



January Newsletter Part 2



CENTURY
INTELLIGENT LEARNING™

Century Morning Club

Children are welcome to come into school at

8:15am everyday to IT Suite and work on their Century accounts (practising their maths and English work). This club is free of charge and all year 4, 5 and 6 children are welcome. We hope to see as many children there as possible!



Snow & School Closures

As we are in the season of cold weather and possible snow, if the decision is made to close the school it will be made if possible before 7.30am. Parents and carers will be informed via text message. The school website will also be updated. The closure information is shared with the Local Authority and radio stations.



National Space Centre Trip—Year 5

are attending a trip at the National Space Centre on Friday 7th February 2020. The cost of the trip is £12.50 and payment and permission needs to be sent back to the office on or before 31st January. School uniform does need to be worn and a packed lunch needs to be provided. If your child is FSM they will receive a packed lunch prepared from school.

Applying for Free School Meals

You may qualify for FSM and Pupil Premium if you are in receipt of any benefits e.g. Universal Credit. You can call 0116 4541009 (Option 3) to get an instant decision. It may be worth applying even if you don't think you will qualify.

Class Assemblies—January/February

24th January 2020, 3CLM—Alice Hawkins

28th January 2020, 5HH—Gary Lineker

31st January 2020, 3LS—Richard Attenborough

4th February 2020, 5LD—Thomas Cooke

The assemblies are scheduled to start at 9.15am.

We ask that you arrive for 9.10am latest. The fire doors in the playground will be open for you to enter the hall after dropping off your child.



ParentPay—Important

All Parents/Carers should now

be registered with ParentPay to pay for their child's school dinners, trips and clubs.

Unfortunately not all Parents have done this.

Letters have been sent out again this week and it is important that this is done. All payments should be made on ParentPay, cash can only be used in exceptional circumstances with agreement with the office staff.



Dinners & ParentPay

Please remember that

you must pay for your child's dinner before it is taken (not after). Dinner is £2.25 per day (11.25 per week). If you are not registered for ParentPay, please do this as soon as possible. You can make payments for dinners, clubs, trips and also see your outstanding amount that is owed. Soon the office will no longer be able to accept cash and ParentPay will be the only payment option. Your log-in details have been sent to your recently but can be collected from the office if you have misplaced them.



Readeoke—3rd February 2020

On 3rd February 2020 we would like parents/carers to come into school between 8:45—10:30 to read with their child. A greenscreen will be set up to have photos taken in front of and the Ambassadors are also making reading selfie boards for the photos. Refreshments will also be available to parents/carers in the hall. We look forward to seeing you all. Please also upload your photos of you reading with your children at home to the Merrydale Twitter page.

Fundraising

Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children) - £270.00

Christmas Festivities- £542.00

Australian Bushfire
Emergency—£381.16



AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

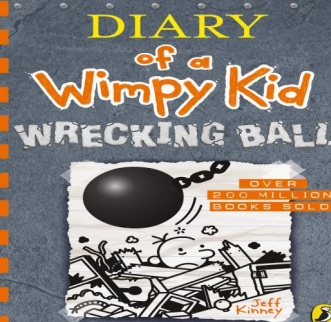
All clubs will start on Monday 13th January until 11th February 2020.

Clubs will not be taking place on 12th and 13th February due to Parents Evening.

You MUST re-sign the club letter. If your child had a place last term this does not mean they have a place this term.

Places are allocated on a first come first serve basis.

Mr. Corbett's
Book Pick
January
Diary of a
Wimpy Kid—
Wrecking Ball



Start Date: 13th January 2020 – 11th February 2020 (5 weeks)

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday	
Homework Club £1.50 per session or £7.50 per term		Homework Club £1.50 per session or £7.50 per term		Homework Club £1.50 per session or £6.00 per term		Hockey Club £6.00 per term	
Dance Club £7.50 per term		Multi Sports £7.50 per term		Table Tennis Club £6.00 per term			
				Gymnastic Club £6.00 per term			

DSAT HOLIDAY CLUB—FEBRUARY HALF TERM

DSAT are running a holiday club at Merrydale Junior school during the February half term. (17th—21st Feb) The club runs from 10am till 1pm, Monday to Friday and is a brilliant price at just £3.00 a day including lunch.

Children do not need to attend Merrydale Junior School to go to the club, as long as they are of primary school age (5—11), so please let friend sand family know!

If you are interested please visit www.discoveryholidaycamps.co.uk and register your child(ren) first and then click on the book and pay button. Scroll to the bottom of the page and choose the option for Braunstone, Merrydale and Mowacre only. Choose each day individually and add to your basket. If you have more than one child attending, change the quantity to the number of children you are booking for and add all of their names into the name section on the next page.

If you need any help with this, please contact the school office on 0116 276 7708 who will be happy to help.

We look forward to seeing you there.



Academic Year 2019-20

First Day of Spring Term—Tuesday 7th January 2020
School Closes—Friday 14th February 2020
School Opens— 24th February 2020
School Closes for Easter—Friday 3rd April 2020
School Opens—Monday 20th April 2020
Early May Bank Holidays—9th & 25th May
School closes for May Half Term—26th May 2020
School Opens—1st June 2020
School Closes for Summer —10th July 2020

ADVANCE NOTE OF DATES

January 2020

21st January 2020—Year 4 Swimming starts today (every Tuesday)
31st January 2020—Jack & The Beanstalk Pantomime at Merrydale.
31st January 2020—NSPCC Day
3rd February 2020—Readeoke 10am—1pm—ALL PARENTS WELCOME!
7th February 2020—National Space Centre Trip—Year 5

www.merrydalejuniorschool.com

You can find lots of useful information on our website

including term dates, letters, school curriculum, school meals and much more.

