Infant Info

November 2024

Our School Values
Safety
Respect
Happiness
Teamwork
Effort

Welcome back! Teachers have planned an exciting curriculum for this half-term, designed to help children know and remember more. Our website has been updated with this half-term's planning so that you can find out all about your child's curriculum. Access at curriculum overviews for parents.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th November	**Remembrance Day** Children will learn about the significance of Remembrance Day in an age appropriate way and observe a silence to mark Armistice Day 2024 at 11am today.
Monday 11th November *ALL (Classes 1-10)*	**Anti-Bullying Week** Anti-Bullying Week 2024 is from Monday 11th - Friday 15th November. We will use this week to help children to understand what bullying is and to teach them how they can disagree with other children respectfully.
Monday 11th November 2.30pm-3.30pm *ALL (Classes 1—10)*	**Drop-in session for advice and support (and every 2nd Monday of the month)** Family life can be challenging! Pop into school to see a friendly Children Centre's Family Co-ordinator for information, advice and guidance on all aspects of parenting. They will listen to your worries and explore your family's needs and agree your next steps. No appointment needed.
Friday 15th November *ALL*	**Non-Uniform Day for Children in Need** For this year's appeal, we are asking you to go spotty for BBC Children in Need! Children can come in non-uniform on this day and dress in something spotty (stripes welcome too!). Please send in a donation for Children in Need with your child.
Wednesday 20th November—Classes 1-4 Thursday 21st November–Classes 1 & 5-10	**School Photographs** Say cheese! The school photographer will be in school on Wednesday 20th November (Classes 1-4) and Thursday 21st November (Classes 1 & 5-10) to take individual photos of the children. You will receive a proof with an individual code to view / order your child's photograph online. If you do not want your child to participate, please let us know. The photographer will be in the school hall from 8.00am both days for anyone wanting sibling photographs. Just turn up!
Friday 22nd November *ALL*	**Bags2School** Bags2School will be making a collection of clean clothes, shoes, socks, belts and handbags. Please remember, no school uniform of any kind. Please leave your bags outside the school office at drop-off time or with school staff in the Tesco carpark between 8.15-8.45am.
Thursday 28th November 7pm *ALL*	**MWISFC—Christmas Wreath Workshop** We have limited places available on our fantastic Christmas Wreath Workshop. For just £32.50, you will have professional instruction from Bohemia Floral Design to create your own beautiful Christmas Wreath. The price includes a glass of mulled wine or prosecco and a mince pie! Message MWIS Fundraising Committee at mwisfundraising@gmail.com to book your place.
Friday 29th November *ALL*	**NEW MWISFC event– "Step Into Christmas" Non-Uniform Day** Help us to get our school ready for Christmas and raise funds for school at the same time! Children can dress up for Christmas in this sponsored event. Further details to follow.
Thurs 12th Dec 10am Mon 16th Dec 2pm Tues 17th Dec 10am	**Christmas Nativity (Classes 1 (Mrs Oliver) & 2 (Mrs Randle)** Parents/grandparents of children in Classes 1 & 2 are warmly invited to attend a performance. Please ***come to one performance*** **only** as this keeps audience numbers manageable. Classes 1 & 2 will participate in all 3 performances so choose the date that suits you best.
Thurs 12th Dec 2pm Fri 13th Dec 10am Tues 17th Dec 2pm	**Christmas Nativity (Classes 3 (Miss Vickers) & 4 (Miss Leetham)** Parents/grandparents of children in Classes 3 & 4 are warmly invited to attend a performance. Please ***come to one performance*** **only** as this keeps audience numbers manageable. Classes 3 & 4 will participate in all 3 performances so choose the date that suits you best.
Friday 20th December *ALL*	**End of Term** School closes at 3.30pm and re-opens on **TUESDAY 7th January 2025** at 8.45am - 8.55am.
Deadline date: 15th January 2025 *New starters* *Y2*	**Starting Market Weighton Infant School September 2025** If your child is due to start school in September 2025, you will need to apply for a school place through the local authority (even if you have already secured a place at our school nursery). The closing date is 15th January 2025. **We are highly likely to be over-subscribed again in September, so please make sure you register or your child may miss out on a place.** **Starting Mount Pleasant Junior School** If your child is in Year 2, you will need to make a formal application for his/her place at the junior school through the local authority. The closing date is 15th January 2025.

Reminders.....

- Please keep a change of shoes (such as plimsolls) in school so that we can keep carpets clean. Wellies or warm boots are ideal for outside. Please name all belongings.
- Please remember to ensure that your child does NOT ride their bike or scooter on school grounds. The enforcement of this simple rule will help to avoid accidents and injuries for both children and adults.
- Please remember not to cut across the car park at drop off and collection times, but stay on the school paths. The school office can be accessed via the paths.
- **Please continue to adhere to the School Street's timed restrictions between 8:15-9:15am and 3:00-4:00pm daily, during term time. Humberside Police are enforcing the restriction, where fixed penalty notices could be issued to those drivers who travel within the restricted zone without a permit or valid exemption. Please pass this reminder onto any friends or relatives who help you out on the school run.**

Attendance Matters

- We have set a school target for the year of 96%.
- The average attendance for the whole school since 3rd September 2024 is **96.2%** (national is 95.2%).
- Many thanks for helping us to keep our attendance levels above average.

Please ring the school between 8.30am and 9.00am to report your child's first day of absence.

In Year 1, children will need to be in school during the week beginning 9th June in order to complete the Y1 Phonics Check. Children's full attendance during this period and the run up to them will be very important. The formal testing in Y2 known as "SATS" is no longer statutory and your child's attainment at the end of Key Stage 1 will be assessed through ongoing work set by the teacher.

Foundation Stage Christmas Performances: FAQs

Can I take photos?
Arrangements for taking photographs during our Christmas Concerts will be given on the day. Please do not put any images on social networking sites such as Facebook without permission of the other children's parents. **If you do not wish for your child to have their picture taken, please let us know so that we can make appropriate arrangements.**

Can I bring a toddler?
If possible, please arrange child care for young children as their noise can be distracting for our young performers! However, if this is not possible, please sit near an exit so that you can take them out if they get too noisy. Please leave prams outside.

Do I need tickets?
Please note that no tickets are necessary—we are working on the assumption that most families will have two spectators, some less, some slightly more. With this in mind, we should have enough places for everyone, providing that F2 parents come to one performance only. **If anyone is disabled or requires a high seat, please let us know in advance.**

Can I take my child home early afterwards?
Getting the children changed after the performances will take some time and so we anticipate that all children will be released at their usual time. You will need to collect them from their usual door.

After-school clubs

Clubs will run for a period of 4 weeks from the week beginning 11th November. Please use the Arbor app to sign your child up for a club or contact the school office if you need help.

School bags

Please do not send large bags and ruck-sacks into school– our cloakrooms do not have a lot of space. Instead, please send your child with a school book bag as this is slim enough to store in a class box or your child's drawer.



Thank you for your co-operation.

What should I do if I am worried about a child or young person?

If you are ever concerned that a child is in immediate danger please call the police on 999. Safeguarding children and young people is the responsibility of everyone. If you want to discuss a child that you are worried about, or make a self-referral you can contact the Safeguarding and Partnership Hub (SaPH) during office hours on **(01482) 395500** and a social worker will be able to talk through your worries with you and discuss what happens next.

Underwear Appeal
If you have any pants, socks or tights which your child has grown out of, we would really appreciate you bringing them to school for us to keep as spares. Please drop them off at the school office or hand over to your child's teacher. Many thanks.

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Keeping Children Safe