

William Gilpin Church of England VA Primary School

Fortnightly Bulletin-Jan 4th



"The greatest oak was once an acorn that held its ground"

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After speaking with parents at the Parent's Forum there was a request for more regular updates on dates and school news. I would very much like to keep the half termly newsletter format as I think it is a great way to celebrate all that goes on but think a fortnightly bulletin will ensure parents feel in the loop about events. As always if you have a query about anything just ask.

Mrs Kennedy

Dates for the fortnight

Fri 6th Jan ~ Forest School talk for parents
2.15pm-3.10pm
Wed 11th Jan ~ Family Worship
Fri 13th Jan ~ Forest School
12.00-1.30pm Y1/2
1.30-3.00pm Y3/4

School Uniform

Please ensure your child is always in correct uniform, I believe being well presented and smart has a real influence on behaviour and attitudes. If occasionally there is a problem please do let us know as soon as possible e.g. a lost shoe! You can find information on our uniform guidelines on the school website.

Oak Class Swimming sessions

Here is some information from The Lymington Recreation Centre and us regarding swimming sessions—

- ⇒ Parents are not permitted to enter the changing rooms. Children must be dropped off at the changing room door and collected from the main reception.
- ⇒ Parents may stay and watch or we are very happy for you to leave and return after the session at 3.10 to collect your child from the main reception.
- ⇒ If you choose to stay your child will have been instructed they are in a lesson and will not be able to come and speak with you.
- ⇒ Please do not query anything during the session, if you do have a query speak to Miss Mayman afterwards.
- ⇒ Please be sensitive to the children learning to swim, do not comment on other children's progress.

We think this a really exciting opportunity and look forward to it beginning tomorrow!

Forest School

Forest school will be starting soon and it is crucial we have enough volunteers. Please sign up in the office to let us know any sessions you can help with. There is a risk assessment to read and sign prior to being involved. Children will need to be correctly dressed for forest school. This means outdoor clothing and footwear. Shorts, dresses and sandals are not appropriate. Please could I remind parents that a contribution of £2 per child should be dropped into the school office to help cover the total cost of forest school. Thank you.

After School Provision

As I am sure you are all aware we are now offering after school provision until 6pm each day after school. I wanted to

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
3.10- 4.30 Registration &Free Play/school club	Free Play e.g. Lego, board games etc.	Free Play	Free Play	Free Play	Free Play
Snack Time 4.00 – 4.30	Snack and Fruit Milk and Water available	Snack and Fruit Milk and Water available	Snack and Fruit Milk and Water available	Snack and Fruit Milk and Water available	Snack and Fruit Milk and Water available
Activity Time 4.30 – 5.30	<u>CHALLENGE</u> Build the tallest tower out of paper and sellotape	<u>CRAFT</u> Making Thank you cards or Colouring calendars	<u>COOKING</u> Cheese and Courgette Muffins	<u>CRAFT</u> Making Thank you cards or Colouring calendars	<u>FILM NIGHT</u> Children to decide on choice of film. Craft available.
Free Play / Tidy up time Story Time 5.30- 6pm	Session to end with a story.	Session to end with a story.	Session to end with a story.	Session to end with a story.	Session to end with a story.

include an example timetable so you could see what sort of activities would be happening each week. Children will also be able to join in with sports clubs already on offer within the cost (£10).