



Welcome to our April Newsletter!

WORLD BOOK DAY— 7TH MARCH 2019

Thank you all for making such an effort on World Book Day with your costumes. You all looked great and we hope you all enjoyed your day celebrating World Book Day!

RED NOSE DAY—15TH MARCH 2019



Thank you all for participating in non-uniform day for comic relief and purchasing red noses. We raised **£294.14!**

TRIPS

We sent out a letter recently advising parent/carers that we will no-longer now be asking for trips to be paid by the £10.00 termly payment.

Instead we will be asking parents/carers for their donations on a trip by trip basis. We hope this is a more efficient and informative way of parents/carers making donations and children enjoying trips with their peers. Therefore, if your child will be attending a trip you will receive a letter advising where/when your child will be going and asking for a payment towards transport or entry to this.

We hope this works better for parents/carers in the future.



PARENTPAY COMPETITION!

All Parents/Carers, if you add money to your account before 11th April or Sign Up to ParentPay if you are not already registered, you will added to a draw and one lucky parent/carer will win a £20.00 Tesco Voucher. The draw will take place on Friday 12th April. Please pop to the office if you do not have a code to register. Good Luck!



ParentPay

TESCO
Every little helps



LETTERS BY EMAIL

We recently sent out a letter advising that we are now trying to send correspondence out to parents or carers mainly by email to cut down on paper. We would be grateful if you could return the forms with your up to date email address to ensure that you are receiving all relevant information. If for any reason you still need to receive letters in a paper form please advise the office to ensure that this happens. Thank you for your co-operation!

SCHOOL NURSE DROP-IN CLINIC

For all Parents/Carers that would like to attend the drop-in clinic for any reason this is taking place on 8th May 2019 from 9am—11am.



Everyone is welcome.

EASTER MENU

THURSDAY 11TH APRIL



On Thursday 11th April 2019 there will be a change to the usual menu to celebrate Easter. The children can enjoy either Roast Turkey and stuffing, the Halal option is Chicken with stuffing or Cheese flan, both will be served with creamy mash, roast potatoes, broccoli florets and fresh carrot batons, The dessert will be chocolate krispie nests or Easter biscuits. If your child does not want any of the above please provide a packed lunch on 11th April 2019.

YEAR 4 SWIMMING REMINDER

Reminder for all Year 4 Parents.

The children will be starting swimming lessons on Tuesday 30th April 2019.

Please make sure that your child has returned their permission forms and comes to school with their swimming kit every Tuesday. Thank you.



EASTER COMPETITION FOR THE CHILDREN

Colouring Sheets are available from the Pastoral room or you can create your own Easter craft/model. It is 50p per entry to the School Office. Closing date is on Wednesday 10th April. Good Luck everyone.



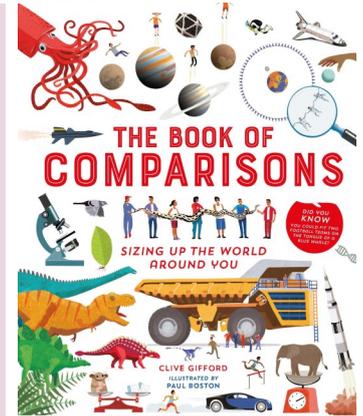
MR CORBETT'S BOOK PICK



This slightly oversized volume compares and contrasts everything under the sun and beyond. Gifford compares the Earth's longest geological and human-made structures, animals' food consumption-to-poop ratios, the sizes of small animals to those of common objects, and the energy produced from different seismic events.

Infographic charts, graphs, and timelines show how the subjects measure up, and Boston compares the approximate real size of an African giant snail, a goliath bird-eating spider, a large butterfly, and stick insect on the page.

Gifford conveys information in a compact, digestible format while inviting readers to observe, scrutinize, and reflect upon their own surroundings.



ADVANCE NOTE OF DATES

April

Wednesday 3rd Year 3 Trip Gurdwara
 Tuesday 30th Year 4 Swimming Lessons begin

May

Wednesday 8th School Nurse Drop in 9—11am
 Monday 13th SATS Week start for Year 6
 Friday 24th Year 4 Trip to Dovedale

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

After School Clubs will be running until the end of term. New Clubs will be running next term and a new club letter will be sent out before the end of this term. Please look out for the new letter and return as soon as possible with payment to avoid disappointment, as some clubs do only have limited spaces available.

EXCITING OPPORTUNITY!

VACANCY

An exciting opportunity is available for a member of the local community to join the Local Advisory Board at Merrydale Junior School.

The Advisory Board is made up of parents, staff and individuals from the local community who can add value and support the strategic development of the school.

We are seeking to attract members of the local community, are you enthusiastic about the success of the school? For the wellbeing of its staff and pupils? would you like to work as part of a team actively promoting and supporting the school's vision and values?

If the answer is Yes, please come and ask at the front desk for more information. We will take a note of your contact details and ask a member of the Advisory Board to contact you. Discovery Schools Academy Trust is a partnership of 13 primary schools across Leicestershire, Leicester City and Rutland, dedicated to improving learning and teaching to provide the highest possible educational experience for children in our schools.

Alternatively, please contact the Clerk to the Advisory board on 0116 2793462 or email clerk@discoveryschoolstrust.org.uk



Academic Year 2018-19

Spring Term

School Closes - Friday 12th April 2019

Summer Term

School Opens - Monday 29th April 2019

May Day Bank Holiday - Monday 6th May 2019

Mid-Term Break - 27th May to 31st May 2019

School Closes - Friday 12th July 2019

Academic Year 2019-20

Autumn Term

School Opens - 29th August 2019

**Free
School
Meals**

Are you entitled?



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