

Educational Visits

Educational visits provide children with first hand experiences that cannot be replicated by a lesson in school. Learning out of school provides children with a wide range of skills that they can use in their learning and more holistically in life. Following on from the KS2 visit to the three churches in Stanley last week, where they met and were able to talk to a key person from each church, this week, I was able to accompany two visits.

On Wednesday, the children in KS1 set off to enjoy a visit to the MET Office, unfortunately we were unable to get there as the road between school and the MET Office was closed. We have spoken to every one who took time to plan and resource the visit and we are going to have another try next Wednesday, 27th March.

KS2 had a fantastic day at Goose Green on Thursday when they took part in a number of activities to give them an opportunity for first hand learning about the conflict. WO1 (SMI) Daz Wilbond and his team of volunteers from the RIC were fantastic in engaging the children in activities and discussion about the conflict and bringing learning to life in the actual locations that the events occurred.



Mrs Shazell will be visiting BFBS in the coming weeks to record a request about their missing toys, which have been taken by the 'Evil Pea'!

These visits enhance the curriculum and provide children with unique learning opportunities. I am grateful to staff members for finding extra time to plan and book these visits and also to the many members of our community who give up time to support the children's learning.

Lunch Invitation

We would like to invite you to join the children for lunch. Our parent to lunch sessions have always been popular so, if you would like to sign up for lunch on 8th April (Tandoor Chicken) at a cost of £1.67 per adult please call into the school office.

This is what the children enjoyed for lunch this week:



Key Stage Two

From Tuesday 26th to Monday 1st April, children in KS2 will be working as a whole year group with Mr Deane. Over this time their learning will focus on Design and Technology and Science. We have also planned an additional Forest Schools session (see below) and are hoping for a visit from the 2 Scots Pipes and Drums!

No Swimming—Forest Schools

There will be no swimming lessons on Tuesday afternoon, 26th March. Children will be attending an additional Forest Schools session. We would ask that you please send children to school with their warm/waterproof clothing and footwear. Children will also have their usual Forest Schools session, on Friday 29th March.



Mount Pleasant Extra!

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School Disco—Last Chance

The Post Office (PC Troop) are organising a fund raising weekend for the school and the school council are considering what they would like the money spent on.

A School Disco, as part of that fund raising effort and organised by PC Troop, will take place on Friday 29th March from 16:00 to 17:30 at the Dolphin Bar.

A selection of sandwiches and pizza will be served along with soft drinks and all children who attend Mount Pleasant School are welcome but will need to be supervised by an adult at all times.

The cost per child to include the disco, sandwiches, pizza, refreshment and prizes will be £5.00.

REPLY SLIP SCHOOL DISCO

I would like my child(ren) to take part in the school disco. I enclose £5 per child.

Name of Child(ren): _____

Events....Next week in bold

26th or 29th March—Whole School 2 Scots Pipes and Drums school concert (TBC)

27th March—KS1 visit to the MET Office (2nd Attempt)

29th March—Whole School Disco organised by the Forces Post Office £5 per child by reply to the school office

4th April—Whole School English morning, please join your child for their regular English lesson across the school from 09:00-10:00

8th April—KS2 Day in Stanley to visit the Museum and Leisure Centre, letter to follow

10th April—Parent Open Evening to follow up pupil reports and see learning in books and displays in school 15:15—16:30

10th April—PTA Coffee and Cake Café during parents open evening

16th April—Year 6 National Curriculum Test Meeting for Parents—14:30

17th April—PTA Whole School Easter Egg Decorating Competition

18th April—12:30 Whole School Easter Mini -Egg Hunt with Parents, £1.00 entry more details to follow

18th April—Last Day of Term, school closes at 13:00

7th May—Return to school after the Easter break

13th May to 16th May—Key Stage Two National Curriculum Tests