



January 2020

An update from Mrs. White & Mrs Foster

Special Achievement awards for the month:

Stars of the Week:

Isobel Castledine, Harper McCafferty, Eve Brightwell, Dylan Chaffer,
Benjamin Morris-Winter, Jayden Read, Miles Fear, Freddie Hefford,
Dylan Powell, Oscar Reed, Ruby Taylor, Kiera Kavanagh

Exemplary Awards:

Toby Reid, Riley Middleton, Harper McCafferty

Sporting News

Some children have attended a gifted and talented PE course and have completed 3 sessions this month. We have had a couple of cross country competitions since starting our new school year, and the final race will be held on 4th February. Good luck to all those who take part.

Young Voices

On the 27th of January the school choir went to the Birmingham Resorts World Arena and performed as part of mass choir of over 6000 children. As usual the children were a credit to our school and all had an amazing experience. Thank you to all staff for their hard work in getting the children ready, and a huge well done to the children. As always you were FANTASTIC!



Fire Station Visit



Our Reception and Year 1 pupils, as part of their topic of Fire and Ice, visited the Market Harborough Fire Station. A great time was had by all the children, who particularly enjoyed having a go with the fire hoses, and looking inside a real fire engine!



Class News

Kingfishers topic work has included WWII. The class are very excited about their forthcoming trip to Beaumanor Hall, and really looking forward to dressing up! The children have been learning and singing WWII songs, and have written letters from the point of view of an evacuee. The children have also been using "Timetables Rockstars" as part of their maths work, and the class have really enjoyed challenging each other, particularly Mrs Martin!



Blackbirds have had an exciting half term looking at rivers. The children have learnt about parts of a river and rivers of the world. The class have also been to visit our local river to find out how fast it flows by measuring how long it took for an apple to flow under the bridge. A local cat joined us for the trip!



This half term Robins topic is Fire and Ice, and the class have been learning about everyday materials. The class have made amazing robot pictures using different materials. The highlight of the half term so far was a visit to Market Harborough Fire Station where the children were able to see what a modern day firefighter does. The class are looking forward to learning about The Great Fire of London over the next few weeks.

Open Afternoon

We welcomed parents and grandparents into school to be part of our reading workshop. Our next Open Afternoon will be on Tuesday 24th March. Please come into school to join in our Easter RE activities.

School Lunches

Thank you for using Parent Pay to order and pay for your child(rens) school lunches. The system is now working really well! We would ideally like to stop using the paper system completely once we know all childrens' dinners are being ordered via Parent Pay. If you can order lunches in advance for the half term or even term that would be a great help! Thank you for your support.

Parents' Evening

A reminder that the forthcoming parents' evening is due to be held on Wednesday 4th March. Please use the link to select the time for your appointment.



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Parent Helpers in School

If you have any time to spare and would like to come into school to help support our pupils or help support sporting events then please contact the office. You could help with things like: listening to pupils read, supporting art or another practical subject or sharing a particular skill like IT, cooking or woodwork!

Going Paperless

As you know, from the beginning of this term, we have been sending all letters, newsletters and other communications by email to achieve both economic and ecological benefits of saving paper. Please make sure we have your email addresses. All letters and newsletters will also be available on the school website.

Warm Clothing

As it is getting colder, please ensure your child has appropriate, named, outdoor clothing and footwear as we endeavour to get outside every day - whatever the weather. Thank you.

Free School Meals

If you are receiving a qualifying benefit your child may be eligible for Free School Meals - please call School Food Support on 0116 305 6588 to check. By registering you may also receive financial help for school trips and other activities. Please note this differs from the Universal Free School Meal system for children in Reception/Y1/Y2.

Dates for the Diary

February

4th Last Cross Country Race

6th LADS Martial Arts Sessions start in school for 6 weeks – invited children

10th Blackbirds class – Science workshop trip to Welland Park – transport provided – morning only event

11th WWII Day at Beaumanor Hall for Kingfishers class & St Andrews children

14th Sausage breakfast – 8.30am all parents/carers welcome

14th Last day of term – break for half term



Term Dates

Academic Year 2019-20

Spring Term School Opens - Monday 6th January 2020

Mid-Term Break - 17th to 21st February 2020

School Closes - Friday 3rd April 2020

Summer Term

School Opens - Monday 20th April 2020

Mid-Term Break - 25th to 29th May 2020

School Closes - Friday 10th July 2020

Please note: This year's Early May Bank Holiday has been moved to Friday 8th May 2020 (VE Day).

Academic Year 2020-21

Autumn Term

School Opens - Wednesday 26th August 2020

August Bank Holiday - Monday 31st August 2020

Mid-Term Break 19th to 23rd October 2020

School Closes - Friday 18th December 2020

Spring Term

School Opens – Tuesday 5th January 2021

Half Term Break – Monday 15th – 19th February 2021

School Closes – Friday 26th March 2021

Summer Term

School Opens – Monday 12th April 2021

May Day – Monday 3rd May 2021

Half Term Break – Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June 2021

School Closes – 9th July 2021