



January 2017

Dear Parents

Inter Schools Quiz

The Great Missenden General Knowledge Quiz team were very successful last week. They managed to beat 4 other schools and reach the semi-finals.

They were quizzed on 16th century monarchs, condiments and moons that circulate our planets. They should be very proud of themselves. Well done to both teams involved.



Late Arrivals

It is so important that your child gets to school on time. Learning starts straight away in the classes and even being a few minutes late makes a big difference. Children learn best when they arrive at school in a calm state and feel part of everything that is happening, right from the morning register.

Please ensure children arrive for 8.50am and children should not play football, be on scooters, bikes, fitness equipment or the trim trail before or after school during drop off and pick up.

Lunch Bands

A lot of children have been swapping their lunch bands in the playground and changing their mind about what they want for lunch once they reach the serving hatch in the dining room. This has led to a few children not getting the lunch they ordered, as well as considerable confusion for the kitchen staff who have to serve 350 children in a limited amount of time. Please ensure that your child knows what they have ordered for lunch on the day. If they have any doubts, they should come to the office to check their order before they go to the dining room.

Courtesy Cup

We have reinstated the Courtesy Cup, which will be awarded every Friday during the brilliant book assembly. Whilst polite and courteous behaviour is an expectation of all children, it is great to celebrate individuals who stand out for exemplary behaviour.



Sammy



Louis



Club Cancellations

After a great deal of time allocating clubs this term the club lists are drawn up and are in action. However, the office has had numerous requests advising that children are now dropping out of their clubs. This involves allocating new children, amending lists and circulating the updates to the club leader, receptionist, office staff, bus registers and jelly beans club so that we can safely account for the children at the end of the school day.

Please ensure your children are committed to the clubs they choose for the whole term when they request them.

Maths Challenge Workshop for parents Monday 30th - 2:00pm in the School Hall and 6:00pm in 6B's Classroom

Come along and find out more about how maths is being taught. We will start by warming you up with a selection of last year's SATs questions, to give you an idea of the level of proficiency required by our children at the end of KS2. We will then go on to talk about the different calculation methods we are teaching as the children move through the school.

Mr Kirk will be presenting the workshops - Please come along if you can.

There's no need to book, just turn up to the sessions, which we anticipate will last approximately 1 hour.



Ice sun catchers

Thank you to all the children in morning club, who have brightened up the KS2 dining area with these lovely, sparkly ice catchers which have dangled from the trees today.



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Office Matters  Office Matters ...

- If parents need to email home learning into school on behalf of their child, this should be sent to the appropriate year group email address, so for Year 5, year5homelearning@greatmissendenschool.co.uk etc
- When emailing the office about your child, it would help our efficiency if you could please add your child's name and class to the space bar on your message.
- The latest France and Woodrow payments for residential trips are due by the end of January. Please log onto parentpay to complete if you have not already done so.

Thank you