

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

28th September 2018

Headteacher: Mr Peter Hawksworth

KEY DIARY DATES

October 2018

- 4th Governors' FF&R Sub-Committee, 6.30pm
- 5th School Photographs
- 17th Year 7 Coffee Afternoon, 1.30pm - 2.30pm
- 25th Friends Halloween Party, 3.15pm - 5.30pm
- 25th Governors' TLSO Sub-Committee, 6.30pm
- 26th *Non-Uniform Day (bring a bottle)*
- 26th School closes for Half Term

November 2018

- 5th School opens
- 12th *Anti Bullying Day*
- 16th *Children in Need (Non-Uniform/Wear Spots)*
- 16th Friends Family Event, 7.00pm
- 20th Massed Choirs, Lichfield Cathedral, 7.00pm
- 22nd Full Governors' Meeting, 6.30pm

December 2018

- 6th Friends Christmas Craft Club, 3.15pm - 4.30pm
- 7th *Non-Uniform Day (bring chocolate)*
- 7th Pantomime
- 14th *Christmas Jumper Day*
- 18th Carol Service, St Michael's Church, 10.30am
- 21st Christmas Dinner
- 21st End of Term

INSET DATES

1st February 2019
22nd March 2019
22nd July 2019

Post 16 Design Technology



Post 16 are making a totem pole this term and have begun their design work by modelling their ideas with modelling clay.

Top work folks.

Mr Stubbs
Head of DT

E-Safety

Roblox continues to be one of the most popular games currently in use and brings with it a whole set of safety issues via its links to social media platforms, etc. The following links provide some excellent guidelines for parents.



<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/roblox-guide-parents>
<https://www.connectsafely.org/roblox/>

Mrs Litherland
E-Safety Coordinator

No Smoking Zone

This is a respectful reminder that the school premises, car park and grounds are a no-smoking zone. Please adhere to this rule.



Word Workout

A very big well done to Yssie in 7B who managed to find 105 words and Charlotte in Post 16 who managed to find an amazing 210 words this week out of a possible 1997! What an amazing achievement. Good luck to everyone with this week's Word Workout and remember to let me know how well you get on!

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Mrs Ratcliffe
Reading, Writing and Communication Coordinator

School Photographs

Class and individual school photographs will be taken on the morning of Friday 5th October 2018.

Jeans for Genes Day



Jeans for Genes Day was a great success and we raised a total of £172.75 for Genetic Disorders UK who will use all of the monies raised by the event to help launch much needed support services and increase the number of grants they provide to disorder-specific charities.

Thank you very much for your support.

Mrs Gregory
Charities Council

Shoe Box Appeal

The shoe box appeal is now under way in school. We have changed charities this year to Link to Hope, but the concept is very similar!



We are making up boxes for families this year rather than just children and the following essential items are required to put into the boxes:

Essential Items:

Gloves/Scarf or Hat (new or knitted)
Sweets/Chocolates (BB June 2019 EU Origin)
Soap & Flannel (New)
Toothbrush/Toothpaste (New)
Colouring Books/Pens/Felt Tips
Small Toys - Yoyo/Skipping Rope/Toy Car/Teddy/Doll/
Soft Toy
Candles & Holders
Screwdriver/Tape Measure/DIY Tools
Small Games - Travel Size Draughts/Dominoes & Playing Cards etc

We are encouraging pupils to bring in 1 or 2 items to go into a class box.

If you would like to fill a whole shoe box at home, leaflets are available from school reception.

For further information, please visit the following web link:

<https://linktohope.co.uk/shoebbox-appeal-2018/filling-a-shoebbox>

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Ulanowski
Teaching Assistant

Red Box Project

We are very grateful to receive the support of the Red Box Project, a community run project that provides free sanitary protection products to young people in school. Should any of our girls need sanitary protection whilst in school, they just need to ask their Class Teaching Assistant.

Mrs Hesslegrave
Business and Facilities Manager

8OB Ashby Statutes Fair

8OB had a whale of a time at Ashby Statutes Fair last week. We were invited by the Ashby and Coalville Lions to attend. It was great fun and we had lots of turns on the Dodgems, Carousel and Waltzer - and some scary fast rides too! We were very brave.



Afterwards, we had chips and a picnic in the park. We had a lovely day.

Mrs Wood
Teaching Assistant

Makaton Sign of the Week



Sign of the Week

24th - 30th September 2018

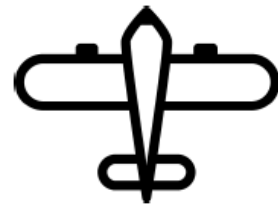
This week's sign is Aeroplane!

Join in with our Sign of the Week. Make and share your own video using the hashtag #wetalkmakaton to appear on our video wall on wetalkmakaton.org

Aeroplane



Aeroplane



We have provided you with these signs and/or symbols free of charge. With your help The Makaton Charity can help more people communicate, please donate online at justgiving.com/makaton.

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Learn a new word every week and be inspired to get signing via the following link:

<https://wetalkmakaton.org/>

Queen's Cavern Shop



Opening Hours:

Tuesday	9.00am - 12.00pm
Thursday	9.00am - 12.00pm
Friday	9.00am - 12.00pm

We would welcome any donations of good quality clothes, toys, bric a brac and small household items (excluding electrical goods)



Many thanks for your continued support



Marks and Spencer Easy Dressing Range

Marks and Spencer have launched a new range of accessible clothing for children aged between 3 and 16 years with additional needs to help make dressing easier, quicker and more comfortable.

For further information, please visit the M&S website via following link:

https://www.marksandspencer.com/l/kids/easy-dressing?intid=KW_DLP_HERO_TXT_1