the event. Please make sure all permission slips are handed back to the office by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February, if you need another one please let the school office know.

Parents Evening forms for 25<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> February are now available in reception

## **Netball Tournament**

Well done to Mrs. Blankley and her netball team who won their match at Emmaus School on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January! Sadly, the tournament at MOCs on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to the weather. The tournament has now been rearrange for Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

## World Book Day

Thursday  $5^{\rm th}\,March$  is World Book Day; St. Mary's will be getting involved in the event with more details to follow.



## **Oak – Literacy Festival**

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January, Oak class (Year 5 and 6) paid a visit to the village hall for the literary festival. The entirety of Oak class worked extremely hard on their handwriting for the poem *In Flanders Fields*, which was illustrated by us, the children. The members of the Friendship group also had a go at writing up the historic poem and the Heads (Henry, Josie, Delphi and Solomon) chose Annette Stone as the winner of a prize. Martha (Year 5) asked the interesting question that won her a dip pen. After that, Mrs. Way gave us a lesson in how to hold a pen. Then, a few more members received prizes. Finally, it was the moment of truth. The prizes were being handed out and the winners were.....

Delphi in 1<sup>st</sup> Kurt in 2<sup>nd</sup> Safiya in 3<sup>rd</sup>

After the prizes (a calligraphy set, a notebook with a pencil and a bookmark) were given out, all of Oak class were given a quality street and a fountain pen. After that, we headed back to school. We thoroughly enjoyed our visit and hope to go again soon. Thank you to the Friendship Group for making us feel so welcome.

(By Josie, Delphi, Henry and Solomon)



# **Selling Your Home?**

Please remember if you are selling your home, Lock and Key Estate Agents generously make a donation to school when a sale is completed. All you need to do is mention the school when you instruct them to sell your home. This applies to anyone so please spread the word!

We are very grateful to Lock and Key for their generous donations to the school.



#### **Key Dates Summary**

- 11<sup>th</sup> February Safer Internet Day 12<sup>th</sup> February - Dance Festival, Bath Forum 13<sup>th</sup> February - Mini Young Voices Concert 14<sup>th</sup> February - Reports Home 14<sup>th</sup> February - End of Term 24<sup>th</sup> February - Start of Term 4
- 25<sup>th</sup> February Parents Evening 27<sup>th</sup> February – Parents Evening
- 5<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> March Oak Class Science Festival at Bath Uni

# **Clubs for this term**

If you have any requests for after school clubs please do let the school office know.

Monday Judo 8am (Contact office for a form)

Tuesday Football 3.15pm – 4.15pm (Book via Parent Pay) FULLY BOOKED FOR TERM 4

Thursday Tag rugby 3:15pm – 4.15pm (Contact office for a form)

TBC 3.15pm – 4.15pm (Book via Parent Pay)

Friday Dance Fit 3.15pm – 4.15pm (Book via Parent Pay)

#### Judo

Judo takes place on a Monday morning with Mark from Devizes Judo, 8.00am – 8.45am; please contact the school office for a form if you would like your child to join.

## **Parent Support Advisor**

Our Parent Support Advisor, Linda Mence, she can be contacted here at St. Mary's on 01225 782223 or at The Manor school in Melksham on 01225 700150.



Breakfast Service Valentine's Special Sunday 9 February St. Mary's School 10:00

Come and join us for our Breakfast Service in the school. Breakfast (and this time there will also be Love Hearts sweets involved!) is served at the beginning of these informal services. There will be lots to take part in including breakfast, crafts and music - no previous church experience necessary. We include a time of open discussion where questions are very welcome. Prayer is also offered to those who would like it.

During our time together, young and old can share breakfast and good company. Everyone is very welcome.

