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Police clearance

New guidance states that schools now only need to get Police Clearance from adults who have prolonged and/or regular contact with children. With this in mind, the only time volunteers will be asked to get Police Clearance is if they are coming into school regularly to read etc., or are on the Friends of School Committee. Current Clearances will be allowed to expire and volunteers only prompted for renewal if they fall into either of the categories mentioned. If you have any questions about this please ask at the office.

Photographs

We have taken a further delivery of photographs this week from Tempest which we have sent home.

Class Dojo

A reminder to parents that, as explained in the Class Dojo letter received in September, we do not use the messenger function on Class Dojo. Therefore, if you have a query for class teachers please use the school email system. Many thanks.

Festive activities

On Sunday 2nd December at 4pm - 5:30pm, there will be a grand switch-on of the Christmas lights on Melbourne's first communal Christmas tree which will be positioned outside the Village Hall. There will be lots of activities, stalls and refreshments in the hall and the winner of the colouring competition will be announced and prizes given out! (Don't forget that all completed entries should be sent back to the school office for submission before 23rd November.)

All school children are invited to attend and can take part in a Christmas singalong whilst there (only about 15 mins). Mrs Charlton & Mrs Brosenitz will be there to lead the carol singing, but any children attending must be supervised by their parents or other nominated adult. School staff will not be supervising children at this event. This should be a really enjoyable, communal occasion for the village, so save the date!

Children in Need – Reminder

On 16th November we will once again be supporting the annual Children in Need fundraiser. Children (and staff) can wear spotty items or clothes on the day for a forfeit of £1. This is not a mandatory requirement but, if your child comes in their own clothes, please remember the £1 as we are finding that often it is forgotten. All donations of baked goods (with ingredients listed) would be very much appreciated on the day and will be sold for 20p a bun. Children can bring in their forfeit money and any money for a bun in a named purse or envelope. Please let us know if you wish us to send home change from the money you send in if insufficient buns are for sale – otherwise all money submitted will be given to CIN. The focus learning for the day around school will be 'helping others'.



Class 2 & 3 Educational Visit Wednesday 14th November

We are still awaiting a number of permission slips and payment. Unfortunately without parental consent we cannot allow your child to go. Therefore, please return the slip to the school office by Monday at the latest. Many thanks.

Agora – Reminder

Please can we remind you of the message which was printed in a previous newsletter, as many parents are still having problems which are easily resolved if you follow the following advice. *Ref - unique reference numbers - Upper case i's and lower case L's almost look the same (ll). You may want to try both alternatives.* Any further problems please let us know in the office.

Wrapping up

Thank you to parents for ensuring that children are coming to school with appropriate uniform and extra layers now that the weather has turned colder. Please be advised that children must wear their coat at breaks/lunchtimes.



Whole School

Costume letters for have been sent home this week in bags – please check and make sure your child has got one!

Christmas performances

Anyone interested in getting tickets for Christmas performances should please keep an eye on the weekly newsletter as details will be coming out soon!

Club News

Netball - Regretfully we have to tell you that next Tuesday (13th) will be the last Netball Club for this half term. This is not a decision which has been taken lightly as both Miss Kirk and Miss Cheshire are very keen to run this club. However, on the 20th November both Miss Kirk and Miss Cheshire are out on training courses and the following Tuesday will be a Parents' Evening. The following Tuesdays in December are busy with Christmas performances and rehearsals so this means that Netball club will not recommence until Tuesday 15th January.

Football - Thurs 22nd Nov will be the last after school football club (KS2) for the season. As the nights are drawing in and the hall is being used for other sports clubs, this club will stop and recommence sometime in the Spring term. There may be the opportunity to run this club as a lunchtime club but we will let you know if this is possible once we have spoken to Mr Dowson.

There will be some inevitable disruption to Clubs as we approach the festive period. Please make a note in your diaries if any of the following **after school Clubs** are relevant to you and your children. Please note that Cheerleading & Dodgeball after school Clubs will **not** continue in January with current children. All sports Clubs run by Miss Welch will be being changed and offered to other year groups – these will then commence in the New Year – watch this space for more details!

If you are struggling for childcare as a result of these cancellations, please contact Miss Lakin who will be happy to discuss booking a place for your child at After School Club.

All lunchtime Clubs will continue this half term - weather conditions permitting.

Netball (Tues)	Will take place on 13 th November thereafter no club until 15 th January 2019.
M&M club (Wed)	Will take place as usual in November. No Club on 5 th Dec. Children in Year 5 & 6 only will have first refusal to go To Stoneleigh (letter to follow). No Club on 12 th Dec due to Carols on the Playground No Club on 20 th Dec due to exhaustion! Club will recommence on Wed 9 th January 2019
After School Football (KS2 Thurs)	Will take place on 22 nd Nov thereafter no club until further notice.
D & T (Tues)	Will take place on the 13 th November – this will be the last D&T Club. This club will not Recommence in the Spring Term.
Cheerleading (Thurs)	No Club on 29 th Nov, 6 th , 13 th & 20 th Dec.
Dodgeball (Mon)	No Club on 3 rd , 10 th & 17 th Dec.

School Dinners

All our dishes are homemade. Fresh fruit and yoghurt are available every day. Vegetarians and all children with special dietary requirements will be catered for. If your child is having the sandwich options during the week please let us know at the office and we will be able to supply you with the information you require. School dinners are priced at £2.40.

School dinner menu - week commencing 12th November

Mon	Chicken Pasta Bake served with Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn, and Winter Salad Vegetarian Vegetable Pasta Bake Chocolate Cookie
Tues	Braised Steak served with Yorkshire pudding, Mashed Potato, Baby Carrots, and Cauliflower Vegetarian Country Vegetable Casserole Fruit Muffin
Weds	Roast Pork Loin served with Sage & Onion Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Broccoli, and Carrots Vegetarian Quorn Roast Strawberry Mousse
Thurs	Chicken Curry served with Naan Bread, Steamed Rice, and Mixed Vegetables Vegetarian Keema Curry Madeline Sponge & Custard
Fri	Fillet of Fish served with Steak Fries, Garden Peas, and Baked Beans Vegetarian Vegetable Nuggets Winter Berry Crumble



