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## Newsletter 8 – 28/01/19

### Diary Dates 2019

#### February

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> – Yr 5 Drama Workshop at The Hurst  
Tues 5<sup>th</sup> – KS2 Cross Country Competition  
Tues 5<sup>th</sup> – PTA Movie Night  
Weds 6<sup>th</sup> – KS1 to The Anvil for Big Sing  
Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> – Yr 6 Bikeability  
Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – Yr 5/6 Star Gazing Evening  
Mon 18<sup>th</sup> – Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – HALF TERM  
Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – INSET

#### March

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> – PTA Discos  
Mon 4<sup>th</sup> – FoundationStage to Rushall Farm  
Tues 5<sup>th</sup> – Yr 5/6 Rugby V Silchester  
Tues 5<sup>th</sup> – PTA Movie Night  
Tues 12<sup>th</sup> – Yr 5 Science Challenge at The Hurst  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> – FS & Yr 1/2 Drama Workshop 'Superheroes'  
Weds 20<sup>th</sup> – Choir to Wembley for Voice in a Million  
Weds 20<sup>th</sup> – Parent Consultations  
Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Parent Consultations  
Tues 26<sup>th</sup> – BCP host Vocal Festival  
Weds 27<sup>th</sup> – Yr 5/6 Rugby V Bramley  
Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> – Cluster Netball & Football Rally  
April  
Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> – PTA Movie Night  
Mon 8<sup>th</sup> – Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> – Easter Holiday  
Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> – Summer Term starts

### Remaining INSET Days 2018-2019

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019

## Snow!

As you will be aware, the weather forecast for the remainder of this week suggests there is a chance that snow is on its way to Tadley. A warning has been issued for possible snowfall overnight tomorrow (Tuesday) and continuing into part of Wednesday. Snowfall can cause school closures which often occur, not just because of the conditions on site, but also because of the difficulties that staff have in getting to work. This can mean that there is an inadequate level of supervision for the children in school.

If it snows, we will do our very best to avoid having to close.

Communication via text message (Teachers2Parents) will inform you as soon as possible about the situation at school. These texts may well arrive very early in the morning, as we monitor and assess the situation well before the start of the school day. **Please check your phone for official news from school.**

We are fortunate (and unusual!) to have a number of staff who live locally and within reasonable walking distance. If conditions underfoot are safe, they will endeavour to reach school.

The majority of our teachers do not live locally and therefore may not be able to travel on the roads. For this reason, the school may remain open, but limited planned, formal lessons will take place. Instead, we will make the most of the snow!

We will intend to spend some time outdoors, so the children will need to wear suitable layers, warm coats, suitable footwear and hats, scarves and gloves. They should also bring a change of footwear for indoors.

We will provide hot chocolate to keep the children warm. Let us know if you are not happy for your child to be given some.

It is possible that we will ask you to provide a packed lunch for your child, if the school kitchen is not able to operate.

The school site itself will have areas which have been gritted. It is essential that, as you walk through the site, you ensure that you and your child stay on the areas which have been prepared. Untreated areas will not be safe.

Access to the school site via pavements and roads in Tadley may also be treacherous. Please use your judgement as to whether it is safe to travel by car or on foot to school. Newchurch Road is not usually on the council's gritting route so please bear in mind that it may not be passable.

Hopefully we will have no, or very little, disruption from snow. However it is important that we let you know our plans, just in case.