



**Term Dates**            **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**Half Term Holiday**    **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019**

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## **Welcome Back and Happy New Year!**

We hope that everyone had a lovely Christmas holiday and that Santa was good to you all! If you were lucky enough to get a new mobile phone we would be grateful if you could let us know if the number has changed so that we can update your child's emergency contact information.



The school mobile telephone number, which parents can use to text the office if their child is absent from school, is **0734 0345 360**. If you would like to report an absence by text please send a message before 9.15 a.m. with your child's full name and the reason for their absence. The normal school telephone number, **01946 66356**, can be used to speak to a member of staff or leave a message if the school is closed.

Also, don't forget to let us know if you move house. Thank you.

## **Christmas Fundraising & Raffle**

Thank you for your support for our Christmas Productions and fundraising last term.

The amounts raised were:            Ticket sales - £680

Envelope draw/ Programmes/Refreshments - £564.71

Morrisons carol singing bucket collection - £631.10

## **After School Clubs & Activities**

Homework and after school clubs will start in the week beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January. Please look out for the separate letter and return it to school to give permission for your child to stay behind after school or come to Early Birds sessions.

## **Reception Class Applications**

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January is the closing date for applications for a place in the Reception class this September. Nursery parents who have not sent their application form to the Local Authority (either by post or online) will need to do this urgently as places in the class are limited.**

## **Life Bus**

The Life Bus will be visiting school on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> & Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Each class will have a workshop on the bus and to find out lots about how the human body works and how to keep healthy. There will be a session for parents too – more details later.



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### Social Media & Apps

We would be very grateful if parents could talk to children about the use of apps such as Instagram, Snap Chat and other social media, in order that they are safe online. It would also be useful if parents would check that apps being used on phones and iPads are age appropriate for children, as most social media apps of this type are recommended for over 13s only. Thank you.

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### Visits & Visitors

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Jan – Year 5 - 'Water' Workshop  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Jan – First Lego League Competition  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan – Year 5 & 6 Athletics at Valley Primary  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Year 4 & 5 visit to Glasgow Science Museum



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### Swimming



The Year 5 class will be going swimming every Friday this term. The first session will be on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January. Please remember to bring swimming costumes, towels and armbands, if needed, and make sure that all items are clearly marked with your child's name.

Reminder - ear rings and jewellery are not allowed to be worn in school or at the pool.

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### Dinner Money

Dolce lunch prices this term are as follows: Nursery meals cost £1.40 each/ £7 per week and KS 2 meals cost £2.20 each/ £11 per week.

If you would like to pre-order meals for your child or pay Dolce by direct debit, please send an e-mail address to the school office and you will be sent login details for the Live Kitchen website.

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### Uniform & P.E. Kits

Just a reminder that school uniform is as follows:

***A royal blue sweatshirt or sweatshirt cardigan, dark grey trousers/skirt and white polo shirt. During the summer term or when the weather is hot, blue checked summer dresses are acceptable and boys may wear grey shorts.***

Sports pants, joggers and hoodies are not school uniform.

P.E. kit is a white T shirt (not the same one worn in class), black shorts and black pumps.

Please make sure that pupils have their P.E. kit in school every day.

Kits should be brought on Monday mornings and taken home on Friday afternoon to be washed.

Years 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 pupils need to come to school in outdoor P.E. kit on Wednesday mornings with their uniform in a bag for afternoon lessons.

Jewellery is not allowed in school – this includes all types of earrings.

Wrist watches may be worn in class but must be removed for P.E. lessons.



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