

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR



Michael Drayton Junior School Newsletter

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Happy New Year to everyone

I hope you all had a restful Christmas and are ready for a great 2012. This year promises to be a really good year for our school with some really exciting projects planned.

We are trying to provide a really rich curriculum that offers many opportunities and I hope all children take full advantage of it.

Mr. J. Buxton
Headteacher

**Best overall class attendance—December 2011
6ZA - with a total attendance of 98.1% Well done!!**

"Goodbye and Hello"



Michael Drayton Junior and Hartshill Secondary Schools.

We wish her a long and happy retirement.

Mrs Hollins MBE has taken over from Mrs Shilton as our new lollipop lady. Mrs Hollins has been a lollipop lady for the past seventeen years and was recently awarded the MBE in the 2011 honours

Mrs Shilton, our local lollipop lady, has retired after 15 years service. During this time she was the lollipop lady for Nathaniel Newton Infant,



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Warwickshire ROAD SAFETY

Would you or anyone you know like to be a

School Crossing Patrol?

We currently have a permanent vacancy by

Galley Common Infants School

To start in January 2012. 7 hrs 5 minutes per week, term time only, starting at £6.83 per hour.

Join our team now and make a real difference!

Full training and uniform provided.

Call Bonny or Dawn on 01926 412661

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/roadsafety

Year 4 Residential

Preparations are now well underway for the Year 4 trip to the youth hostel, Ilam Hall. Ilam Hall is a Victorian gothic manor house set in 84 acres of country park on the banks of the River Manifold, in Dovedale, Derbyshire. The trip will involve an over-night stay as well as a trip to Sudbury Hall and the National Trust Museum of Childhood.

Please could any outstanding payments for the trip to Ilam Hall be paid by Friday 16 March 2012.

Thank You.

Free School

If your child is eligible for free schools meals, even if you have no intention of taking up the school meals, registering can have great benefits. Eligible families also receive help with funding for activities such as swimming, after-school clubs and also school visits. A proportion of the school budget is determined by the number of children on free school meals so registration would help our funding enormously. Any questions regarding registration can be dealt with confidentially by one of our office staff.

School opens at 8:45am

The playground is supervised from 8:45am. Children can then either come into the classroom and settle down quietly with some reading or remain outside until 8:55am when all children will be called in.

Thank you



Staff News

Vacancies

We occasionally need to use a relief Midday Supervisor. Please contact the school office if you are interested. All staff need to have a valid CRB check.



The school raised **£164.00** for the Poppy Day Appeal. Thank you to all who donated.



MAKE OUR SCHOOL A CUT ABOVE!

The school is collecting Nestle Box Tops for Books tokens, these can be found on any Nestle cereals. The tokens can then be exchanged for free books for the school. Can you please send in your tokens by 31st March 2012.

Thank you



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RECYCLING PROJECT

Many thanks to all who entered our Christmas Holiday Recycling Project. **They were all brilliant!!** The ingenuity that was shown in the design was amazing. Everyone was a winner but prizes were awarded to:

- Year 3 Aleisha-Leigh Sweet, Chloe Jearum-Boyce, Hannah Thompson and Anais Williamson
- Year 4 Rachel Jennings, Emma Pemberton, Tayla Phipps and Molly Reading
- Year 5 Grace Cove, Luke Davies, Mitchell Austin and James Dewell
- Year 6 Megan Roberts, Abigail Nicholls and Isabella Thompson

Before/After School Clubs

Day	Club	Yr	Leader	Start Date	End Date
Monday	Multisports	4	Ash Sidat (NWBC)	09/01/12	06/02/12
	Chess Club	5	Mr Rathbone	09/01/12	06/02/12
	Guitar Club	5/6	Mr Eardley	09/01/12	06/02/12
	Netball	6	Mrs Wilson/Mrs Keeling	09/01/12	06/02/12
Tuesday	Samba	5/6	Mrs Pearson	17/01/12	27/03/12
	Homework	4	Mrs Wilson/Mrs Charnell	10/01/12	07/02/12
Wednesday	Multisports	3	Daniel York (NWBC)	11/01/12	08/02/12
	Family food & Fitness	5/6	Luke Butler (NWBC)	18/01/12	29/02/12
	Dance	3	Dionne Turpie	11/01/12	28/03/12
	Football	6	Mr Eardley	11/01/12	28/02/12
Thursday	Before School Multisports	All	Hayley Murray	12/01/12	01/03/12
	Netball	5	Miss Garner	12/01/12	01/03/12
	Musical Theatre	Selected	Mrs Stretton/Mrs Pitts	12/01/12	01/03/12

New clubs are being planned—separate letters will be sent out



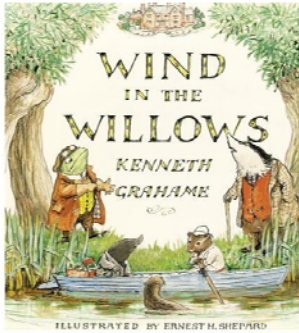
The Michael Drayton Parent School Association will be holding their AGM on Wednesday 25 January 2012 at 7:00pm in the Staff room. If anyone is interested in joining the PTA please come along. All newcomers will be very welcome.

In celebration of the Chinese New Year there will be a special menu on Monday 23 January

The menu will be:
Chinese Sticky Chicken
 or
Vegetable spring rolls
 with sweet and sour dipping sauce



MDJS Panto Wind in the Willows



Auditions will take place (oh yes they will!) on Thursday 12 January (3:30-4:30pm) for our 'Wind in the Willows Panto'. Mrs. Stretton and Miss Holmes will be working with dancers, singers and

actors to put on a memorable show.



If you have updated your mobile phone over Christmas can you please ensure you have informed the School Office of your new number.

Thank you.

Swimming lesson for the Spring Term



Thursday	3HO and 1/3 3RS 6ZA and 1/3 6RE
Friday	4ST and 1/3 4BH 5BU and 1/3 5MA

Class Assemblies

Friday 20th January	6FS
Friday 27th January	5SU - 10:30 only 4GR—2:30 only
Friday 3rd February	3HO
Friday 10th February	3WA
Friday 24th February	5MA—2:30 only
Friday 2nd March	4GA
Friday 9th March	6ZA
Friday 16 March	6GP—10:30 only 4ST—2:30 only
Friday 23 March	4BH
Friday 30 March	3RS

Class assemblies are scheduled as above for the next term. Parents are invited to attend either in the morning at 10.30 or in the afternoon at 2.30. Please note that 5SU and 6GP will only be in the morning and 4GR, 5MA and 4ST will only be in the afternoon.

Manor Adventure

The second instalment of £55.00 for the Manor Adventure Residential trip for Year 6 pupils is due by Friday 27 January.

Thank you.



Yr 5 children will shortly have the opportunity to visit the National Space Centre in Leicester.

The Space Centre is a hi-tech interactive environment, allowing your child to explore the astronomical wonders of space. Full details to follow.

Please could all telephone messages from parents to pupils be done before lunchtime to enable us to put them in the class message folders?

Thank You!

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Live to Learn



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