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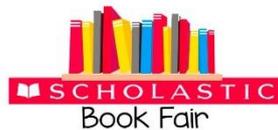
## **News Update 15 23rd January 2024**

Dear Parents/Carers,



### **Friday Forest School**

On Forest School days please could the children bring in a pair of shoes that are suitable for outside e.g. **welly boots and then another pair of shoes to wear indoors e.g. trainers**. A plastic carrier bag to put the outdoor muddy shoes in after use would also be really helpful. A spare pair of socks would be ideal too. The children's outdoor shoes can sometimes get too muddy to wear throughout the day in the school building. Also, please do not send your children in clothes that you would not want to get muddy.



Our school book fair will arrive on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January until Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February. The book fair will be open from 3.15 – 3.45pm. 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.

### **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/>

### **Kitt Medical**

I am delighted to say that Matching Green have recently purchased Kitt Medical. Kitt Medical is an anaphylaxis emergency kit – like a defibrillator, but for allergies. It allows us to have quick and easy access to two adrenaline pens for adults and two adrenaline pens for children. These can be used if adults or children in our school community are having an allergic reaction to something. It offers a reassurance as sometimes allergies are unknown. All staff have adrenaline pen training in

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our first aid training, however we will also have additional training on how to use this exact resource. Please follow the link to find out more. <https://kittmedical.com/>

### PTA Film Night

Thank you for all those who attended and to the PTA for arranging it we raised a fantastic £340.00 and had fun with our friends after school!

### Online Safety...Did you know?

99% of current children will own a smartphone before they reach 18 📱📺 With phones and other devices offering an increasing number of ways to pass the time, it can prove difficult for young people to set them aside. Studies have shown, however, that *managing* a child's screen time can have positive impacts on their cognitive development.

### Adverse Weather

A letter previously went out regarding plans for adverse weather. You can find a copy on our school website under parents – letters or by following this link:

<https://www.matchinggreenprimaryschool.com/letters/>

### 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.*



Weds	24 <sup>th</sup>	Jan	Swimming Gala @ The Aquatics Centre	Invited children only
Mon	29 <sup>th</sup>	Jan	Storytelling Week begins	Whole School
Weds	31 <sup>st</sup>	Jan	Scholastic Book Fair begins	In school until 2/2/24
Weds	31 <sup>st</sup>	Jan	DEAR with a Twist	Whole School
Fri	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Feb	Shakespeare Class Assembly	All Shakespeare parents invited 9am start
Mon	5 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	Road Safety Training	Reception and Year 5 only
Mon	5 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	Kingswood Meeting	@3pm Shakespeare parents only

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

**INSET Days**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024**

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**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/>