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# Newsletter



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Dear Parents /Carers

Happy New Year to you all! I hope you all had a fabulous Christmas holiday. The children have certainly come back to school talking about the lovely time they had and the gifts that Santa brought them!

We are really proud of the way all the children have adjusted to school again after the break. They have come back focused and happy. Having walked through school today I saw every single child engaged in their learning. The assembly today demonstrated this too! The children were exceptionally well-behaved; they came in and out of assembly perfectly! Well done to all classes!

This term has got off to a busy start! After-school clubs are underway once again, with new children participating in Ballet, Football and the Bay Leaf Cookery course. There was less interest this term in Code Club, a computer programming club for upper Key Stage 2. We have therefore decided to move this club into the school day and offer this provision to classes across the school on a rotation. This will be targeted in classes who are already embarking on Coding as part of their planned ICT curriculum. Teachers will be able to draw on the expertise offered by Jerome Tucker from the National Code Club. Many thanks to Jerome.

This term we have planned to have a Safer Internet focus in school over the month of February to link to the National Safer Internet Day on 6th February. As part of this, we will also be offering parental information workshops giving advice to parents and children about the use of social media.

We will also be having an Arts Week in school in the last week of this half-term, focusing on the theme of 'Looking'. This will tie into the work from Lynne Gougeon's Art Club and the forthcoming Art Exhibition at East Lodge at the end of February.

I wanted to flag Parents Evening to all parents early this Spring Term. Parents Evenings are planned for the first week back after February half-term. These will be on **Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February** after school. We are looking forward to sharing children's work and progress with you at these meetings. Sign-up sheets will go into the main entrance before the half-term holiday for you to come in and select your appointment.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.  
Mrs Ellison, Headteacher



## Absences

As soon as you know your child will not be in school can you please inform the office, together with the reason. It is a legal requirement to have any absences recorded together with a reason.

## Whose is it?



As well as labelling ALL of your child's uniform, please make sure that lunch boxes/bags are clearly marked with your child's name too. As many lunchboxes are identical, this will stop any confusion.

# This Week's Achievements

<b>Holly</b>	<b>Denis</b> - For his fantastic attitude and effort this week. He has started the term with a positive attitude, a great big smile every day and has worked well in all the tasks he has been asked to do.
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Mckenzie, Yuvraj, Sehaj</b> - For really trying hard with the letter sounds in phonics this week.
<b>Hawthorn</b>	<b>Jasmine</b> - For always working hard and trying her best.
<b>Pine</b>	<b>Harrison</b> - Harry has been trying really hard with his reading. He has been reading lots at home and is becoming a fluent and confident reader. Well done Harry!

<b>Maple</b>	<b>Chloe</b> - For showing a thoughtful approach to all she does.
<b>Juniper</b>	<b>Evie</b> - For always working so hard in lessons and for trying her best.
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Georgie</b> - For a greatly improved attitude to school and work! <b>Joshua</b> - For a good start this term.
<b>Oak</b>	<b>Flynn</b> - For fabulous work in maths on percentages. You have worked extremely hard and showed determination—You even took extra work home to practise! Well done! <b>Amy</b> - For a lovely start to 2018 and becoming more confident in working independently in maths; you have also been helping others too with their maths learning! Well done!



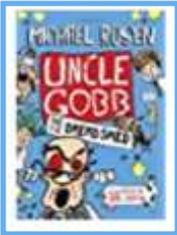
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# Book of The Week



Every week we shall be recommending a 'book of the week' for each Key Stage.



## KS1 - Uncle Gobb

Malcolm is in all ways an ordinary ten-year-old. This is a perfectly ordinary story featuring one perfectly ordinary ten year old, his very bossy uncle, some baked beans, a school which tries to make interesting things BORING, the famed Italian city of Ponky, and a genie who appears when you rub your nose. It also includes lots of very useful facts, many of which are untrue.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/Uncle-Gobb-Dread-Shed/dp/1408851326/ref=as\\_sl\\_pc\\_as\\_ss\\_li\\_tl?tag=schoolreadinglist-21&linkCode=w00&linkId=a97f67d7d72e30da86066513a81df58b&creativeASIN=1408851326](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Uncle-Gobb-Dread-Shed/dp/1408851326/ref=as_sl_pc_as_ss_li_tl?tag=schoolreadinglist-21&linkCode=w00&linkId=a97f67d7d72e30da86066513a81df58b&creativeASIN=1408851326)



## KS2 - The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe

Four adventurous siblings—Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy Pevensie—step through a wardrobe door and into the land of Narnia, a land frozen in eternal winter and enslaved by the power of the White Witch. But when almost all hope is lost, the return of the Great Lion, Aslan, signals a great change . . . and a great sacrifice.

*'A lovely story full of adventure and excitement ~ definitely worth a read!' ~ Mrs Norris*

As it is still quite dark when walking to and from school, please be vigilant when crossing roads, especially the older children who walk on their own. Sometimes drivers do not see or wait for you on a zebra crossing. Please make sure that you can be seen and that you can see any cars.

Please remember **THE GREEN CROSS CODE**

### 1. First find the safest place to cross

- If possible, cross the road at: subways, footbridges, islands, zebra, puffin, pelican or toucan crossings, or where there is a crossing point controlled by a police officer, a school crossing patrol or a traffic warden. Otherwise, choose a place where you can see clearly in all directions, and where drivers can see you.
- Try to avoid crossing between parked cars and on sharp bends or close to the top of a hill. Move to a space where drivers and riders can see you clearly.
- There should be space to reach the pavement on the other side.

### 2. Stop just before you get to the kerb

- Do not get too close to the traffic. If there is no pavement, keep back from the edge of the road but make sure you can still see approaching traffic.
- Give yourself lots of time to have a good look all around.

### 3. Look all around for traffic and listen

- Look all around for traffic and listen. Look in every direction.
- Listen carefully because you can sometimes hear traffic before you can see it.

### 4. If traffic is coming, let it pass

- Look all around again and listen.
- Do not cross until there is a safe gap in the traffic and you are certain that there is plenty of time.
- Remember, even if traffic is a long way off, it may be approaching very quickly.

### 5. When it is safe, go straight across the road – do not run

- Keep looking and listening for traffic while you cross, in case there is any traffic you did not see, or in case other traffic appears suddenly.
- Look out for cyclists and motorcyclists traveling between lanes of traffic. Do not cross diagonally.



What's on ...			
<b>January 2018</b>			
5	Friday	Day	INSET Day—Closed to Pupils
8	Monday	Day	Pupils back at school
<b>February 2018 - SAFER INTERNET MONTH</b>			
16	Friday	3.15pm	Break up for Half-Term
19-23	Week	Week	Half-Term
26	Monday	Day	INSET Day—Closed to Pupils
27	Tuesday	3.30-5.30pm	Parents Evening
28	Wednesday	3.30-6.00pm	Parents Evening

**Do you enjoy learning new things as a family?  
Are you fascinated by science, engineering and technology?  
Welcome to Warwickshire Ogden Trust Partnership Schools' Family Learning Evenings.**

Julian Richards gives a lively illustrated talk about science, Stonehenge and skeletons; showing how archaeology can bring the past to life and how primary school children can make great archaeologists.



**Tuesday 30th January 2018  
4.30-5.30pm**

**St Margaret's School Hall**

For children from years 5 and 6 with an adult  
Tickets available from school.

£5 for a child and adult

£2 for additional children or adults (not suitable for under 7's)



## Lunch Menu 15 January 2018

<u>Monday</u> <b>Organic Beef Grill in a Bun</b> (v) Salmon Pasta Bake <b>Jacket Potato</b> ~ Homemade Chocolate Cracknell	<u>Tuesday</u> <b>Bacon Medallion and Port Sausage</b> (v) Cheesy Pasta <b>Jacket Potato</b> ~ Iced Strawberry Bun	<u>Wednesday</u> <b>Roast Chicken Joint</b> (v) Vegetable Curry <b>Jacket Potato</b> ~ Homemade Frosted Chocolate Sponge	<u>Thursday</u> <b>Spaghetti Bolognese</b> (v) Cheese & Tomato Pizza <b>Jacket Potato</b> ~ Pancake with Banana Chunks	<u>Friday</u> <b>Battered Fish Fillett</b> (v) Pasta with broccoli and Sweetcorn <b>Jacket Potato</b> ~ Homemade Melting Moment Biscuit Ice Cream Tub
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**Jacket Potato: each day choose a filling from: Cheese, Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheese and Beans**



### Everyday

Bread and chilled water are available throughout lunch. Fresh fruit platters, organic yoghurts and rice pots are available as alternative desserts.

Fresh fruits and vegetables used are subject to seasonal variation.

(MSC) Certified Sustainable Seafood

A non meat dish is available daily

Please let your school cook know if you require a vegetarian meal on a day when one isn't shown. For more information about school meals go to [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolmeals)

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