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ALI'S BLOG

We have had some really exciting Marvellous Middles this week, children are really engaged with their projects and producing some wonderful work, some of which is on display in our main Reception. Some children have been on school trips this week and they have behaved impeccably, the children are a real credit to King's Oak Primary School.

Attendance for the week - 96%

Attendance for the year so far - 94%

Family Support News

New drop in service every Friday - 9am - 1pm

Are you unemployed and receiving benefits? If so, then come along to our new drop in session every Friday, where you can speak to our adviser about a range of topics, including housing advice, getting back into work, benefits advice, training and volunteering, CV writing, job applications and interview skills.

Please contact Holly (Family Support Worker) for further information, or just drop in on the day!

BedPop Science Lab - 10th March

As part of British Science Week, the BedPop Science Labs will once again be popping up in venues across Bedford. On **Saturday 10th March**, eight BedPop Science Labs will host lots of hands-on workshops, activities, demos and experiments. Everything is FREE to take part in and everyone is invited!

Venues include In2Beats radio station, Gallone's ice cream parlour, Bedford Central Library, Rogan's Books, The Higgins Bedford, Ready Steady Roll, Slide Record Shop, the John Bunyan Museum and the Basement @ Bunyan.

Please visit www.bedpop.co.uk/2018/bedpop-science-lab-march-10th-2018/ for further information.

Cold Weather

As the weather continues to remain cold, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately in warm clothes for school, and brings a cardigan/jumper and coat to school everyday, even if you are dropping them off in a car.



Classes with highest attendance week beginning 19th February:

EYS & KS1 - Farmer Ducks - 99.44%
LKS2 - Aladdin - 98.58%
UKS2 - Lion, Witch, Wardrobe - 100%

These classes can wear mufti next Friday 2nd March 2018.

LOST PROPERTY - There are a number of items in the lost property box, most are unnamed, please can you make sure that all yours child's clothing is **clearly named** so we can return items. If you are missing any items, please ask at reception.



Contact Details

Please ensure we have correct contact details for you, in case of an emergency. We have recently had a number of incidents where we have been unable to contact parents/carers.



A contact update form is available from the Office.

PTA News

The PTA are holding a meeting at **3.30pm** on **Tuesday 27th February** to start planning for the Summer Fayre. All are welcome and children can come too! Please go to the school office.

Medical Absences

If your child is absent due to a medical appointment, please remember you must provide evidence for this. This can be an appointment card, text from the doctor/dentist, a copy of the prescription or something similar. If you do not provide this evidence, school may not be able to authorise the absence.

Thank you.



Dawn Until Dusk are considering running a holiday club at school during the Easter Holiday's.

If you would be interested in this, please email Tracey Baine, Club Manager - traceybraine@kidsdowntildusk.co.uk by Friday 2nd March.

Cost: £30 for a full day / £18 for half session am/pm if booked by Thursday 15th March.

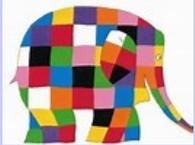
Parking on and around site



Please can we remind parents to park their cars safely and considerately on and around the school site. Please also make sure your children walk into school and do not run across the car park. Safety comes first!

Please observe our speed limit of 5mph.

Thank you.



Reception - Elmers Class Blog

This week in Reception we have had our marvellous middle. The National Space Centre visited the school, the children enjoyed stories in the space dome and looking at the stars and planets. "I liked it when it went dark, like at night time and we could see the stars" said Chris. Savannah said "I enjoyed the story with the princess in it, when the man was telling us what people long ago thought of the stars". In Maths we have been looking at one less than, and we have been using cubes to help us understand that one less means we need to take something away.



Year 4 - BFG's Class Blog

In BFG class we have started our new topic. We are learning about The Aztecs. We wrote down all the things we needed to learn, such as, where they lived, what they wore, what they believed in and what they are most famous for. We solved a riddle and found out that they discovered popcorn and chocolate. We used a method of research called - jigsaw. We worked in different groups and taught each other the answers to different research questions. We are really looking forward to the rest of the term and learning lots more.



Reporting your child sick or absent from school:

Tel number: **01234 220480 - option 1**

Please ensure that you leave a clear message with your child's full name, class/year group and reason for absence.



Reporting Nursery Absences

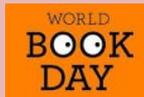
If your child is poorly and unable to come to nursery, please phone the school office on **01234 220480 - option 1**, before the start of the session.



World Book Week - w/c 26th February

As part of World Book Week, you are invited to visit your children's classes on **Friday 2nd March from 2.30 - 3.00pm** to see what fabulous activities they have been taking part in. You will also be able to spend some time reading with your child.

Don't forget that **Thursday 1st March** is World Book Day. We would like all children to come in dressed as their favourite book character to celebrate.



New School Council Page on Website

We now have a page dedicated to the School Council on our website (under News tab). Here you will find out who is on the School Council and what each team does. There will be regular blogs appearing, so please visit www.kingsoakprimary.co.uk and check it out!

