

2018

School Calendar!

FEBRUARY

Diary Dates Week Commencing 19th February

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| Monday 19th February | - Class 1 Ebworth & Class 2 PWA
- Yoga Club |
| Tuesday 20th February | - Swimming Lessons Class 2
- Art, Sewing & Stay and Play Club |
| Wednesday 21st February | - Knitting & Coding Club |
| Thursday 22nd February | - Book & Stay and Play Club |
| Friday 23rd February | - Celebration Assembly
- PE Class 1 & 2
- Music lessons
- Sports Club |

Diary Dates Week Commencing 5th February 2018

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| Monday 26th February | - Class 2 Ebworth & Class 1 PWA
- Yoga Club |
| Tuesday 27th February | - Swimming Lessons Class 2
- Art, Sewing & Stay and Play Club |
| Wednesday 28th February | - Knitting & Coding Club |
| Thursday 1st March | - Book & Stay and Play Club |
| Friday 2nd March | - No Celebration Assembly
- Class 2 Nailsworth Library am
- PE Class 1 & 2
- Music lessons
- Sports Club |



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9th February 2018 *Newsletter*

Value of the Term: Communication

95%
attendance

A note from our Co-Head teacher Mrs Vicky Barron

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to the last newsletter before half term - gosh the term has flown by! It has been a busy time for all since the last newsletter and the children have all been working really hard across all areas of the curriculum. I've been delighted to be able to see so much kindness and co-operation between the children in classes, in the playground, when out of school on trips, at Forest School and during the Prince William Award. We've had many people look around for places in our school recently and everyone comments on the good behaviour and warmth that our children exude.

As you will all know, last week we had a visit from Ofsted who sent two inspectors Mrs Tracey Hannon and Mrs Lizzie Meadows to see us - right at the point I had lost my voice, which maybe wasn't the greatest timing! Their report will be made available to parents shortly - I am not exactly sure when, as I am awaiting the final report. Parents get the report 5 days before it goes onto the main Ofsted site - we will send it out to you as soon as we are notified by the Ofsted team. The children coped admirably with having two visitors in school who were in and out of lessons and playtimes during the day, accompanied by myself, and who stopped to look at books and ask children lots of questions about school. Thank you also to those parents to whom the inspectors spoke and to all of you that contributed your views via the Parent View website - those results are very positive and are available for you to see if you revisit the Parent View site. Click on each question and the results will drop down in graph form.

I was very sorry to miss the Reading Partnership Book Project Event in the village hall. The nasty...well, I mean lovely... Ofsted inspectors decided my presence was required within school for the entire afternoon. I briefly considered escaping the room I was kept in but decided they might try to arrest me and that wouldn't look good in the papers - also running down the path with two inspectors chasing me also seemed rather inappropriate! That aside, the event was a great success, enjoyed by all and once again our children behaved beautifully and spoke with confidence about the books they had been reading. I would like to extend my thanks to everyone involved in that event, including our Governor for English Mrs Debby Thacker for organising it, to Joe Carey for his entertaining reading and of course to Jamila Gavin for her inspiring talk.

Some advance notice and updates for you to think about it over half term...Our next event is World Book day on 1st March. Children may come to school that day dressed as a character from a book (not a film please). They are encouraged to bring the book with them to share and discuss on the day. Also, a few parents have asked about the staff attending the 3 day/ 2 night residential trip to Viney Hill with Years 3,4,5 and 6 at the end of March. This year the staff accompanying the children will be myself, Mr Taylour and our student teacher Miss Hannah Wong. We may also need one parent volunteer for this trip but will finalise details after half term. Finally, Mrs Pilkington remains off work for the time being. I don't yet have a return date for her but will keep you informed when I have more news.

Enjoy your half term holiday,

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Vicky Barron

Co Head teacher Sheepscombe School

