

Kindness, Endurance, Friendships, Forgiveness, Thankfulness

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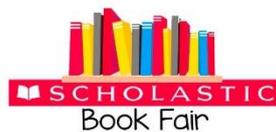
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Dear Parents/Carers,



Chinese New Year

On Friday 9th February we will be celebrating Chinese New Year. We are inviting 8 parent to join us and will be serving sweet and sour chicken, with rice, a spring roll and prawn crackers and a desert. Lunch is at 12pm and costs £3.50, which you can pay in cash to the School Office on the day. Bookings will be open this Friday 2nd February at 9am and can be made by emailing the School Office. Spaces will be given on a first come, first serve basis and emails prior to this will not be considered. Please remember that you will only be able to attend one lunch event this year, with the exception of the Mother's Day and Father's Day.



Our school book fair will arrive tomorrow, on Wednesday 31st January and will be with us until Tuesday 6th February. The book fair will be open from 3.15 – 3.45pm. It will also be open after Shakespeare's Class Assembly on Friday. The school receives commission on all the sales at the book fair and this enables us to buy new reading resources throughout the school at minimum costs. A £1 book token will be sent home, which can be spent at our book fair. You will be able to pay online following a QR code when you are at the book fair.

Drop Everything and Read with a Twist

Tomorrow parents/carers are invited to join us at 2:30pm for our fairy tales with a twist DEAR to celebrate storytelling week. Children will be in their house groups, so all siblings will be together. You will listen to a story and then create something linked to that story. Please do not worry if you are unable to make it, members of staff will work with children if they do not have an adult with them. Once the event is over you will be welcome to take your children home.

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Shakespeare Class Assembly

Parents/carers of children in Shakespeare Class are invited to come to their spring term class assembly on Friday 2nd February @9:00am. Siblings are welcome, but if they become unsettled please take them out of the hall so that the assembly is not disturbed. Afterwards, you will be able to spend some time looking through your child’s books with them.

NHS: Is my Child too Ill for School?

Please follow this link for information about illnesses and whether or not your child can come to school.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Road Safety Talk for Reception and Year 5

On Monday 5th February Reception parents are invited into school to take part in a road safety workshop with their child. It will be from 9:00am to 9:45am and is run by the Essex Highways team. Afterwards, the year 5 children will then take part in a workshop. ***Please note Year 5 parents do not need to attend, it is only Reception parents.***

Online Safety...Did you know?

Please find attached a ‘what parents need to know about group chats’ guide. Group chats can be useful, however they can also be a place for cyber bullying and for inappropriate content to be shared.

75 Club

Are you interested in joining? A number is £2.50 per month and you are in with a chance to win £30, £15 or £10. All funds raised go to the Friends of Matching Green who are then able to help fund trips, visiting theatre productions and resources for your children. Anyone can sign up for a number; grandparents, family, friends or neighbours. Please contact the School Office if you wish to sign up for a number.

Best wishes,

Miss Wareham

New dates will be highlighted in yellow.



Mon	29 th	Jan	Storytelling Week begins	Whole School
Weds	31 st	Jan	Scholastic Book Fair begins	In school until 2/2/24

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Weds	31 st	Jan	DEAR with a Twist	Whole School @ 2:30pm
Fri	2 nd	Feb	Shakespeare Class Assembly	All Shakespeare parents invited 9am start
Mon	5 th	Feb	Road Safety Training	Reception, Reception Parents and Year 5 children
Mon	5 th	Feb	Kingswood Meeting	@3pm Shakespeare parents only
Tues	6 th	Feb	Safer Internet Day	Whole School
Weds	7 th	Feb	Chinese Dance and Plate painting workshop	Whole School
Fri	9 th	Feb	Darwin Class Assembly	All Darwin parents invited 9am start
Fri	9 th	Feb	Chinese New Year Lunch	Whole School, with 8 parents
Fri	9 th	Feb	PTA Quiz Night	All parents/carers invited 7pm start
Thur	15 th	Feb	Year 3 Swimming Starts	Year 3 only
Fri	16 th	Feb	Celebration Assembly	All parents/carers welcome
Mon	19 th	Feb	Half Term	Whole School
Return to school Monday 26th February 2024				
Mon	26 th	Feb	Year 6 SATS parents meeting	@ 3pm Year 6 parents only
Weds	28 th	Feb	Stansted Aerozone Trip	Potter Class only
Mon	4 th	Mar	INSET DAY	Whole School
Tues	5 th	Mar	Mother’s Day Room	PTA Event Whole School
Tues	5 th	Mar	West End in Schools Workshop	All children
Weds	6 th	Mar	Mother’s Day Room	PTA Event Whole School
Thurs	7 th	Mar	World Book Day	Whole School
Fri	8 th	Mar	Nightingale Class Assembly	Nightingale Class parents only
Tues	12 th	Mar	KS1 Mother’s Day Lunch	All KS1 Special Ladies
Weds	13 th	Mar	KS2 Mother’s Day Lunch	All KS2 Special Ladies
Thurs	14 th	Mar	Class Photos	Whole School
Mon	25 th	Mar	Parents Evening	5pm-7pm
Weds	27 th	Mar	Parents Evening	3:30pm-5:30pm
Thurs	28 th	Mar	Easter Enrichment Day	Whole School
Easter Holidays Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April				
Mon	15 th	Apr	Back to School	Whole School

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INSET Days
Monday 4th March 2024
Monday 3rd June 2024



Potter Class @potter.class
Nightingale Class @nightingale.class
Darwin Class @charlesdarwin.class
Shakespeare Class @shakespeare.class
PTA @matchinggreenschoolpta.

After School Clubs Page

SCS – Football and Gymnastics

Monday - football and Thursday - gymnastics. They will run from 3:15pm-4:15pm. These clubs are open for all children from Year 2-6. To book and make payment for these clubs please follow the links.

Monday Football <https://sportscoachingspecialists.classforkids.io/info/109>

Thursday Gymnastics <https://sportscoachingspecialists.classforkids.io/info/108>

If you have any questions then please make contact with the company directly.

Please can children be in appropriate clothes for the sport they are taking part in. If your child is taking part in football they need football boots and shin pads.

Spanish Club

Runs on a Wednesday. Please see the poster at the front of the school for further information.

Piano Lessons

Mrs Ramsey has some lesson spaces available. If you wish for your child to take part in piano lessons, then please make contact with her. Her details can be found on this link: <https://www.matchinggreenprimaryschool.com/piano-lessons/>