



March Newsletter

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Dates for your diary:

Friday 13th March
Sport Relief

From Monday 16th March
Parent Consultations

Tuesday 17th March
FUNDRAISER FOR LESOTHO

March 23rd
6 Junior goals
(cricket/football and
basketball) fitted on the
large playground. No
access to this area.

Tuesday 24th March
Shakespeare Class visit to
Mam Tor
And
Goodhall Class to St
Thomas'

Wednesday 25th March
Anning Class to St
Thomas'

Thursday 26th March
Mandela Class to Mam
Tor

Friday 27th March
Public Speaking Final

World Book Day Thursday 5th March

Thank you with your tremendous support for this day promoting a love of reading and also raising money to help children who don't have access to books. The potato characters are absolutely fabulous and making everyone smile. We'll be picking winners from each year group on Monday. We especially appreciated the many book characters represented by the children wearing non-uniform. Thank you for being so creative. We raised over £300 for Bookaid.

Sport Relief 13th March

Tomorrow is Sport Relief Day. You will have received an email with all the details. Please ensure your child has a water bottle and comes to school in sports clothes. We'd love you to join us. Come to school at 10am. The children will have a safety briefing in the hall then set off on their mile+ hour from the hall door. The route has staff along the way but any extra adults not taking part but able to help would be much appreciated.

Dance Festival Year 3 looked amazing as they set off to the Winding Wheel. They have perfected a fantastic performance within the theme 'Rio' and have been performing it with big smiles. We are so proud of them for going on such a big stage and performing to a large audience. Well done everyone.

Year 4 Times Tables I attach a leaflet from the Department for Education regarding the times tables check for year 4s from this summer. Whilst children will be prepared, we will not be presenting this as anything other than a routine part of their day / week. The game Table Mountain (www.interactive-resources.co.uk) and TTRockstars gives them a feel for the quiz. The information is for parents to keep you informed.

Year 6 Statutory Assessments These take place during the week beginning 11th May. The children complete a reading comprehension, maths arithmetic & reasoning, and a grammar & spelling assessment. Their teachers will prepare them well by revisiting aspects of the key stage two phase. Please see the leaflet attached (dated 2019 as I am awaiting a new one). Please speak to your child's class teacher if you would like more information.

Parent Consultations

We look forward to seeing all of you over the week. Please remember that Mrs Crutchley will be in the library with resources we use for our support and extra help programmes. She's also there to answer questions about reading and help anyone understand any of our mathematical calculation work.

LESOTHO FUNDRAISER

I appreciate we have asked you to contribute a lot over the last few weeks. This fundraiser is very special. A past pupil, Madeleine is going to Africa to take wonderbags and shoes. She will be planting trees and helping a community for two weeks. With our help the group of Brookfield students will make a real difference to so many people. Please send any buns in the morning for the afternoon sale. Children can come to school in non-uniform for a donation too. If you are buying a tree, please seal the money inside an envelope.

Creswell Crag, Kelham Island and Young Shakespeare

Year 3 had a fantastic learning experience at Creswell Crag. The activity leaders said how impressed they were with the knowledge our children had about their history learning challenge about the Stone, Iron and Bronze ages. The children were very well mannered and showed enthusiasm for the workshops. A big well done to you all.

Equally brilliant were our Year 6 children who appeared mesmerized by the Young Shakespeare Company experience. The role play and drama have truly inspired some of their best pieces of art and writing. Do have a look during parent consultation week.

Year 4 classes went to Kelham Island this week. They had a great time learning about one of Sheffield's oldest manufacturing sites and how it has moved on.

Forest School

Following extensive training, Mrs Everitt has now started our Forest School aspect of learning. She is trialing use of Holmebrook with the first group of year 4 children before rolling this out across the school. More news to come!

INSET DAYS to July 2021 – school is closed to children on the following dates:

- Monday 1st June 2020
- Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st July 2020
- Wednesday 2nd September 2020
- Friday 23rd October 2020
- Friday 28th May 2021, June 7th 2021 and one to be confirmed.

Brockwell Science Week

This week was British Science Week. With so many trips and events this week we decided to have a Brockwell Science Week. Mr Marriott and Mr Baker will be informing you of the exciting activities, visitors and home learning planned for this wonderful week (see below).

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

We are working as usual, awaiting direction from Public Health England and the Department for Education. We are being more cautious with booking new dates in the immediate calendar (such as the disco which is postponed) and are planning work that can be completed at home. Please look out for a detailed online learning sheet that will be coming home in your child's homework book soon. I will communicate by text and email to keep you informed. Thank you.