

Headlines

Morgan's Vale and Woodfalls CE Primary School Newsletter
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Ofsted Inspection

You will all be aware that the School was Ofsted inspected on Tuesday. I'm sure you will be interested to hear the outcome of the inspection, but those of you who remember previous inspections will recall that there is a Quality Assurance procedure for the judgement to go through before we are able to inform you of the outcome and this may take up to 3 weeks.

However, I can tell you that, as always, the children were a credit to the School and to you as parents. I felt particularly proud to be the Headteacher of our school on Tuesday and to see the children and staff give a great account of themselves to the inspector.

Thank you very much for your messages of good wishes, I'm sure you can understand that inspection is a stressful event for staff, and your support is appreciated. Thank you also to parents who were able to complete the Ofsted Parent View questionnaire – your responses were overwhelmingly positive.

Breakfast Club

I have reviewed the Breakfast Club and After School Club Questionnaires with the governors and we have decided that there is sufficient demand currently for us to start offering this provision in the next couple of weeks.

All the pieces are in place for Breakfast Club and there will be a booking sheet coming out shortly for you to sign up your children. We will review how this is going in Term 6 in readiness for September and, using Breakfast Club as a pilot, we will

decide if there is enough demand for an After School Club too.

Breakfast Club will run from 8am until 8.45am when children will be released from the Club directly into the care of their class teacher ready for the school day. The cost of a session will be £3 and will include a cereal and toast breakfast with a drink. We are aiming to start Breakfast Club from Monday 7th March.

Blessing of New Classroom

The children are also looking forward to another special visitor this Friday (26th). The Venerable Alan Jeans (Archdeacon of Sarum) will be joining us for our Well Done Collective Worship on Friday at the usual time of 9am. After this we will all move to the new classroom for a short thanksgiving and blessing. You are very welcome to join us for this event – it may be a bit of a squeeze fitting everyone into ZigZag Class!

Book Week

We have an exciting range of activities planned for our book week which will be during the **week beginning 14th March**. There will be a letter coming out shortly, but just to give you advanced warning – the Dress as a Book Character day will be **Thursday 17th March!**

Christmas Dates 2016

We've been looking ahead to the calendar dates for the 2016/17 academic year. The standard Wiltshire and Hampshire school term dates have us breaking up very early for Christmas 2016 on the 16th December, which leaves a whole week and a day before Christmas Day, and an early

return to school on the 3rd January in the New Year.

Having discussed this with the governors and local Headteachers we have decided that such an early break up will mean some of our Christmas preparations being pushed back into November and that parents would value holiday time after Christmas rather than most of it before. We have therefore decided to move 3 days holiday from before Christmas to afterwards.

Therefore the last day of Term 2 will be **Wednesday 21st December** (holiday starts on Thursday 22nd), there will be a **TD Day on Friday 6th January** so the first day back for children will be **Monday 9th January**. This will be the same for all the local Wiltshire schools, so school dinners will not be affected.

Diary Dates

Blessing of New Classroom

Friday 26th February 9-9.30am

Hot Chocolate and Cake Event

Friday 26th February straight after school.

School Disco

Thursday 3rd March

Swirls and Stripes: 5.30-6.30pm

Spots and ZigZags: 6.45-8pm

TD Day – School Closed

Friday 4th March

Easter Experience

Thursday 24th March throughout the day in School

Easter Celebration

Thursday 24th March 2.30pm in St Birinus Church

Last Day of Term 4

Thursday 24th March

First Day of Term 5

Monday 11th April