

Headteacher: Mr Jonathan Rodd

Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

In our KS2 Celebration assembly this morning, we celebrated the following pupils.

Kingsbury: Olivia B, Olivia H, Amelia and Edie

Newtown: Harry, Vinnie, Lillie-Mae and George

Crackmore: Toby, Ami, Alfie and Melissa

I hope that you all had an enjoyable half term break. We enjoyed some sporting success this week as Mr Menage and Miss Wesley took some children to King Arthur's for indoor athletics. The boys came first, the girls came second, and the school finished in third place overall. Congratulations to these children for their achievements and for representing the school so well.

Later this half term, we will be marking World Book Day. The children are invited to dress up as a word on that day, so could dress in sports kits for '*athletic*' or '*sporty*' or in bright, garish colours for '*flamboyant*'. They may choose to have their word on display, but if they choose not to, this will give others the opportunity to guess what their word is. Teachers will be using this as a way of developing the children's vocabulary, introducing them to some new adjectives I'm sure! On Friday 15th March, it is Red Nose Day. Children should wear normal school uniform on this day but may wear red noses to school if they wish (suggested donation £1.00) and there will be another 'Guess the number of sweets in the jar' competition (20p a go) as this proved popular last term! The School Council think that £200 is a realistic fundraising target for the school to aim for....!

We have been busy updating the school website over the past few weeks. If you click on the 'Official Documents' tab and then 'SEND' you will be able to click on various links to learn about the support and teaching and learning practices that teachers use every day for our SEND children. There are also a range of social stories that are available for all families, newsletters and policy documents.

The Milborne Port History and Heritage Group are having a History Day on Saturday 11th May and have asked for the children's help to design some posters. If your child would like to create a poster, please can they do this on A4 paper. There is some information about the day on their website: www.milborneporthistory.org.uk/whats-on Prizes will be given to the winning poster designs so please ensure they are bright, colourful and eye-catching!

Please can I draw your attention to a WhatsApp guide for parents which is accompanying the newsletter this week. This has been produced by National Online Safety and contains some useful guidance for parents and carers.

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Finally, please can I ask those of you who drive to school to park considerately on the roundabout and not park in front of the school gates or across residents' driveways. A number of residents have been unable to get onto or off their driveways recently and access to the school car park is needed at all times, in case of an emergency. Thank you very much for your co-operation.

Dates for the diary

Friday 1 st March	Whole School Celebration Assembly
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day Second hand book sale – run by the PTFA
Friday 8 th March	KS1 Celebration Assembly
Monday 11 th March and Tuesday 12 th March	Parents' Evenings
Friday 15 th March	KS2 Celebration Assembly Red Nose Day Cake Sale – Medlycott
Wednesday 20 th March	Inspire Morning for Crackmore Class in the Hall Medlycott trip to Gore Farm, Trent
Friday 22 nd March	Whole School Celebration Assembly Easter Bop Disco – run by the PTFA
Wednesday 27 th March	Inspire Morning for Medlycott Class in the Hall
Thursday 28 th March	Decorate an Easter Egg competition – run by the PTFA End of term

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Kind regards

Jonathan Rodd
Headteacher