



Airwaves 10 February 2017

No. 19

Dear Parents and Carers

Well done to our group of children from Years 3 and 4 who came third in the cluster group indoor athletics finals held at Sawston Village College yesterday.

Today the children have been enjoying Winter Sports Day. They have used a number of skills - skipping, jumping and throwing as well as co-operating in a team and using tactics to gain extra points. Well done to Team 6 for the overall win.

We have had some very positive feedback from the reading support workshop held by the Key Stage 1 staff this week. Information from the meeting is going on the website and the staff plan to repeat the workshop at 9.00 am one morning after half-term - date to follow.

Readathon and World Book Day

Our Basic Skills team are sending out letters, reading logs and sponsorship forms today for the all-new Readathon! We are encouraging children to read as much as they can over the next two weeks and get sponsors to do so. All proceeds will go towards books for the library. On Friday 3 March (the day after World Book Day) we are asking the children to dress up as their favourite book character and inviting donations (e.g. £1) which will also go towards library books. Also on Friday 3 March we will be announcing our 'Star Reader' from each class (based on enthusiasm for reading through the term). Winners will be invited to a special tea party in the library with their parents on a date to be arranged.

New ipads!

Due to a generous donation from the Wellcome Trust, we have been able to purchase 10 new ipads. These are already up and running and being used by the children. We now have 25 in total.

Children out of school for appointments

Attendance has a huge impact on children's progress at school. Please could we urge you to try and make routine appointments (e.g. dental check-ups, eye tests) in the school holidays where possible. From after half-term we will be asking you to provide proof of appointments that are made during school hours. This is something most schools do. Please ask the provider for the relevant proof or give us the name and address of the provider. Thank you.

Parents evenings

Thank you to everyone who has returned their parent-teacher appointment request. The deadline was today. If you have not yet returned your slip, please check with the office as soon as possible after we return on 20th February to see if your child's teacher has any spaces left.

Breaktime snacks in Key Stage 2

Please remember that any snack your child brings in for playtime should only be fruit or vegetables. Dried fruit is fine, but please no nuts.

Swimming in the summer term

Next term Key Stage 2 children will be swimming on Friday mornings (starting on 21st April for the first groups going - a timetable will be circulated before the Easter break). Due to the limited capacity we are given by SVC, this year swimming will be just for Key Stage 2. Year 2 children will have their chance when they reach Year 3.

Cross-country club (Years 5 & 6)

This club will be starting on Wednesday 22 February. Please see the letters coming home with children in Years 5 and 6 today.

Milk bottle tops

We have had a great response to our request for these and now have enough green tops. Please carry on sending blue and red tops in!

We wish you all a lovely half-term break. School reopens on Monday 20 February.

Yours sincerely

Debbie Gould
Headteacher

DX Holiday Club – February Half Term

The DX Club are running a holiday club at Hinxtton Village Hall during February Half Term (Monday 13th to Friday 17th). Sibling discounts and half day options available. For further details please contact Lisa on thedxclub@hotmail.co.uk.

Lunches for week beginning 20 February 2017

	Red Option	Green Option (usually Vegetarian)	Blue Option (Light bite)
Monday	Pork & apple grill	Quorn grill	Jacket potato with beans
Tuesday	Leek & ham pasta bake	Bean & vegetable bake	Tuna & cucumber roll
Wednesday	Minced beef pie	Falafels	Ham salad baguette
Thursday	Roast chicken	Quorn fillet	Cheese salad wrap
Friday	Salmon bites or cod goujons	Vegetable enchilada	Jacket potato with cheese

Manor Adventure 2017 payment checklist (total £225)£50 by 14th October 2016£25 by 5th December 2016£50 by 23rd January 2017£50 by 27th February 2017£50 by 20th March 2017**Messy Church - Sunday 12 February**

We are meeting on Sunday at 10am at the Lacey's Way Centre in Duxford. Our theme this week is the story of Anna and Simeon. The whole family is welcome to come and sing and dance and do messy activities with us.

Diary Dates

Monday 13 to Friday 17 February	Half-term
Friday 24 February	Children's discos - flyer and payment slip attached with this Airwaves
Wednesday 1 st and Thursday 2 nd March, 3.45-6.15 pm	Parent consultation evenings No multisports clubs Year 6 - not Thursday 2 March
Thursday 2 March	Sing for your School concert - Year 6
Friday 3 March	Dressing up for World Book Day
Thursday 9 March, 3.45-5.45 pm	Parent consultation evening Year 6 only
Tuesday 14 March, 9.30 am	Year 3/4/5 production
Thursday 16 March, 5.30 pm	Year 3/4/5 production
Friday 31 March	Spring term closes
Tuesday 18 April	Professional day - school closed to pupils
Wednesday 19 April	School reopens for summer term
Monday 1 May	May Day - school closed
Monday 8 to Thursday 11 May	SATs week for Year 6
Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 May	Year 5 to Eaton Vale
Monday 22 to Wednesday 24 May	Year 6 to Manor Adventure
Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June	Half-term
Monday 5 June	Professional day - school closed to pupils
Friday 21 July	Summer term ends
Monday 4 September	Professional day - school closed to pupils
Tuesday 5 September	Autumn term starts
Monday 23 to Friday 27 October	Half-term
Tuesday 19 December	Autumn term closes

New entries to the diary are in bold.

Term Dates 2017/18

Monday 4 September 2017	Training Day
Tuesday 5 September	Autumn term starts
Monday 23 to Friday 27 October	Half-term
Tuesday 19 December	Autumn term closes
Wednesday 3 January 2018	Training Day
Thursday 4 January	Spring term starts
Monday 12 to Friday 16 February	Half-term
Thursday 29 March	Spring term closes
Monday 16 April	Training Day
Tuesday 17 April	Summer term starts
Monday 7 May	May Day
Monday 28 May to Friday 1 June	Half-term
Friday 20 July	Summer term closes for children
Monday 23 and Tuesday 24 July	Training days