



Dear Parents,

Laptop Project

Following the success of the laptop story project Ms Ellingham has invited children who would like to design a E Safety poster to apply for a loan of a laptop to use at home. Letters of application should be received by **Monday**.

Future projects will include animation, movie editing and powerpoint presentations.

Head & Parent Meeting Friday 20th January 9.00 – 9.30

This is an opportunity to meet informally to talk about current issues and developments in the school. Items on the agenda will include clubs, parking, lunchtime arrangements, snow preparations and anything else you would like to add.

Parking

This week I have received two complaints from local residents about parents parking outside the school. Sadly we still have parents who are parking on the grass verges and across drives. This inconsiderate parking creates bad feeling amongst local residents and more seriously is a danger to **ALL** children who cannot find a safe place to cross the road. One resident also highlighted the danger of children scooting and cycling too fast around the entrance to the school, there have been "near misses" on more than one occasion. We will continue to discuss road safety in the classroom and at assemblies but we can only keep children safe with your co-operation..... **Inconsiderate Parking, Cycling and Scootering makes everyone less safe.** Please supervise your children closely on the way into and out of school.

Class Assembly

Year 2 Wrens class assembly is on Thursday 19th January; we look forward to seeing parents at 9.15 am.



Sick Bugs

A particularly nasty bug seems to be passing around the school. To reduce the spread of infection please keep children at home for 48 hours after the last time they were sick.

Fencing Club

Although we already run a wide range of clubs we are always on the look out for other clubs the children may enjoy. After the February half term we are hoping to run a Fencing Club for the Keystage 2 children. The class will run for 10 weeks, for a maximum of 14 children on a first come first served basis the cost of the club will be £6 per week. We are holding a taster session on Monday 23rd January at 3.30 – 4.30 for the children to try.



Severe Cold Weather

With warnings of a cold snap looming, please ensure that your child comes to school with warm clothing, hats, gloves and scarves. In the event of any school closures due to bad weather please check our website or on www.hertsdirect.org. Parents registered for parentmail will receive a message by text and/or email. If you have not registered and would like to be contacted in this way please call or email the office on admin@mandeville.herts.sch.uk.



Cycle Training Courses for Years 5 & 6

We have the opportunity to book a series of cycling training courses during the Spring term. If your child is interested please contact the school office by Friday 20th January.

Fundraising Efforts

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our charity donations. We were able to send a cheque for £342 to Children in Need and donations from the Christmas performances and staff Christmas card collection raised £328 for Great Ormand Street Hospital.

Amanda Godfrey
Headteacher

Diary for week

Monday 16 th January	1.15 – 3.15 Year 3 and Year 6 Karate Art Club 3.15 – 4.15 Storytellers 3.15 – 4.15
Tuesday 17 th January	Year 2 St Stephens Church 10.00 – 12.00 12.40 – 1.10 KS1 Singing Club Butterflies and Ladybirds - St Albans Museum Toybox Outreach Session 1.00 – 3.15 3.30 KS1 Maths Parents Workshop 3.15 - 4.15 Elitebeats, 3.15 – 4.15 Speedstacking 3.15 – 5.00 Coolzone
Wednesday 18 th January	CC4B 12.15 – 12.45 1.30 – 3.00 Rugby Year 3/6 1.15 – 3.15 Year 2 Karate 3.15 – 4.15 Tennis and Football Club, 3.15 – 4.15 Homework Drop In Club 3.15 – 4.15 Let's Get Cooking
Thursday 19 th January	8.30am Treasure Chest, 8.40 Shared Reading 9.15 Wrens Class Assembly 12.15 – 12.45 and 12.45 - 1.15 KS1 French Club 1.15 – 3.15 Years 4/5 Karate 3.15 - 4.15 Gardening Club, 3.15 – 4.15 KS2 French Club 3.15 -4.15 Craft Club, 3.15 - 4.15 KS2 Fashion Design
Friday 20 th January	9.00 – 9.30 Head and Parent Meeting CC4G 12.15 – 12.45 3.15 – 4.00 Choir 3.15 – 4.15 Streetdance