



# Miserden CE Primary School

## Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's nearly the end of Term 1 already and so far it's been an exciting start to the year with our annual Cheltenham Literature Festival Trip, the amazing Race for Life and last weeks Art Week.

Next Term's busy schedule will involve the usual exciting events in the run up to, dare I say it, Christmas, which we always look forward.

Please don't forget to check the **Diary Dates** on this newsletter as this will give you all the information that you will need, when to bring in P.E, Outdoor Learning etc!!

With it being half term next week, I would like to take the time to wish you all a restful half term.

Best wishes,

**Mrs Lucie Mitchell**



Hopefully you should have seen a letter in book bags a little while back, stating that we are currently looking for a **Parent Governor**

to join our governing body. The normal term of office is four years, and whilst to become a Parent Governor you must have a child on the school role at the time of election, you do not have to stand down if your child leaves during your term of office.

It is a serious undertaking but enormously rewarding. As a governor you will gain knowledge of how our school operates through training (provided by local authority and diocese), meetings and periodic visits to school.

We need governors who are prepared to give their energy and support to the school, its children and staff.

Please speak to any of the governors or Mrs Mitchell if you would like to know more.

### Clubs NEXT Term (Term 2):

At present we have the following clubs:

Mon—Art (£6 a term)

Tues—Atlas

Wed—Lego (sign up form on the next page)

Thur—Archery.

Fri—No clubs—If anyone is interested in doing a Garden Club, either at lunch time or after school, please let Mrs Hughes know.

We will be only sending out a sign up form for Lego Club for next term, see page 2 of this newsletter.

We will presume that children will carry on with the clubs that they are doing this term. IF there are any changes please let Mrs Hughes know asap.

### 2019 Infant/Primary School:

In Gloucestershire children can start primary school, if their parents wish, in the September of the school year in which they become five.

For children due to start in September 2019 the child's date of birth falls between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015. The school year starts on 1st September 2019.

There is a poster on display as you come into reception that gives you more information. Paperwork for admission is posted out mid-November by GCC, so if you have not received a pack by December you should contact the Admissions Office directly.

### 2019 Secondary School Application:

Quick reminder ... As you are aware the application process for children transferring to Year 7 in September 2019 is open.

The closing date for secondary school applications is **31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**.

At the very beginning of this term, all Year 6 pupils should have received a letter regarding this process. Please if you haven't done so already, we advise parents to submit an application via our Family Portal –

<https://emsonline.gloucestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2FCitizenPortal%2F>

### 🎵 Music 🎵:

We hope your children are enjoying their new lessons since they signed up. Just a little reminder that...

**Violin**— Tuesdays

**Ukulele, Recorder and Guitar**— Thursdays

Please remember to send your child in with their instrument on the day and they will need to bring them home with them, as it is important to practice during the week.

Invoices will be sent back to you from the music tutor, via their instrument cases.

Christian Value of the term is ... Generosity ♥



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I would like my child to join Lego Club (Term 2—2018), starting 31st Oct ...

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Issues: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Details:

\_\_\_\_\_

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Please tear off and pop on your fridge ...

### Dates for your diary:

**Last day of term—19th October**

**Half Term—22nd—25th October**

**BACK TO SCHOOL—29th October**

31st October—Operation Christmas Child—Please hand your lovely boxes in :o)

4<sup>th</sup> November — Miserden bonfire and fireworks

5th November—School Photos

5th November—Caterlink—Bonfire Night Menu Choice

6th, 7th & 8th November—Parents Evening

9th November—Bag 2 School

14th November—Class 1—Reading Meeting

16th November—Children In Need—Spotacular! AFTER SCHOOL cake sale!

25<sup>th</sup> November — Christmas Market

30th November— Cadbury World— Class 1

27th November—4th December—Travelling Book Fair—More info to follow

11th December—Height & Weight (Y6), Height, Weight and Vision (Reception)

17<sup>th</sup> December — Whole school trip to the pantomime, Dick Whittington, (N.B, not Pre-school, normal day at school)

21<sup>st</sup> December — Christingle service in church 1.30pm

21<sup>st</sup> December — Early closure at 2.30pm for the Christmas holidays

### Golden Book Dates:

19/10/2018

09/11/2018

14/12/2018

### Outdoor Learning:

02/11/2018—Class 1

16/11/2018—Class 2

23/11/2018—Class 2

30/11/2018—Class 2

07/12/2018—Class 1

14/12/2018—Whole School, fire and carols



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### 16th November—Miserden Spotacular Fundraiser:

- Please can children come into school with anything spotty—£1 donation for non school uniform day.
- Miserden Bake Off—Please bring in a cake to enter into a 'Bake Off' Competition. £1 entry per cake. They will all be judged by a discerning panel and the winner will be announced during the day.
- The cakes will be on sale after school for 20p a slice, all for the amazing cause of Child In Need.

### Important Notice, Reading at Home—Class 1:

- ≈ Reading diaries and reading books must be brought into school every day.
- ≈ Please make sure that you read with your child every day—Little and often is better than once a week.
- ≈ When you have read with your child, please can you record their reading in their diary.
- ≈ **Reading Meeting—14th November, 3.15pm in Class 1**

### Benefits of Reading Regularly:

Children who read often and widely get better at it.

Reading exercises our brain.

Reading improves concentration.

Reading teaches children about the world around them.

Reading improves vocabulary and language skills.

Reading develops a child's imagination.

Reading helps children to develop empathy.

Reading is a fun.

Reading is a great way to spend time together.

Reading promotes achievement across all subjects.