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Measham C of E Newsletter 15th September 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your co-operation with our kitchen renovations. I can now finally let you know that it is all complete, everything has been tested, is working properly and our wonderful kitchen staff have given everything a deep clean so we are ready to offer hot dinners to the children again next week.

Many thanks to Trish and Karen in the kitchen who have worked hard to continue to offer a sandwich option. They have been going to another local school, making them, transporting them back and today deep cleaning the kitchen! We are very grateful!

So next week, starting Monday 18th September, we will be back to offering 4 choices – a hot meat option, a hot vegetarian option, school sandwiches or a jacket potato. We will be starting on Monday on Week 1 which is pizza...a firm favourite with the children!

Sadly we need to let you know that dinners have increased due to food costs etc and the cost of a Key Stage 2 dinner is now £2.55 per day or £12.75 per week. We will apply this to all dinners from next week ie the 18th September.

Dinners & recent uniform orders will be put online for payment by either debit or credit card. Swimming is online and some of you have made payments already – thank you. Please pay any outstanding monies owed as soon as possible before reminders are sent.

Open Days at High School

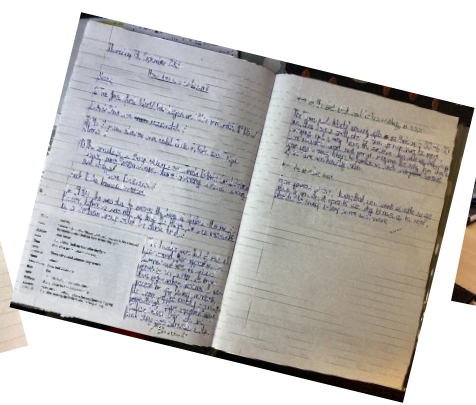
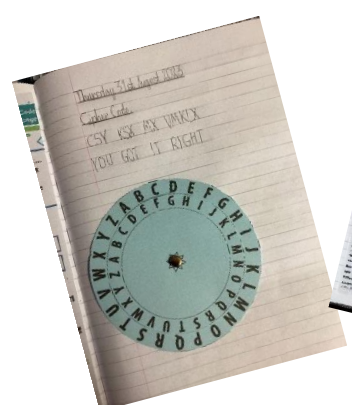
In case you need a reminder the High schools are hosting their Open days between 5-7pm and we recommend you visit all of the schools to see the opportunities on offer for your child. Just turn up between those times and enjoy a tour of the school plus chat to teachers. They will all have a different "feel" to them.

Ivanhoe is Wednesday 20th September, Ashby School is Thursday 21st September and Ibstock is Tuesday 26th

News from the classes...

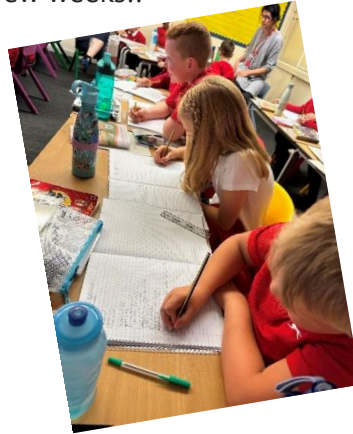
Foxes

The Foxes have had an amazing start to the year, learning all about WW1 and WW2 - looking at the causes and the consequences and thinking about whether we should have learnt our lesson. We created some acrostic poems about the trenches and tried to solve the cipher the code from Alan Turing. Alongside this, the Foxes have begun to write a diary, putting themselves as a child in the Blitz - lots of talk about 'show don't tell' and using descriptive language. #creativity #loveoflearning



Squirrels

It has been the most amazing start to life in Squirrels! The children have all stepped up to the expectations and a lot of new learning and routines have been thrown at them. From calling out our times tables, building some great foundations in English to delving deep into the history of the Ancient Greeks we are starting as we mean to go on. We are working really hard on our conversational and discussion skills in every lesson (including French!) as well as developing our character through our relationships and online safety learning, not to mention our impeccable dance skills in PE. What a first few weeks!!



Badgers

What a fantastic start to the term the Badgers have had. They have been finding out about the history of Measham and they have enjoyed looking at old photographs and artefacts. Year 1 and 2 have been working hard with their counting forwards and back to and from 100 and they have been thinking about numbers that are one more and one less. The highlight of the week is PE at the moment, where the children are learning a special line dance in preparation for the end of term dance festival. Well done Badgers!



Butterflies

EYFS have had a fabulous start to school! We have had lots of fun outside and also started our phonics sessions! We've also had fun with our very first Squiggle While You Wiggle!



PE and Forest School

On PE days we ask that the children come to school in their PE kit. Our school PE kit is black joggers/leggings/shorts with their white PE t-shirt and their school jumper/cardigan/hoodie. Trainers can be worn.

Foxes will do PE on **Wednesday and Friday**

Owls will do PE on **Monday and Wednesday** [and for swimming on a Friday]

Squirrels will do PE on **Wednesday and Friday**

Moles will do PE on **Thursday and Friday**

Badgers will do PE on **Wednesday and Friday**

Rabbits will do PE on **Monday and Thursday**

EYFS will do PE on **Tuesday**

Forest School will start again in the 2nd half of the Spring term.

Data Collection forms

Thank you to all of those parents who have returned their data collection forms and I would urge those of you that haven't yet, please can you return these to us ASAP. And if you have lost, please pop into the office and we can give you a replacement. Thank you!

Attendance

A huge well done to everyone, attendance for the first 3 weeks has been excellent! Please make every effort to ensure medical appointments, where possible, are outside school time and holidays too!

Thank you so much!

Whole school attendance to date: **96.2%**

Badgers	99.14%
Rabbits	97.92%
Owls	97.80%
Butterflies	95.83%
Squirrels	94.99%
Foxes	94.91%
Moles	94.37%

PFA - Uniform

If you have any uniform that your child has grown out of that is still in a good condition, our PFA would love to take it off your hands and we will put it into our pre-loved uniform sale later in the year. You can drop uniform off at any time into the office. Thank you!

Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a cleaner in our Premises Team working 1 hour each day ideally between 4-5pm. The role includes holiday hours in this permanent contract. Contact Mrs Whittle for more information.

If you do have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,



Hannah Carter
Acting Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Friday 15 th September	Y5/6 Swimming
Thursday 21 st September	Y6 Playcoach training
Friday 22 nd September	Y5/6 Swimming
	Y4 Drumming
Friday 29 th September	MacMillan Coffee morning in school All welcome 9-11am
	Y5/6 Swimming
Wednesday 4 th October	Y5/6 Tag Rugby competition – Ashby Rugby Club
Thursday 5 th October	Harvest in church 10am TBC
Friday 6 th October	Y5/6 Swimming
Monday 9 th October	PFA AGM 2.30pm
Tuesday 10 th October	Parents Evening
Wednesday 11 th October	Y3 Multi-sport @Whitwick Leisure Centre
Thursday 12 th October	Parents Evening
Friday 13 th October	School closed – staff INSET training
Monday 23 rd October	Return to school after half term