



# Newsletter

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## Healthy Lifestyles Week

This week's Healthy Lifestyles Week has seen lots of physical activity, led by the Sports Partnership in our workshops on Monday and with our Daily Dash around the field; opportunities to cook and taste nutritious food; and a chance to check how good you are at brushing your teeth. Thank you all for remembering to send children with their toothbrushes and toothpaste, and for taking part in Thursday morning's Family Dash... Thank you too, to Mrs Whitworth for organising the week-long festival of health!



## Class 1 at Archaeology and Anthropology

Yesterday, Class 1 used the school minibus to visit the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology in Cambridge. They had the opportunity to handle a range of different artefacts from across the

world, and had to decide whether they thought they had come from a hot country or a cold country. They had some great reasoning!

Our guide led us around the galleries looking at some of the exhibits and explain why they were made from the materials they were. It was such a good visit.



## Imminent Changes to School Systems – Action Required

Our Management Information System (MIS) which we use in school (currently Capita SIMS) will change over the half-term holiday to Bromcom MIS. We are making this change as our current contract with Capita is coming to an end and we have been able to secure better functionality and (by working together with local schools) lower cost in our new contract.

To help us ensure our migration goes smoothly we need parents to complete the following actions:

- Credit balances in SIMS Agora will be carried over, but it would be helpful if you have a debit balance if this can be cleared by **Friday 15th February**.
- Download the Bromcom **MyChildAtSchool** app for your devices (this will give you access to payments, attendance, contact details updating and more as the system goes live). You won't be able to log in yet.
- **Please do not make any payments in SIMS Agora after Friday 15th February.**

Once up and running fully this new software will mean that most information sharing with you can happen in the one place, reducing the need for you to have multiple logins.

Best wishes,  
Mr Philip Atkin  
Headteacher

## Reminders

- Parent & Child Consultations are next week on Monday 11th February and Wednesday 13th February. Please make sure you have booked your appointment through the eSchools portal.
- Half-Term runs from Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February.
- Class 3's trip to St Albans is on Tuesday 26th February

## Congratulations to...

- Harry A, Amélie, Emily and Charlotte (all Class 3) for their Disco Freestyle exam passes
- Kyloe, Sofia, Isabella and Abi (all Class 2) for their Street Dance exam passes
- Year 5 for great behaviour on their recent visit to MVC.

## Code Club

We are delighted that James Hobro has agreed to run another Code Club after school in the summer term. However, he would like some volunteer help from someone who can help with children's coding questions as this can be quite demanding during the sessions ("Help, it doesn't work...!"). If you think you might have the skills and enthusiasm required, please let the office know. We may be able to be flexible on the day-of-the-week on which the club runs to accommodate you.

## Online Safety

The following website from O<sub>2</sub> and the NSPCC provides up-to-date information on the latest apps, games and social networks that children are sometimes using and the associated risks. It is designed to help you make an informed choice about what you allow, or not, on your home devices:

[www.net-aware.org.uk](http://www.net-aware.org.uk)

## Dates for Your Diary

<b>Monday 11th February</b>	Parent & Child Consultations, 3.20pm – 7pm
<b>Wednesday 13th February</b>	
<b>Tuesday 12th February</b>	Class 1 Balanceability
<b>Thursday 14th February</b>	Year 3/4 Orienteering
<b>Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February</b>	Half-Term
<b>Tuesday 26th February</b>	Class 3 Trip to Verulamium Museum and Roman St Albans
<b>Monday 4th March</b>	Sonrisa Music Concert (Whole School) and Workshop for Class 3
<b>Tuesday 5th March</b>	Class 4 Trip to Fitzwilliam Museum
<b>Thursday 7th March</b>	World Book Day
<b>Thursday 7th March</b>	PTFA Bags 2 School Collection
<b>Thursday 7th March</b>	EYFS and Year 1 PJs and Teddies Evening, 6.30pm – 7.30pm
<b>Monday 11th March – Friday 15th March</b>	Science Week
<b>Friday 15th March</b>	Visit from Ecole Victor Hugo
<b>Friday 15th March</b>	PTFA Quiz Night <b>NEW</b>
<b>Tuesday 19th March</b>	Lunchtime Co. Tasting Session for Parents, 3.00pm <b>NEW</b>
<b>Wednesday 20th March</b>	Tag Rugby Competition
<b>Friday 29th March</b>	Year 3/4 Bikeability
<b>Friday 29th March</b>	PTFA School Cinema <b>NEW</b>
<b>Monday 1st April</b>	Reception & Year 6 NHS Measurement Programme
<b>Tuesday 2nd April</b>	Reception NHS Vision Screening
<b>Friday 5th April</b>	Open Morning, 9am – 10am
<b>Friday 5th April</b>	Last Day of Term

## Summer Term 2019

<b>Tuesday 23rd April</b>	School Closed for Staff Training
<b>Wednesday 24th April</b>	First Day of Term
<b>Monday 6th May</b>	School Closed (May Day)
<b>Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May</b>	Year 6 SATs Week
<b>Saturday 18th May – Sunday 19th May</b>	PTFA Art Exhibition <b>NEW</b>
<b>Thursday 23rd May</b>	Sports Day
<b>Monday 8th July – Friday 12th July</b>	Class 4 Residential Visit
<b>Wednesday 24th July</b>	Last Day of Term <b>NEW</b>