



30<sup>th</sup> January 2019

### Macmillan coffee afternoon

Thank you to everyone who came along to support this event and well done to our Year 6 children who did such a good job at hosting.

The event raised £177 for Macmillan cancer support!

### School council

Our school councillors are currently looking at healthy packed lunches. They will be leading an assembly on Friday where they will talk to children about what science says about healthy eating.

In the next newsletter they will share their findings with parents.

### School meals

Sometimes it is necessary for Integra Catering to change the school menu. When school knows about this in advance we will always make you aware through the newsletter or email system.

However, very occasionally this may happen when a supplier is does not make a delivery on time. When this is the case, the kitchen needs to alter the menu unavoidably.

Thank you for your understanding when this is the case.

### Music day

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February**, all children will be taking part in a music day at the village hall. The day has been organised by Mrs Lyall and we will be joined by Bristol based music teacher Emily Sheahan-Jones and African drumming teacher Rubba.

All children will have the chance to participate in three music workshops during the day. There will be a **presentation to parents at 2.30pm** in the village hall.

As our Year 5/6 children are visiting Brimsham Green Secondary School during the afternoon to see a performance of The Tempest, they **will not take part in the parent presentation**. They will, however, be fully involved in all of the music activities during the day.

### Star learners

Last week's star learners were:

**Kestrels – Lilliana**

**Falcons – Alfie**

**Eagles – Joe T**

**Golden Eagles – Wesley**

Well done to all of our star learners for your hard work and perseverance.

### Online pupil survey

Children in years 4, 5 and 6 are taking part in a survey being conducted on behalf of South Gloucestershire Council, through the Health in Schools Programme. It provides an opportunity for pupils to voice their opinions on different health and wellbeing themes and have some influence in the future provision of health and wellbeing resources. Our school will get feedback on our pupils' school experience and useful information for future Ofsted inspections. The survey is completely anonymous and will be run over this term. We look forward to sharing the information with parents/carers later in the year when the data has been analysed.

### Parking

The landlady at The Lamb continues to be happy to allow parents to park in the car park at the beginning and end of the school day. If you choose to use the pub car park to park we ask that you do not double park in front of the building; it is best to park around the edge of the car park to the right of the pub. There is plenty of additional parking space on Holly Hill just around the corner.

During the summer term we will, once again, be encouraging parents and children to join us for walk to school each Friday.

### Staffing

In the previous issue of the newsletter you were informed that Miss Turner had resigned from her position as teaching assistant.

On Monday, interviews took place and we are now pleased to inform you that Mrs Trixie Journeaux will join the Iron Acton team for 3 afternoons per week.

Mrs Journeaux is a highly experienced early years practitioner who is currently working as a teaching assistant at Hawkesbury.

### Safer internet day

On **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February**, we will be joining in with the national safer internet day. Using the internet safely is a huge part of our computing curriculum but this will provide an additional opportunity to raise the profile of this important issue and allow teachers to deliver age appropriate lessons to help children stay safe online.

### Outdoor learning day

Our next outdoor learning day will take place on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February** (weather permitting). The aim is for all children to be outside for as much of the day as possible where they will be encouraged to use the amazing outdoor environment at Iron Acton as an outside classroom for the day.

We ask that all children have old trainers or wellies in school to wear and that they have warm clothes to wrap up in. If it is particularly cold or wet we will review whether to go ahead or postpone to another day.

### Term dates

The final day of term is **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February**. Children will start back at school on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** as **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February** is a staff training day.

All other dates are available on the website under the calendar section.