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Our Guiding Light

Jesus said

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my Disciples, if you have love for one another. (John 13-34-35)

KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

Welcome back to the start of a new term which seems to have come with the promise of better weather! We have been glad of the sunshine as a number of classes have enjoyed trips this week. Year 3 performed well at the first rehearsal for the Junior Music Festival on Tuesday and Year 2 had a wonderful time at The Look Out Discovery Centre on Wednesday. Yesterday, Year 1 joined several schools from across the borough to take part in 'The Big Active 60 Festival' at Braywick. They learnt lots of new skills trying a range of sports while gaining points for the team. Our football team have played a couple of matches, one against White Waltham which unfortunately they lost 2-0, the other against Oldfield which also resulted in a loss. Our newspaper editors have continued to raise money for UNICEF by selling the latest edition of 'Trinity Times', having collected £45.92 for The Salvation Army last month and last evening Mr Redjeb and I attended a Recital and Award Ceremony organised by the Maidenhead Thames Rotary Club to celebrate the success of young writers in the borough. Representing our school was Year 6 pupil, Zara McCready, whose persuasive piece about the importance of looking after our environment was read out in front of the mayor and other distinguished guest having been selected by the judging panel as a particularly powerful piece. It certainly has been a busy but successful week for many. On Monday we launch Book Week so do take a look below at how you can help the week run smoothly for your child.

Book Week Information:

Our theme for Book Week this year is 'Belonging' which ties in well with the work we did during Children's Mental Health Week just before half term. Throughout the five days we will be taking inspiration from a beautiful picture book, 'The Comet' by Joe Todd-Stanton. We will of course be welcoming authors into school, some local, others from further afield. On the day of their visit each will bring a selection of their books which they are happy to sign for anyone who makes a purchase. Therefore, you are welcome to send your child into school on the following days with money (in a named wallet or sealed named envelope) should they choose to buy a book.

- **Monday:** Author Tamsyn Murray [Tamsyn Murray Online!](#)
- **Tuesday:** Author and parent Amanda Boulding [Amanda Boulding | Discover Inspiring Children's Books](#) (see flyer)
- **Tuesday and Thursday (while at the Little Bookshop):** Fran Harlow
- **Friday:** Author Haroon Khan and Author Marielle Bayliss <https://graffeg.com/pages/marielle-maidenhead-event>

On Wednesday afternoon we will be welcoming a travelling theatre company to school with their production of 'The Wizard of Oz' and we are also thrilled that a number of parents have volunteered to give up their time to talk to the children on book related matters. We are enormously grateful to them.

Visit to the Little Bookshop:

During the week each class will make a visit to the Little Bookshop in the village. They will take with them a World Book Day £1 Book Token which they can exchange for one of the many books published especially for the occasion. Alternatively, they can use it as a token to get £1 off any other book they choose to buy. Therefore, on the day your child's class visits the bookshop they are again invited to bring money to school in a named wallet or sealed named envelope to take with them. Classes will be visiting on the following days:

- **9:05am on Tuesday – Year 5**
- **10:20am on Tuesday – Year 3**
- **1:20pm on Tuesday – Year 6**
- **2:05pm on Tuesday – Year 4**

- **9:05am on Wednesday – Year 1**
- **10:20am on Wednesday – Year 2**
- **1:20pm on Wednesday – Reception**

We would be most grateful for your help walking the children there and back safely. If you are able to join us, simply arrive at the front entrance at the time specified above where we will meet you.

Dress-Up Day – Friday 6th March:

To end Book Week your child is invited to come to school on Friday dressed as a character from a book. Every year this provides quite a spectacle so we hope this year will be no different! It promises to be an interesting and varied week successfully promoting the joy of reading especially during National Year of Reading so we hope your child will speak positively about all the things we have laid on.

Over the next fortnight Maidenhead's Big Read is also taking place. The team are putting on a range of events locally. To see what is happening, go to: <https://mailchi.mp/821e82ba0f08/mbr-newsletter-18099162>

Parents' Evening:

Please refer to the email sent out this week giving details of how to book a parents' evening slot. **Please note that apart from Wrap Around Care, clubs will NOT meet after school on Tuesday or Thursday.**

National Offer Day – Monday 2nd March:

If you have a child in Year 6 please refer to the important email about school places sent to you yesterday so you are clear on the process.

School Lunches:

If you have placed orders for your child's lunches this week, thank you. Please continue to do so as the weeks pass so that our catering team can be sure to cook the right number of meals without anyone missing out. We want to avoid the inconvenience of phoning you to request a packed lunch is brought to school.

PTA News:

You will remember that recently the children were invited to enter a competition to design a cover for this year HT Fest brochure. From all the entries Barnaby King was chosen as the winner. He was presented with his prize in assembly today and all those who took part also received something special. Congratulations to them all and thank you to Mrs Jones for coordinating things.

Extra-Curricular Activities:

For news of clubs running again this term, please go to the end of the newsletter where they are listed.

Enjoy the weekend and we shall look forward to seeing you bright and early on Monday for the start of Book Week

Anna Smith

CALENDAR DATES

While some key dates appear below, please continue to refer to this section in our newsletter throughout the year as new dates will be added on a regular basis as events come up. **Any new additions (or any changes and deadlines) are highlighted in blue.**

2 nd – 6 th March	Book week Trips to the Little Bookshop: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:05am on Tuesday – Year 5• 10:20am on Tuesday – Year 3• 1:20pm on Tuesday – Year 6• 2:05pm on Tuesday – Year 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:05am on Wednesday – Year 1• 10:20am on Wednesday – Year 2• 1:20pm on Wednesday – Reception
3 rd March	Virtual Parent Consultations please refer to email NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS MEETING (except WA4U)
5 th March	Virtual Parent Consultations (whole school with the exception of Y4) NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS MEETING (except WA4U)
6 th March	Dress-Up Day
6 th March	PTA Guided Meditation Evening 7:30pm – 9pm (ladies only) See details and booking link sent out today in an email
10 th March	Y4 Parents Evening only (after school clubs meeting as usual)
11 th March	Netball match v Holyport CE Primary School (home), selected children informed by letter.
12 th March	Home Football Matches vs Lowbrook Boys and Girls, (selected children informed by letter)
14 th March	PTA Ball
18 th March	Ascot Bake-Off Finals (Year 5 participating)
25 th March	Rock Steady Concert, school hall 9:30am
30 th March – 10 th April	EASTER HOLIDAY
27 th April	PTA meeting 8pm Kings Arms
1 st May	Window for Applying for the Buckinghamshire Transfer Tests Opens
5 th May	Junior Music Festival Rehearsal for Year 3 (please refer to letter)
6 th May	Year 4 trip to 'The Lion King' (details to follow)
8 th May	Cookham Festival Schools' Event (tbc)
11 th – 14 th May	KS2 SATS
22 nd May	Mufti Day (non-uniform day in exchange for an HT Fest tombola prize)
25 th – 29 th May	HALF TERM BREAK
2 nd June	Window for Applying for the Buckinghamshire Transfer Tests Closes
5 th June	PTA Disco
8 th – 12 th June	Arts and Culture Week
12 th June	Arts and Culture Week Performance pm
17 th June	Arthur Burgin Exhibition (Year 6)
19 th June	Junior Music Festival Rehearsal & Concert for Year 3 (please refer to letter)
22 nd – 26 th June	Y6 Residential Trip
22 nd – 2 nd July	Sports Fortnight
3 rd July	Sports Day
4 th July	HT Fest
10 th July	Spanish Assembly
16 th July	Last Day of Term – Leavers' Assembly (details tbc)

Extra-Curricular Activities running this term: Please contact club providers directly to enquire about availability. Thank you

Club	Year Group	Day/Time	Contact Details	Arrangements for drop-off/pick-up
Early Bird Club	All	Start time 8am each day of the week	No requirement to book, simply drop off anytime between 8am and 8:30am. Payment of £2.50 per session should be made through your ScoPay account	Arrive through the back door of the hall
After School Provision	All	From 3:15pm	Book directly: holytrinity@wraparoundcare4u.com	See WrapAroundCare4U for details: information sent out via email
Spanish Club	Year 4	Monday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:20am
Ukulele Club	Year 4, 5 and 6	Monday lunchtime	No need to book; Mrs Lucas is looking forward to starting up her band	N/A
Art Club	Year 3 & 4	Monday after school, finish time: 5pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Hyslop: Nickyw1@hotmail.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
Playball	EYFS & Year 1	Monday, finish time: 4pm	Book online: http://www.playballkids.com/f/southbucks	Collect from the back door of the school hall.
Junior Choir	Years 3 & 4	Tuesday before school, start time: 8am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Brown larainebrownbda@gmail.com	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Netball	Years 5 & 6	Tuesday before school, start time: 8am	Book directly by contacting Mr Lucas	Arrive at the side gate promptly at 8am ready to be let in by Mr Lucas
Spanish Club	Year 2	Tuesday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:20am
Spanish Club	Year 3	Tuesday after school, finish time 3:50pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
Football Club	Year 5 & 6 girls & boys	Tuesday after school, finish time 4:30pm	Please refer to Mr Whittle's email sent this week for dates	Collect from the back gate – do not walk through school at the end of the session!
Art Club	Year 5 & 6	Tuesday after school, finish time: 5pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Hyslop: Nickyw1@hotmail.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
Cooking Club	Year 1 - 6	Tuesday after school, finish time 4:30pm	Refer to flyer for booking details	Collect from the front entrance of school
Little Samurai	EYFS, Y1 & Y2	Tuesday, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly: 07828 534817 www.SamuraiKickboxing.com info@SamuraiKickboxing.com	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Hand Chime Music Club	Y3 & Y4	Tuesday, finish time 4:00pm	Led by Miss Smith Limited spaces – please email the office to confirm a space	Collect from the front entrance of school
Rock Steady	EYFS – Y6	Wednesday morning	Book directly: 0330 113 0330 Rocksteadymusicschool.com	N/A lessons take place during the school day
Spanish Club	Year 1	Wednesday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:20am
Mad Science Club	Year 1-6	Wednesday after school, finish time 4:30pm	Refer to flyer for booking details	Collect from the front entrance of school
Yoga & Mindfulness	Year 1 - 6	Wednesday, finish time 4:30pm	Book directly by contacting Sallie Windsor: 07846 992824 sallie.windsor@nuturekidsyoga.com	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Senior Choir	Years 5 & 6	Thursday before school, start time: 8am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Brown larainebrownbda@gmail.com	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Young Samurai	Years 3 - 6	Thursday after school, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly: 07828 534817 www.SamuraiKickboxing.com or info@SamuraiKickboxing.com	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Cooking Club	Year 1 - 6	Thursday after school, finish time 4:30pm	Refer to flyer for booking details	Collect from the front entrance of school
Netball Club	Year 2, 3 & 4 (numbers limited)	Thursday after school, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Thomas	Collect from the back gate
Maths Club	Year 5 & 6 (by invitation)	Friday before school at 8:15am	Organised by Mrs Neal with a rota of children invited to attend every few weeks	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:10am ready for an 8:15am start
Spanish Club	Year 5	Friday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive at the front entrance of school by 8:20am
Sewing Club	Year 1 – 6	Friday after school, finish time: 4:30pm	Book directly: 07782 253565 anita@dhaaga-sewing.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
IPro Football	Years 1 - 6	Friday after school, finish time: 4:30pm (See flyer sent out again today.)	Book directly: Office 07908 172175 Email: office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk Children attending this club are permitted to come to school wearing their school P.E. kit with a football shirt to change into at the end of the day if they wish.	Collect from the back gate – do not walk through school at the end of the session!
Maestro Music Lessons	EYFS – Y6	Various days during the week	To find out more, go to: Homepage - Berkshire Music Trust berksmusictrust.org.uk	Times of lessons determined by Maestros