



Poppy Appeal - Every year as a school we support The Royal British Legion through the Poppy Appeal. We knew that this year we would have to do things differently due to Covid-19 restrictions and thought it would be tricky to beat our total from last year. The children and staff from LEAPs and Riggs

worked hard to distribute the stock and make sure that the year bases had everything they needed. The families and staff of Malmesbury Park came together to support this fantastic cause and donated generously. We are delighted to have raised £641.51 - not only is this more than last year, but we have also donated more than any other primary school in the local area. Thank you to everyone who contributed their time, effort and money. The only task left is to decide how to raise even more next year!

Headteacher Tea Party – At the end of each term we usually hold a Headteacher Tea Party where one child from each class is invited to come and join Mrs. Green for cakes and squash. The children invited are those children who always try their hardest, follow our school ethos values and support others. However, due to the current Covid situation we are going to change how this happens. One child from each class will be nominated to receive a thank you gift of cakes from Mrs. Green. The products within the gift will have been in quarantine when handed over to you and will be individually wrapped.



Christmas Parties – These will be happening on Friday 18th December during the afternoon. All children are to bring only food for themselves as there can be no sharing of food at all. Children do not need to wear uniform that day.



Christmas Outcomes – We are working hard to find ways of still producing Christmas outcomes for you to enjoy. We are not able to invite in you to see performances nor can we do performances in the usual way. We are hoping to get more information out to you soon.



Absence – Please remember to inform the office if your child is absent or isolating, and keep them updated with any test results as quickly as possible.

Curriculum News

We are fast approaching the 'most wonderful time of the year' and our last projects of 2020. So we are ready to begin our final projects we have been completing our current projects: historical investigations across Key Stage 2, design and technology across Key Stage 1 and animal investigations in FS1. We have discovered wonders of the ancient world,

interesting facts and figures about the invaders and settlers to our country from the Romans to the Vikings to the Anglo Saxons and have found out all about life here in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We have found out what life was like as a cave man, a Roman soldier and a Viking trader as well as discovering how the Ancient Egyptians, Greeks and Mayans have influenced our way of life in Britain. The Wacky races are soon to take place in Year 2, there has been some fantastic design and technology happening, and many prototypes have passed the stringent testing regimes planned by the children. We wonder who the winners will be? In Year 1 there has also been lots of design and technology activity with the children designing bridges to give the troll from the Three Billy Goats Gruff a quieter life! They have enjoyed writing letters to the Troll from the Billy Goats Gruff too. FS1 have continued Roaring, Squeaking and Tweeting as they have discovered lots more interesting animal facts. FS2 have been learning at home for the last two weeks, we are really looking forward to seeing them back in school next Monday!



Cold Weather – As the weather turns colder and it is often cold and damp, please make sure your child comes to school with a coat so that they stay warm when outside during lunch and break times.

Please also ensure that your child has suitable outdoor PE kit for the winter. Outdoor PE takes place throughout the year in all schools and, as the weather gets colder, it is important that children are warm as they exercise. Children may wear their school jumpers on top of the PE kit if particularly cold, but please note that children may also wear tracksuit bottoms instead of shorts if they wish; girls who wear tights need to remember their socks!

Snow and Bad Weather Policy – In the event of disruption caused by heavy snow, the prime concern of the school must always be the safety of the children and staff. The decision to close the school will take account of the safety of all our children and staff, some of whom travel a great distance to school each day. We will always endeavour to open the school in the event of bad weather, as long as it is safe to do so. In the event of bad weather, parents should check whether the school is open before travelling to the site. There are a number of ways to confirm whether the school is open or closed:-



- Listen for lists of school closures on local radio (Heart Radio)
- Check the list of school closures on the Bournemouth Council website
- Check the school website: www.malmesburypark.com
- Check your phone to see if a text has been received from school

If the school does need to close, we will try and make a decision as early as possible. A full copy of the snow and bad weather policy can be found on our website.

Spare Underwear for Children – We sometimes find that children have no spare pants or socks in school. We would like to build up a collection of spares that we can use in an emergency situation. If you have any which you think would be suitable and would be willing to donate, please drop these into the school office. Thank you

End of Term – The last day of term is Friday 18th December – we will be finishing at the usual time of 3.15pm.

We all return to school on Monday 4th January 2021

Friends of Malmesbury Park (FOMPPS) – We hope everyone is settling into the school year - time still seems to be racing towards the end of the year.

We have successfully been awarded a grant of £1,000 from ASDA which will be used to fund hand sanitising stations throughout the school and to purchase a variety of art materials. A big thank you to Asda and particularly Nicky for her help and support.

The Christmas Raffle will still run, albeit in a different way - prizes so far are family ticket to Snowtrax, Smugglers Cove (Family golf), restaurant vouchers, Moors Valley Pass and many more. We aim to provide prizes that can be used for the whole family and support local businesses. Please watch out for info on how to buy tickets soon.... (let us know if you know of local businesses that wish to offer prizes)

We have set up a go fund me page to raise funds for laptops for the children to use. Having access to laptops in school will help to make a really difference to all children. Take a look at our website for further details and share with family and friends.

Caroline, a new member to FOMPPS has been very busy setting up our school as a recycling point. We know that the children will love to be involved in this and they will soon be letting you know what we need to collect.

Don't forget if you are doing online shopping you can go to Amazon Smile or The Giving Machine. If you access either of these a donation comes to FOMPPS. Please see all our fundraising initiatives on our FOMPPS page on the school website, under the Community Tab.

We now have an active Facebook page which is great (look for FOMPPS). Please come and join us there and we hope it will be a good school community resource to share info and events that are relevant to families.

Please look out for texts in the coming weeks which will give more details and we really appreciate all the support. Feel free to contact us via the website, school office or Facebook page - all ideas welcome and we look forward to actually seeing you face to face in the not too distant future.

Dates for Your Diary

Mon 16th Nov – National anti-bullying week.
Thurs 10th Dec – Flu vaccine day
Fri 18th Dec – Christmas Party Day and End of term
Mon 4th Jan- Return to school
Thurs 11th Feb – Break for half term
Fri 12th Feb – Inset day
Mon 22nd Feb – Inset day
Tues 23rd Feb – Return to school

Thurs 4th Mar – World Book Day
Wed 31st Mar – Break for Easter
Thurs 1st April – Inset day
Mon 19th April – Return to school
Mon 3rd May – Bank Holiday (School closed)
Mon 10th May – Y6 SATs week
Fri 28th May – Break for half term
Mon 7th June – Return to school
Fri 2nd July – Inset day
Mon 5th July – Inset day
Fri 23rd July – Last day of term

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Mindful Flow - Tuesday 11-12pm
Yin & Restorative - Wednesday 8-9pm
FREE Bedtime Yoga Nidra - Wednesday 930-10pm
Energising Flow - Friday 915-1015am

Classes cost £6.50 or 5 for £30 - Please message to book
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