



Newsletter

February 2020

Safer Internet Day



A reminder that we would like to invite parents or carers of children in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6 to come into school to join your child/ren for the Safer Internet poster challenge, on

Tuesday 11th February at 2pm

We'll provide you with information that may be helpful for your poster so that you can help your child. Parents and carers will go straight to the hall at 2pm, where there will be a short presentation before collecting children from classrooms to create poster designs in the school hall.

KS2 pupils without an adult present will also create posters to enter the competition; they will do this in their classrooms. Our KS1 and Reception pupils will work with their teachers to create their posters, with prizes for the best posters.

The aim of Safer Internet Day is to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively. In 2020, Safer Internet Day in the UK will encourage young people to explore how they manage their online identity, and how the internet shapes how they think of themselves and others.

Witton World Book Day – Friday 6th March



We are again looking forward to celebrating World Book Day. During the day, children will take part in a range of fun and engaging reading activities designed to promote a love of reading. **We will be inviting children and staff to dress in pyjamas and/or dressing gowns on 6th March.**

Our World Book Day also coincides with our non-uniform and cakes day. We would be grateful if Year 3 could donate cakes.

School Disco

A reminder that we have our school disco on Wednesday 12th February, times as follows:

Reception and Key Stage 1: 3.30pm-4.30pm (Children can remain in school from 3.15pm)

Key Stage 2: 4.45pm-6.00pm

Tickets should be purchased via ParentPay.



Holiday Club – 17th February

If you would like your child to attend our Holiday Club on 17th February, please book via ParentPay by Friday 14th February. The cost is £12 per child from 8.30am-3.00pm. Unfortunately, we cannot take children who turn up on the day without prior booking.



Holiday Clubs

This year, we want to extend our 'After-School' care to provide a number of Holiday clubs. These will be led by Ms McKenzie and Mr Graham and will combine a range of fun, engaging activities such as outdoor activities, sport, cooking, games, crafts etc. The plan for each day will depend on numbers and age range attending, therefore it will be essential that the holiday clubs are pre-booked. We plan to offer holiday clubs on the following dates this year, each day from 8:30am to 3.00pm. Children will need to bring a packed lunch.

February Half Term	Monday 17 th February
Easter Holidays	Tuesday 7 th April; Wednesday 8 th April; Thursday 9 th April
May Half Term	Tuesday 26 th May
Summer Holidays	Each day of Week 1 – 20 th , 21 st , 22 nd , 23 rd , 24 th July



The cost will be £12 per child per day.

Parking

Unfortunately, we have received some complaints from local residents about inconsiderate parking, where drives have been blocked by parents dropping children off at school. Please take care when parking and be respectful of residents' access at all times.

As you know, the road outside of school gets very busy at pick up and drop off times and parking can be limited. Wherever possible, we would encourage families to walk with their children to school. It's a great time to chat and get some fresh air and exercise.



Mobile Phones

We appreciate that there may be some circumstances when parents would like their child to have their mobile phone after school. However, children **MUST NOT** keep their mobile phone in their bags in school. They **MUST** be handed into the school office.

Unless absolutely essential, we would advise that mobile phones stay at home.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings take place on 9th and 10th March and will provide an opportunity to look at your child's books and speak to the teacher. A text will be sent out after half term to book appointments.

We hope you all have a lovely half term break. Children return to school on Monday 24th

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Dates for your Diary

Please find below a list of dates for your diary. We do try to give parents as much notice for events as possible. However, this means there may be rare occasions when we need to make a change, although we do try to avoid it.

Tuesday 11 th February 2pm	Safer Internet Day Poster Competition – KS2 parents invited
Wednesday 12 th February	School Disco
Thursday 13 th February 2.30pm	Celebration Assembly with short performance from Y4 Clarinets – Year 4 parents invited
Friday 14 th February	Break for half term
17th February – 24th February 2020	HALF TERM
Thursday 5 th March	Group of children from Y5&6 attend basketball competition
Friday 6 th March	Witton World Book Day – PJs and Dressing gowns! Non-Uniform day – Year 3 cake sales
Monday 9 th March & Tuesday 10 th March	Parents' Evenings Also have RSE resources for parents to view
Thursday 19 th March 2.30pm	Celebration assembly – Year 1 parents invited
Friday 27 th March	Spring Fair and Raffle
Tuesday 31 st March 1.45pm	Easter Egg decorating with families (Reception/KS1 only) KS2 decorate eggs in classrooms
Friday 3 rd April	Non uniform and Year 2 cakes Break up for Easter
6th April – 20th April 2019	EASTER HOLIDAYS
Friday 1 st May	Non-Uniform day and Year 1 cake sales
Thursday 7 th May 2.30pm	Celebration assembly – Reception parents invited
Friday 8th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Week beginning 11 th May	Y6 SATs Week
Thursday 21 st May	Sports Day Option 1
Friday 22 nd May	Sports Day Option 2
Friday 22 nd May	Break up for half term
25th May – 2nd June 2019	HALF TERM
Friday 5 th June	Non uniform and Reception cake sales
Week beginning 8 th June	Year 1 Phonics Check
Friday 3 rd July	Non-Uniform Day
Thursday 9 th July 2.00pm and 5.30pm Friday 10 th July 10.00am	KS2 Performance
Thursday 16 th July 1.30pm	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly for Parents
Friday 17 th July	Break for summer holidays
Break up - 17th July	SUMMER HOLIDAYS

School holidays 2019-2020

Holiday	Closing date	Date re-open for teaching purposes
Spring half term	Friday 14 th February 2020	Monday 24 th February 2020
Easter holidays	Friday 3 rd April 2020	Monday 20 th April 2020
May Day Friday 8th May	Thursday 7 th May 2020	Monday 11 th May 2020
Summer half term	Friday 22 nd May 2020	Tuesday 2 nd June 2020
Summer holidays	Friday 17 th July	Wednesday 2 nd September 2020
October half term	Friday 23 rd October 2020	Monday 2 nd November 2020