



Parents as Partners

## Newsletter 16

### Friday 24th January 2020

*Dear Families,*

#### Staffing News

*We would like to congratulate Miss Kari Yarsley on her new position working at a school in Lincolnshire. We would like to thank her for everything she has done during her time at Magdalen Academy and I am sure you will join us in wishing her all the best in her new venture after February Half Term.*

*We can appreciate that this is another change in staffing for our Cygnets Class; however, the children are already familiar with their new class teacher – Mrs Claire Chadderton. Mrs Chadderton will be taking over teaching and learning opportunities for all the children in Cygnets and Robins Class working alongside Miss Cooper, Miss Hill and Miss Haylett-James.*

*The children will continue to be taught in smaller teaching groups in the morning and we will minimise the impact of any change. Unfortunately, the number of children in our pre-school has stalled and so we are currently no longer able to employ two teachers for the morning session. If anyone would like to discuss any of these changes, please don't hesitate to make an appointment with a member of staff through the school office.*

#### Learning Outside the Classroom

*We provide all our pupils with the opportunities to grow and develop their personal skills, gain in independence, self-control, problem solve, manage risk, embrace challenge, grow in confidence, increase self-esteem, develop sensitivity and have pride in themselves and in their school. These personal skills will then become transferable skills for the learners to build upon in their activities and experiences in their journey through school and link back into the classroom and into the wider world.*

*Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC) is a continuous journey throughout school life, scaffolding experiences for our pupils to build upon. We believe that it is paramount that these experiences are intrinsically motivated, and pupil-led (whilst guided if needed) and planned into the curriculum by adults. Learning outside the classroom is embedded in our school curriculum and takes place both offsite and on the school grounds, it can happen anywhere outside the class from a maths trail in the corridor to a residential, we strive to ascertain, 'where, will this learning be best learnt?'*

Regards

*Miss Hayes & Mrs Arrowsmith,*  
**Heads of School**



## January

Tues 28<sup>th</sup> – Year 1 & 2 Active Kids

**'Army Bootcamp'. They may wear camouflage trousers and tops if they have them, or their school PE kit. The festival planners wish to paint army stripes using face paint on their cheeks as they arrive, please let the school know if you do not wish your child to have this done.**

Tues 28<sup>th</sup> – 2pm Friends of School Meeting

## February

Tues 4<sup>th</sup> – Gymnastics Competition

Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> – Netball Match

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> – NSPCC Number Day (20<sup>th</sup> Birthday)

Weds 12<sup>th</sup> – Film Night – THE QUEENS CORGI

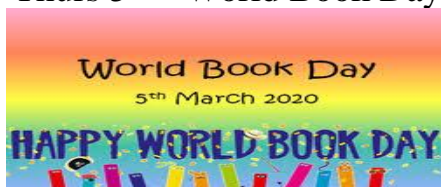
Fri 14<sup>th</sup> – Break up for half-term



Mon 24<sup>th</sup> – Back to School

## March

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> – World Book Day



Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – Science Week

Weds 11<sup>th</sup> – Bedtime Reading Café

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> – Swallows Class Trip

Weds 25<sup>th</sup> – Film Night (details to follow)

## April

Weds 1<sup>st</sup> – Easter Service & Celebration Assembly

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> – Break up for the Easter Holidays

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> – Back to School

## UNIFORM - CHECK

PLEASE CAN YOU ALL ENSURE THAT UNIFORM IS NAMED, IN ADDITION WE HAVE A WHITE TOP AND PINAFORE MISSING WHICH IS NAMED!!!!!!

## SPEEDSTACKING CANCELLATION

Unfortunately this event was cancelled today due to the traffic in Kings Lynn.

Any payments made will be carried over to the next event.

IT'S ILLEGAL TO SMOKE IN A VEHICLE WITH ANYONE UNDER 18



The law applies:

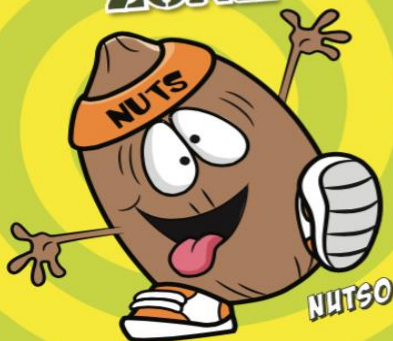
- to any private vehicle that is enclosed wholly or partly by a roof
- when people have the windows or sunroof open, or the air conditioning on
- when someone sits smoking in the open doorway of a vehicle

The law does not apply to:

- e-cigarettes (vaping)
- a driver who is 17 years old if they are on their own in the car
- a convertible car with the roof completely down



THIS IS A NUT FREE ZONE



Please can you all be aware that we have children within the school who have a nut allergy. Therefore, as the effect of nuts for these children are severe, can we not bring in items containing nuts or spread for sandwiches that contain nuts i.e., peanut butter, Nutella etc.