

Headlines

Morgan's Vale and Woodfalls CE Primary School Newsletter
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Cold Weather

It has been a number of years since we have needed to close the School due to bad weather, so it is worth noting what the School procedures are as there is a possibility of significant snow towards the end of the week.

The decision to close the School is never an easy one as conditions can change rapidly first thing in the morning and it will depend on the ability of staff to get into School safely and in sufficient numbers to supervise your children. In the past we have had a delayed start to the School day to allow extra time for teaching staff to travel in – most of which have over a half hour drive to School. The hills and rises approaching the village and School are often the trickiest parts of the journey.

There is an arrangement with Spire FM for Schools to notify them of closures or late openings and any information will also be on the School website, posted via the School's Facebook page. We will endeavour to make a decision to close the School before 7.30am to ensure staff do not make hazardous unnecessary journeys. Please also be aware that our School dinners travel to us from Downton Primary School so lunches may be affected even if our School stays open.

In the past we have tended to stay open when other schools local to us have closed. Hopefully there will be enough snow for us to enjoy, but not too much at the wrong time to make getting to School dangerous. We do go outside in snowy weather so please ensure your child has good winter weather clothing. If

they want to go out in the snow at break times, children will need a change of footwear such as wellies or boots to keep their feet warm and dry.

Obviously snowy days at School are very exciting and we have had lots of fun in the past when everyone has been prepared, sensible and considerate of others.

School Reports

You will receive your child's annual school report on Thursday 29th March. This will contain information regarding your child's progress in Maths, Reading and Writing and an indication of how they are attaining relative to the level expected of children of that age nationally. There will also be a general comment regarding how well they are doing so far this year, how their study skills are progressing, targets for improvement for next term and a summary of the curriculum they have covered.

Parents' meetings are scheduled for after Easter on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th April so you can discuss the progress your child is making in more detail with your child's class teacher.

Parent Questionnaire

It occurred to us that there may be parents, or members of the community that you know, with time, skills and abilities that they would be willing to use to help the School. With this in mind we have put together a short questionnaire of 7 questions that should take 2 or 3 minutes to complete. This questionnaire

can be found through the following link – we will also put it on our Facebook page which will come up on our School website.
www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/HLLJFGK

Diary Dates

Year 5/6 Residential Trip

Monday 5th to Wednesday 7th March

Number Day

Thursday 8th March

A day of fun-filled Maths and number activities. Children can dress in non-uniform clothes with numbers on them! You can also make a donation to the NSPCC.

School Disco

Thursday 8th March

Early Years & KS1: 5.30-6.30pm
KS2: 6.45-8pm

TD Day – School Closed

Friday 9th March

Mothering Sunday Service

Sunday 11th March 10 am at St Birinus Church

Swirls Class to Longdown Farm

Monday 12th March

Parents Information Meeting

Wednesday 21st March 3.30pm – more information to follow

Sport Relief Day

Friday 23rd March – more information to follow

Easter Service

Thursday 29th March 9.15am in St Birinus Church

Last Day of Term 4

Thursday 29th March

First Day of Term 5

Monday 16th April