

Mulbarton Junior School



Newsletter

May 2017

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www.mulbartonjunior.org.uk

The year seems to have flown by and we are now heading for the last half term. Thank you all for your support during the year and for your words of encouragement.

The primary process continues on and we now have a superb new logo which will be sent to the Local Authority for them to start making our new signage. Congratulations to Grace North for her runner up design and to Mia Barrett for the winning design.



The new handwriting project is going well and children are pleased to be able to showcase the improvements they are making. Please do take part in the handwriting challenge that has been set (see page 3 overleaf for details) - we will be displaying some of the returns we receive from you and your child.

This term we received no questions for the forum so it was cancelled. Please do contact me via the office if you feel it would be good to run another forum before the end of term.

Congratulations to our wonderful Year 6 children and staff who had a worry free SATs week and gave it their best. I am very proud of how they conducted themselves during the tests.

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Burchell this term but I am sure we will still see her around school as she comes in to do some volunteer reading. I want to thank her for all her hard work over the last few years and wish her all the best for the future. Mrs Brooks will be teaching 4B on Mondays and Tuesdays for the last half term.

I hope you all enjoy the half term break and I look forward to welcoming you back in June.

Bev Theobald

Diary Dates

May

Friday 19th - Friends Bingo 6pm
Monday 22nd - Y4 Maths café 9:00 - 10:00
Monday 22nd - 3SP class assembly 2:40pm
Friday 26th - school closes

Half Term

June

Monday 5th - school reopens
Monday 5th - Year 5 Eaton Vale activities day
Monday 5th - 4A class assembly 2:40pm
Thursday 8th - book sale 3:15pm
Friday 9th - non-uniform for tombola prizes for Summer Fayre

Monday 12th - Year 6 Derbyshire week
Tuesday 13th - 3D visit to Easton Farm
Tuesday 13th - 3SP, Y4 & Y5 Fun Run Eaton Park
10:00 - 12:00

Wednesday 14th - 3SP visit to Easton Farm
Monday 19th - 5S class assembly 2:40pm
Tuesday 20th - Year 5 visit to Amazona Zoo Cromer
Friday 23rd - non-uniform for cakes for Fayre
Friday 23rd - Summer Fayre

Diary Dates

June

Monday 26th - Sports Day
(please note there is no reserve date this year)
Thursday 29th - class and Y6 leavers photographs

July

Monday 3rd)
Tuesday 4th) - transition days
Wednesday 5th)
Monday 10th - 4B class assembly 2:40pm
Tuesday 11th - current Y4 parents to meet Y5 staff
2:30pm
Wednesday 12th - current Y2 parents to meet Y3
staff 2:30pm
Thursday 13th - current Y3 parents to meet Y4 staff
2:30pm
Friday 14th - current Y5 parents to meet Y6 staff
2:30pm
Friday 14th - Annual Reports going home
Tuesday 18th - Leavers assembly 2:30pm

*(dates and times correct as at 18.5.17
- subject to alteration, if necessary)*

Friends of Mulbarton Junior School

Father's Day Mugs

Coming home with this newsletter is a template for a Father's Day mug. The order form is attached to the template. If you would like your child to design a mug please return designs with orders & payment to school by Monday 22nd May. Cheques should be made payable to Mulbarton Junior School.

Bingo

We also have a Family Bingo evening Friday 19th May (last opportunity for Year 6)! Please do come along, we have some excellent bingo prizes - thank you so much for your donations.

Summer Fayre

We have an exciting new project to create a wildlife area between the two schools, outside the Year 2 and Year 3 classrooms. There are also plans to revamp the butterfly garden so that all the children, from reception through to Year 6, can enjoy our lovely wildlife outdoor learning spaces.

To raise money for this work our major fundraising effort of the year, the Summer Fayre, will take place on Friday 23rd June 5pm - 7pm and will be a joint event with the Infant school. Please make a note of the date; we hope you can join us for all or part of this event. There will be a barbecue, refreshments, various stalls and lots more! If any parents would like, or know of anyone who would like, a stall at the Fayre, the fee is £10 plus a prize for the raffle.

Stratford Estate Agent are very kindly doing advertising boards for us. If you'd be happy to have a board outside your house for a few weeks please contact Jo Edgar with your name and address
joedgar76@aol.com

The Friends' Committee relies on parent help for events such as this and if any of you can spare some time on the day - either in the setting up of the Fayre, looking after a stall, or clearing up after the event, please let the school office know.

Handwriting Challenges

Last Thursday we emailed out some handwriting challenges for your child to try at home. We've invited you to send into school photographs or examples of your child completing the tasks and then these will be included in displays around school. We would like evidence of at least one to be returned to school before the 26th May. However do feel free to carry on doing as many as you like during the whole term. If you would like a paper copy of the challenges, please let the office know.

Transition Arrangements

We have three transition days planned for the children to spend in their new classrooms and with the teachers they will have in September. (Please note there will be some reorganisation of the classes, but details are not going to be available until 3rd July.)

On Monday 3rd July everyone will register in their current class before moving to their new class for the rest of the day. On that morning parents/carers will be informed by email or text message of their child's new class and teacher. At 3:15pm the children will be told they are welcome to bring their parent(s) into school to see their new classroom and to say hello to the teacher. (This will be very informal; there will be an opportunity for parents/carers to find out more about the new academic year the following week - details below.)

Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th will also be transition days and the children will spend these two days with their new teachers in addition to the Monday. (Year 6 children not at their High school induction days will be helping in each class.)

The following week there will an opportunity for you to find out more about next year with meetings for parents/carers, starting at 2:30pm, as follows:-

Tuesday 11th July - current Year 4 to meet September's Year 5 teachers

Wednesday 12th July current Year 2 to meet September's Year 3 teachers

Thursday 13th July current Year 3 to meet September's Year 4 teachers

Friday 14th July current Year 5 to meet September's Year 6 teachers

"Keep a Child Warm"

We recently sent home details of this scheme run by Operation Orphan that we are supporting. Any spare winter coats, hats, scarves, gloves, snowsuits ski wear and blankets they would be very grateful for. Please bring into school on **28th June**. We cannot accept donations until then as we do not have the storage space.

Book Sale

As part of Mulbarton Words Week we will be having a book sale by Ketts Books of Wymondham. This will be on Thursday 8th June in the hall starting at 3:15pm. All welcome. Payment in cash preferred.

Book Fair

Thank you very much for your support with the recent Book Fair. From the commission we were able to select £324 worth of free books for the library!

Lunchtime and After School Activities

'The Hub' is open Monday, Thursday & Friday lunchtimes, in 5W classroom, 12:40 - 1:10. Anyone who would like to take part in quiet activities such as board games, jigsaws, colouring etc. is very welcome.

Day of Week	Activity	Organised by	Contact Details
Monday	Cross Stitch Club 12:45 - 1:15	Mrs Sowter & Mrs Lockitch	via school office
Monday	Set Your Sights Drama Club 3:15 - 4:15pm	Set Your Sights	Tom 07881 802769
Monday	Ukulele Club 3:20 - 4:00pm	Clara Wiseman	www.iloveukeco.uk
Monday	Yoga (adult) 7:30 - 9:00pm	Harry Young	Tel: 01603 412072
Tuesday	Archery (Y5/6) 3:15 - 4:25pm	Premier Sport	premiersport.org
Tuesday	DramActive 5:00 - 6:00pm	Jane Ashdown	Tel: 01953 788285 Mobile: 07768830668
Wednesday	Recorders lunchtime	Mrs Burchell	via school office
Wednesday	St John Ambulance (adults) 7:30 - 9:30pm	Belinda Buxton	c/o the school
Thursday	Archery (Y3/4) 3:15 - 4:25pm	Premier Sports	premiersport.org
Thursday	Zumba (adult) 7:00 - 8:00pm	Rachel	Mobile: 07789 748457 rachel@zumba-norwich.co.uk

Please note the after school sport clubs on Tuesdays and Thursdays will be athletics after half term.

Term Dates 2017

Summer Term 2017
School closes Friday 26th May
Half Term
School opens Monday 5th June
School closes Friday 21st July

Autumn Term 2017
School opens Wednesday 6th September
School closes Thursday 19th October
Half Term
School opens Monday 30th October
School closes Tuesday 19th December

Dates for the academic year 2017/2018 have been published by Norfolk County Council and can be found on the Council website www.norfolk.gov.uk