

Reception Admission for Sept 2019.

If your child, or anyone you know, has a child due to start school in Sept 2019, you need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2019. To apply for a Bristol school you need to apply on-line at www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions
Please come along to one of our open days and encourage your friends and neighbours with young children to come and view Minerva.



Our open days are –

Thursday 15th November	1.45 pm and 6.00 pm
Friday 16th November	between 9.30 – 12:00
Saturday 17th November	between 9.30 – 12:00
Tuesday 27th November	1.45 pm and 6.00 pm
Thursday 29th November	between 9.30 – 12:00

Please call 0117 3772990 to book your viewing, or email your chosen time to info@mpa.cabot.ac.uk



Year 6 Special Moments from Morfa Bay.

The children had a lovely time on camp enjoying many activities. Looks like they had a lot of fun!

Breakfast club

We offer a free breakfast club from 8:20am every day. You only need to pay for food. A slice of toast is just 15p, cereal is 30p and beans on toast is 30p. A full menu is available at the office.

Why not join your friends for breakfast. Just come along between 8:20 and 8:30am (sorry no admittance after 8:30)

Friends of Minerva

We are a small friendly group of parents/carers who meet every Wednesday at 2:30pm. We have a cuppa and discuss fun ways to raise funds for the school. Pre-school children are welcome. Please come and join us, you will be made very welcome.

Attendance 2018 -2019.

The national expectation is for all children to have 96.1% attendance. We work closely with the Education Welfare Officer to try to enable all children to achieve this. Please send a message to the office on the first day of absence if your child is ill, and please be aware that we do not authorise any term time holidays and issue penalty notices for unauthorised absence.



MINERVA NEWSLETTER 1

20TH SEPTEMBER 2018

A Message from Mr Hallam.

Welcome to Term 1. The children have settled happily into their new classes and the new blue uniform looks very smart. A very warm welcome to all our new children, parents and carers.

New Build update.

We are still on target for moving into the New Build on Wednesday 7th November, the start of Term 2. Thank you to all our children and families for your patience and for putting up with the noise and dirt.

Reminder: Term 1 will end on Tues 23rd October and Term 2 will start on Wednesday 7th November. This is a longer break than normal so that we can relocate into the new building and be ready to greet the children on Wednesday 7th November.

The official opening will be on Thursday 15th November and **Prue Leith** will perform the opening ceremony.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Monday 24th Sept – Parents Evening, please book your appointment with the class teacher, an excellent opportunity to meet the teacher and see how your child has settled into their new class.

Thurs 27th Sept – Parents Evening

Fri 28th Sept – Last day to hand in NHS flu vaccine permission letters.

Thurs 4th Oct – Y6 Lifeskills trip.

Tues 23rd Oct – Flu vaccines, Rec – Y5

Dike-O-Ween – info to follow.

Wed 24th Oct – School closed until Wed 7th Nov

Singing Assemblies.

Every week we sing in assembly. This is great fun and provides us with a great opportunity to build teamwork and a sense of belonging at school.

If you would like to pop in and listen or join in please ask your child's teacher.

KS2, Years 3,4,5 & 6, is on Thursday mornings.

KS1, Years 1 & 2, is on Friday mornings.



ELLI SKILLS – Effective Lifelong Learning Inventory.

Every week Mr Hallam takes an assembly and presents Principal Awards to children nominated by the class teacher for Elli Skills. These are – Perseverance, Curiosity, Learning relationships, Planning ahead, Being adaptable, Connecting ideas and Creativity.

Children also earn house points for Elli skills, good learner attitude and growth mindset. We have 4 houses, Red, Yellow, Blue and Green and at the end of each term the house with the most points gets a treat.



THRIVE

We believe that to help children learn they need to feel happy and secure. We use something called Thrive to assess children for social and emotional well being and then we design activities in and outside the classroom to support their development in those areas. If you would like to know more about Thrive please ask your child's teacher.

Safeguarding

Please remember that if your child hurts themselves outside of school to let the teacher know what happened. This will help us to treat your child correctly if they have fall or bump in school and will save you being bothered by us calling you.

Thank you for your support.



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