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Newsletter

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Headteacher's notes

It does not seem possible that we have arrived at half term already. The past few weeks since we returned in January have been very busy and the children have produced some wonderful work and I hope that you have found this week's Parent Consultations useful and informative. There have been many successes to celebrate once again and we enjoyed this week's assembly led by Lower Willow where they shared some of their work.

We have welcomed Magpas into school today who have completed CPR training with the children in Year 6. They have all enjoyed learning more about how they can help people as well as hearing about the work of the charity. Congratulations to our footballers who won their match against Westfield Juniors earlier in the week.

I hope you all have a good half term break. The children return on **Monday 24th February**.

Staff Update

We have said goodbye to Mrs Clipsham today as she starts her maternity leave. We hope that she manages to get some rest before baby arrives! We will be welcoming Mrs J Taylor and Mrs C Taylor to Middle Cedar when we return.

There will also be a change in Lower Cedar after half term. Mrs Foster will continue to teach the class Monday – Thursday and then Miss Barnes will be in class every Friday.

World Book Day

A **reminder** that World Book Day is on **Thursday 5th March 2020** and we will be inviting the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on that day. Please click on the following link if you are looking for dressing up ideas: <https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas-2019/>.



Extreme Read Challenge

Don't forget that February's photo theme is **CARING AND SHARING**. Once taken, your photo can be sent to school via your child's Starz account. If not known, their teacher can provide them with their login details. Alternatively a hard copy is welcome.



New Lunch Menu

There will be a new lunch menu starting shortly after the half term which will be published on the school website.

Smart watches

A number of children are now wearing smart watches to school and they enjoy counting their daily steps. Whilst this is fine please ensure that these watches do not have cameras on. Thank you

Music News

Please note that orchestra will be held on alternate Fridays next half term:

Friday 28th February; Friday 13th March; Friday 27th March

Clubs

There is no NFL Club on **Monday 24th February**.

There is no Football Club on **Tuesday 25th February**.

The last Golf Club is **Wednesday 26th February**.

Year 1 Balanceability

After half term, the Year 1 children will be taking part in Balanceability lessons. These will happen on either Monday or Tuesday depending on the class. All equipment will be provided but please could you ensure that your child has a warm coat to wear and gloves.

Parking

You may have seen the Police around school this week in response to a number of concerns expressed by both the school and local residents regarding parking. We have been asked to remind everyone to please park with consideration for the children, other road users and local residents. Thank you.

PTA NEWS

PTA MEETING –We will be meeting at 2pm this afternoon and during this meeting we hope to plan our next event.

CAKE FRIDAY - We can now tell you that we raised an amazing £268.

So thank you to everyone who helped, those who donated and to everyone who came and bought some cakes.

NEXT MEETING - **31st March at 7.30pm**

Have a lovely half term.

PTA Team

What's On after Half Term:

Monday 24 th February	Art Club Year 1 – 3 Football Club Year 4 – 6 Dance Club
Tuesday 25 th February	Amy's Acro
Wednesday 26 th February	Handchimes (lunchtime) KS2 Golf Club Tag Rugby
Thursday 27 th February	Choir String Group (lunchtimes) Year 5-6 Netball Club KS2 Quidditch Club Y6 Rotary Quiz 7.00pm
Friday 28 th February	Year 3 swimming



CALLING ALL of our BUDDING AUTHORS!

For all of our pupils, who love creative story writing, why not enter the BBC Radio 2 – 500 Words Competition? The best thing about this is... it can be completely your own idea and not something chosen by your teacher! YAY! The competition celebrates the imagination and creativity - not spelling and grammar – of children aged 5-11years.

Entries must be submitted on an online form through a 500 Word Account registered by your parents or carers, by Thursday 27th February 2020.

Winners will receive their prizes at Buckingham Palace! Hey, who knows, it could be you!

Follow this link to find out more:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/59TwKqqLp3LTpRVfPlsKtx9/submit-a-story>

Inspiration for a story can also be found at: <http://www.pobble365.com/>

Good Luck!



Extreme Reading Challenge — Go crazy!

Thank you to those of you who submitted their entries for January's and February's themes.

As it is half-term it would be great if you could take photographs of your children reading in unusual / crazy places.

The crazier the better! We will then be sharing the photos at our...

World Book Day Assembly on Thursday 5th March

Once taken your photo can be sent to school via your child's Starz account. If not known, their teacher can provide them with their login details. Alternatively a hard copy is welcome.

We have been asked to share this information with regards to Coronavirus:

Advice for parents/guardians

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus.

There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.

We recognise that some families or children may be planning to travel to China during the forthcoming half term period. If so, please refer to the FCO's latest travel advice.

What action you can take

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus.

Please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses.



HM Government



CORONAVIRUS: PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Government and NHS are well prepared to deal with this virus.

You can help too.

Germs can live on some surfaces for hours.

To protect yourself and others:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers.

This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus.

[Find out more at gov.uk/coronavirus](https://gov.uk/coronavirus)