

The M Paper

Thursday 9th January 2020

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! It's always such a busy holiday! We had a lovely time and managed to see most of our family and friends over the two weeks. I always love coming back in January though and hearing all the excitement from the children about what they got up to over Christmas, and this year was no different!

This Spring term has already brought about a few changes. Sadly we've had to say goodbye to Jack in Saplings who moved house over Christmas so won't be returning to school this January, however we're very excited to welcome Noah into Sapling Class who has just moved to the area and started this week. I also wanted to formally welcome Mrs Sally Rowe who has taken over Ms MD's hours and is working mainly in Squirrels, but also in other classes too!

There are already many exciting things planned (and already happening!) for this term. The children are loving Eco-week and been very enthusiastic about many projects and ideas that they've been carrying out! It's such a privilege to see the smiles on the children's faces every day and I'm sure it's going to be another fantastic term!

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New Year's Resolutions – Lateness/Absence

I am concerned with a number of families arriving late to school. Please can you ensure as a New Year's Resolution, you leave a few minutes earlier in order for your child/ren to start their school day in a relaxed and positive way. We ring the bell at 8:45am and teachers start teaching at 8:50am. Even being a few minutes late has a large impact on children.

Absence – I'm also still very concerned about the whole school absence figures. Of course, if your child is unwell, they shouldn't be in school, but unless it's an exceptional circumstance, they must be in school. Wherever possible, appointments (e.g. dentist) should be planned outside of school hours. Holidays should not be taken in term time. Thank you for your support with this.

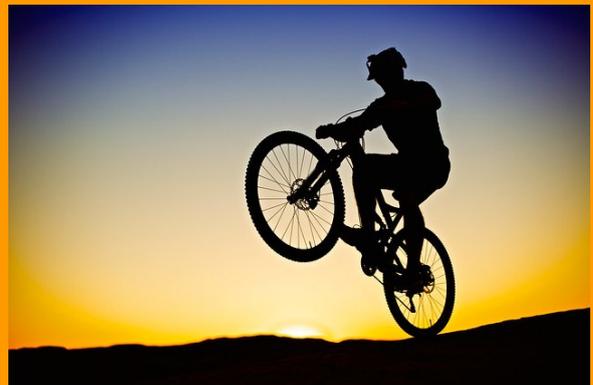
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After School Clubs

Starting Monday 13th January

- ◆ Monday– Spy Club
- ◆ Tuesday– Make it, Bake it Club
- ◆ Wednesday– Multisport Club
- ◆ Thursday– Bike Club (Sapling and Oak Class only)

To book a place on one of the clubs please go to your Parentpay account.



Squirrels News

- Forest School every Thursday morning – the children will need warm clothing, water-proofs, wellies and a spare set of clothes to change into in case they get wet.
- Friday – as part of Eco Week Friday is no electricity day so make sure your child is wearing lots of warm clothing!
- Home Books – We would like to encourage children to choose a book from our book corner to share with you at home.
- Book Bags are available to buy from the school office for £5
- Booking Form- If you haven't returned your preschool booking form please could you return it to the office.



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there will
be more
plastic in the
ocean than fish if
we don't do this!

by Hazel

Dates for your Diary	
Monday 13th January	First week of After School Clubs
Thursday 16th January	Sapling Class trip– Apple store Cardiff
Tuesday 21st January Wednesday 22nd January	Parents Evenings
Thursday 30th January	Acorn and Sapling Class Trip– Bristol Zoo
Friday 14th February	Last day of term