

Europa School UK Primary Newsletter

29 October - 2 November 2018

Current News

Coats - Now the winter weather is upon us, please make sure children have an appropriate coat and footwear for outdoors. Please don't forget to label all items.

PTA - Many thanks once again to those who helped out on DIY day part 2 and to those who attended the coffee morning .

Storytelling workshop

On Wednesday 10th October storyteller Hannah Murray visited Year 5, to spend half a day in each class, running a storytelling workshop for the children. They were immersed into a story of wonder, based around an evil emperor and fantastic Chinese dragons. The classes had time to explore the themes and ideas, altering some of the major aspects, to recreate the tale with their own creative elements. Especially exciting were the trunks of trinkets, to inspire their imagination for magic and mystery. The workshop was designed to help Year 5 develop their 'Just So' story writing, to end a half term of Kipling work.

Museum visit - Last week, Year 3 classes enjoyed a visit from the Oxfordshire Museum Service. They heard about major events from the 1950's ,1960's and 1970's. The children had the opportunity to handle and discover artefacts from these decades and finished with an exciting quiz about what they had learned.

Mental health assembly - KS2 pupils actively participated in an assembly thinking about "what do we mean by mental health" and acknowledging feelings. Afterwards they were treated to a performance by our school choir



Yr 5 & 6 Choir perform at Christchurch Cathedral, Oxford

On Tuesday, the Primary Year 5 and 6 choir led by Aggie Scaber, one of our Secondary music teachers visited Christ Church Cathedral to take part in the annual St Frideswide Civic Service. This year's theme was *A Celebration of European Friendship*. On the steps to the Great Hall, at the start of the service, Europa's children sang a number of songs about peace and friendship, and especially about European friendship. The singing, sound and setting were beautiful. The children were highly praised for their singing by a number of the dignitaries attending (inc the Bishop of Oxford, the Mayor of Oxford, the Lord Lieutenant of Oxfordshire, the Chancellor of Oxford University, and numerous others). They were all delighted.

Unique opportunity for Parents only!

We are offering an opportunity for a parent only weekend on the 10th-12th May 2019 in Snowdonia, at Plas Gwynant located at the base of the Watkins Path. (limited numbers).

Cost £130.00pp. This includes: Full board accommodation, equipment if needed and instructors.


Activities to include Walking up Snowdon, Abseiling and canoeing. Any profit to go towards Europa School Duke of Edinburgh Scheme commencing Jan 2019.

Please register your interest g.neville@europaschool.uk

Dates for your diary

Mon 29 Oct - Back to School

Tues 30 Oct - 6FE visit Bletchley Park

Wed 31 - PTA Halloween Cake sale 

Thurs 1 Nov - Primary Library Open 15.15-16.00

Fri 2 Nov - 6DE visit Bletchley Park

Fri 2 Nov - Lost Property open 15.15-15.55

Future dates

Fri 9 Nov - St. Martin's Day Celebration 16.00

23/24 Nov - Secondary school Musical

Sat 1 Dec - PTA Christmas Fair

Wed 5 Dec - Flu vaccine for Rec- Year 5 (info to follow)

Fri 22 Dec - Staff Training day - No school for children

Mon 24 Dec - Fri 4 Jan - Christmas Holidays

Contacts & links

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