



MINERVA NEWSLETTER 9

10th May 2019

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PARKING AT DROP OFF & PICK UP TIMES

To keep our children safe when arriving and leaving school please DO NOT PARK ON THE ZIG ZAGS outside school. ,

A Police Community Support Officer is helping us to protect our children's safety and you could receive a fine of £90 AND 3 points on your driving licence if you are caught!



Parents are invited to join us for a very special assembly on Monday 20th May in the hall
KS1 10.00am-10.30am KS2 10.45-11.15 am
The assembly will be a taster for a new and exciting afterschool club starting next term on the 12th June. The club will involve fun hands on experiments, problem solving and exploration!(Please note this club is being organised by an outside organisation - Fizz Pop Science (fizzpopscience.co.uk) The cost to parents/ carers for this club will be : £38 per child for 5 weeks...details to follow next week.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Thursday 16th May:

Kingswood & Easton class trip to Noah's Ark

Tuesday 21st May:

Year 4 trip to Archives

Wednesday 22nd May:

Bristol Zoo trip for Reception class

Thursday 23rd May:

SCHOOL CLOSED (Polling station)

Friday 24th May:

Last day of Term 5

YR 6 DRAMA WORKSHOP 'EVOLUTION'

Year 6 had the opportunity to learn about evolution through a drama workshop. They used masks to think about how species evolved from fish to human beings and they recreated the movements of each species as they made their way from land to sea.

The children enjoyed the workshop and said:

"The masks were great and I never knew we came from fish." (Tia)

"The masks were really fun to wear, it was so hard to move like a early human!" (Keira)



A CALL OUT TO FORMER PUPILS!

If you know anyone who used to attend the school and would like to tell us what they are up to now we'd be pleased to hear from them as we are wanting to make a display of what former pupils went onto be in life as part of our careers education.

Please email us on info@mpa.cabot.ac.uk

BAGEL BREAKFAST

Following the successful trial with Year's 5 & 6 the free bagels are now available for all of Key Stage 2 from 8.30-8.45am.

Please note: Children who attend Breakfast Club (Wrap Around Club) at 8.20am will have the choice to access the Bagel Breakfast or Aspens Breakfast (normal prices apply).

Attendance

As we approach the last term of the school year, we are busy planning the attendance loyalty trip. All children in school who have achieved at least 97% attendance for 10 months of this academic year will be able to attend these fun days of activities.

In previous years, KS1 have enjoyed activities in Hillfields Park and KS2 have explored and played at Vassals Park.

Many children are on target to be invited and others are very close to achieving this, so make 'every school day count' so they can spend a fun day out with their friends.



Do you struggle to help your child with their homework? Are you baffled by conjunctions or adjectives?



In the last week of term Miss Watts, our literacy lead, invites all parents and carers in for a session to talk about spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG). Find out how we teach SPAG in school, what some of the terms you see or hear mean and have a chance to ask any questions you may have.

More details to follow...so look out for further information!

ADDITIONAL MUSIC TUITION FOR 2019/2020

Starting in Term 1, September 2019, we are planning to work with 'Bristol Plays Music' to offer pupils in key stage 2 additional music tuition in guitar and violin!

There will be a letter coming home for all your budding musicians later this term with more details!



SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Please can **ALL PAYMENTS** for dinner money, school trips, camp etc be sealed in an envelope marked with **pupil's name, class, amount, date and reason or payment.**

Envelopes are available in the school reception for use. Thank you for your assistance.

SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE!

New leaflets and advice have been added to the school website minervapa.org.uk to help parents talk to their children about extremism and online safety.

Have a look on the safeguarding page in the key information section.

The new links are available under the **Prevent** section.



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Thank you to everyone who helped with the popcorn sale. The proceeds are being counted...we will let you know how much was raised shortly.



You are welcome to come and join us. We meet Wednesday afternoons at 2:30pm.