

## SNOW NEWS

In the event of snow, please check the school or Derbyshire County Council websites. Radio Derby also provides information about which schools are closed on their radio show and website: [www.bbc.co.uk/news/england/derbyshire/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/england/derbyshire/)

## SCHOOL ABSENCE ADVICE

In September 2013 the Education Regulations 2013 came into force. These regulations make it clear that Headteachers should not grant approval for any leave of absence during term-time, including holidays, unless there are exceptional circumstances. These regulations also state that holidays cannot be authorised retrospectively.

Any requests should be on an official school absence request form and handed into the school office for consideration prior to any holiday/leave arrangements being made.

You may be issued with a Penalty Notice should leave be taken which is not authorised. If unpaid, this could lead to prosecution under section 444(1) of The Education Act 1996.

# Brailsford News

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### Eyes Down!

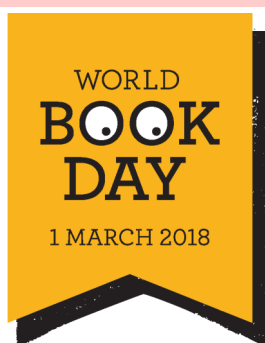
We will be holding our usual Easter Bingos in March.

The children's bingo will be on Friday, 16th March from 5-6:00pm (doors open 4:45pm). This event is open to all children and is £3 per ticket. Tickets will be on sale in the office (cash only) or can be purchased via ParentPay from 19th February.

FOBS are also holding their annual Family Easter Bingo on 23rd March from 6-8:00pm. Tickets will be on sale from FOBS members, the office or on the door from 19th February at £2.50 per person or £10 for a family.



### World Book Day



World Book Day takes place on Thursday, 1st March this year. Please can children come dressed in their pyjamas. We will also be holding a book fair in the library from 22nd February—1st March and Miss Summers, one of our students, and Class 2 will be holding a cake sale in the library to raise money for charities chosen by children in Class 2—the Rainbows Hospice and Little Princess Trust. Please visit the official website [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com) for lots of ideas on how to celebrate reading with your child.

### Minibus for Hire



The minibus will be out and about a lot between returning to school after half term and the end of the school year. It is also available for hire by local schools and community groups providing the necessary checks have been carried out at reasonable rates. Please ask at the office for further details. Unfortunately we are unable to hire it out to individuals for personal use as this is not covered on our insurance.

# Diary Dates

22nd Feb to 1st Mar  
27th Feb, 1st Mar  
1st March  
2nd March  
5th March

7th March  
12th March  
15th March  
16th March

20th March  
21st March

23rd March

12th April  
24th April  
26th April

Book Fair  
Parents' Evenings  
World Book Day  
FOBS Film Evening 5-7:00pm  
Class 3 trip to National Justice Museum  
Year 6 Beauty and the Beast at QEGS  
Y5/6 Hi 5 Netball Tournament  
Year 6 Big Bang Trip  
PE Conference  
Children's Easter Bingo  
Coffee Shop  
Y5/6 Dance Festival  
Easter Service at the Church 2:00pm (TBC)  
Break up for Easter holiday  
FOBS Chocolate Bingo (evening)  
Y3/4 Hi5 Netball Tournament  
Y1/2 Football Tournament  
Y3/4 Football Tournament  
Afternoon Tea 2-3:00pm

## FOBS Film Night

FOBS are holding a Film Night in the ICT room on Friday 2nd, March. Tickets will be limited and available from the office from 19th February. More details to follow.



## Sports Clubs

Our after school Sports Clubs from 19th February are as follows:

Monday Gymnastics  
Tuesday Infant Football (YR,1,2)  
Wednesday Tag Rugby  
Thursday  
Friday Junior Football

Sports Clubs are £17.50 for the half term and Drama Club is FOC.

Email the office to sign up, please.

## SPORTS ROUND UP

At the beginning of January 4 of our children attended the Change for Life conference and will form a team to help Mrs Harrison introduce opportunities for more physical activity at lunchtimes. Year 5/6 entered the Sportshall Athletics competition at QEGS and performed well against stiff opposition.

Class 2 entered as two teams in the Year 1/2 Gymnastics Festival this year and enjoyed the afternoon using what they had learned to perform a routine at the end of the afternoon.



### Mobile Phones

Please note if children bring their mobile phones into school they should be left in the office before registration and collected at the end of the day. Thank you



In the Summer term we are using our sports premium funding to introduce the children to new skills and sports that they may wish to continue in their own time. Current plans are for learning to ride a bike, swimming, tennis, climbing, judo and mountain biking. More details to come.

## Shrove Tuesday

The Methodist Church would like to invite children to the church for pancakes and to take part in activities on Tuesday, 13th February from 9:30-11:30am. Everybody welcome!

