



Mount Pleasant Extra!

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Forest School Friday

I am delighted to let you know that following very successful Forest School training over the past two weeks, we will be launching our Forest School Friday. Each week children who are in school at 14:00 on Friday will be joining a Forest School group; these will be led by Mrs Deane, Mr Deane, Mrs Dunn and Mrs Kelley. Children will start in their Team Group—Rockhopper, Gentoo, Magellenic and King, this will allow a family team atmosphere to build around the different activities. Children will be outdoors for the hour and I would make a request that you ensure they have suitable clothing and footwear in school each Friday for this to take place.

A forest school is when learning takes place outdoors in the setting of a forest or woodland. We have limited options for this, however, we have prepared an area just outside the school grounds for these activities. The natural woodland is used not only as the setting but as a nature's resource cupboard for activities which cover all areas of the curriculum.

Mrs Deane will also run a mini Forest School with her class on one morning each week, they may not always go to the woodland but will undertake age appropriate activities in the school grounds.

Dress the tree

How are you getting on with making your unique Christmas decoration? Our tree will be up and ready for decorations next Friday. Hot drinks and mince pies for adults and squash for children will be served between 15:05-16:00 on 30th November.

Christmas Scripts

Some children have scripts with words to learn for our production. It would be very helpful if you would spend some time with your child hearing them read and perform their words.

Christmas Production—new time

Due to the Church being used in the week of the production and as requested by a number of parents we have moved the time of the production to 14:00 on Thursday 6th December. Children will be taken home by parents after the production.



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Swimming

The last swimming session for this term is on Tuesday 27th November. Children have made excellent progress and developed their swimming confidence this term.

First Aid Training

We will be holding some first aid training sessions for school staff in the next week. Children will be taught in their usual classes during this time with staff rotating to ensure consistency for the pupils. Over this time, staff will have their L2 Paediatric First Aid Certificates renewed.

Last Day of Term

As is tradition, we will close at 13:15 on the last day of term. Children will have their lunch as usual on the last day.

Events....

27th November—Final swimming lesson of the term

30th November—Golden Assembly (by invitation)

30th November—Dress the Tree—bring in a home made decoration for the school tree—hot drinks and mince pies for adults. 15:05-16:00—**parents welcome**

6th December—Christmas Production at 14:00—parents welcome

7th December—End of term 13:15

7th January—School reopens

11th January—Launch Pad