

# Upcoming Events (New/changed)

**Tue18.12.18** Christmas disco 3-4.30pm

Wed 19.12.18 Church service 12.30. School finishes at 1.30pm Wed 2.1.19 INSET

Thu Fri 3/4.1.19 RE creative davs

**Fri 11.1.19** Class 3 to Hazard Alley

**Tue 22.1.19** Stay and Learn Class 3 9.00 - 10.00

Wed 23.1.19 Stay and Learn

Class 2 9.00 - 10.00

Thu 24.1.19 Stay and Learn Class

4 9.00- 10.00

Mon 28.1.19 Stay and learn

Class 1 9.00- 10.00

Wed 27.2.19 Parents evening

3.30-7.30

Fri 1.3.19 Class 2 assembly Fri 8.3.19 Year 2 @ singing

workshop

Fri 22.3.19 Class 1 assembly

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# Words from the Woods! *Friday 18*<sup>th</sup> *January 2019*

Dear parents,

In Class 4 pupils have been sequencing key events from WW2 on a timeline and creating 'Blitz' scene artwork. They have been putting movements together in PE to the sounds of WW2 to re-enact what it must have felt like when the war was announced by Neville Chamberlain and when the air-raid siren rang out. Class 4 are also getting 'stuck in' to their novel - Goodnight Mister Tom by understanding the key characters in more detail and







Class 3 visited Hazard Alley last Friday in Milton Keynes. The children learnt about various aspects of safety including fire safety, first aid and road safety. A real highlight was what to do if you find yourself in a dark alley and calling emergency services from a simulated phone. The staff at Hazard Alley complimented all of the children on their politeness, knowledge and understanding, stating they were one of the best groups they had ever had!

Class 2 have started their new Science topic

Materials. They enjoyed a material hunt around the school. The children have also started looking at money. They are getting very good at making different amounts up to £10! Class 1 have been investigating shadows in science and learnt how shadows are formed and change shape. They also had a great time making paper puppets and putting on mini performances!

The nursery children have completed their second week at Cadmore and have settled in well. They have been exploring colour through stories, games and art.

### Reading

Studies show that reading for pleasure makes a big difference to children's educational performance. Evidence suggests that children who read for enjoyment every day develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures.

Learning to read is about listening and understanding as well as working out what's printed on the page. Through hearing stories, children are exposed to a wide range of words. This helps them build their own vocabulary and improve their understanding when they listen, which is vital as they start to read. It's important for them to understand how stories work too. Even if your child doesn't understand every word, they'll hear new sounds, words and phrases which they can then try out, copying what they have heard.

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To help you in choosing the right books, I have attached a suggested reading list. If you would like further advice in how to support your child, please do not hesitate in contacting your child's class teacher.

# Stay and Learn

We will be hosting our termly Stay and Learn sessions for parents. These sessions are designed to enable you to see how we teach your children at Cadmore End and the methods and strategies we use.

If you are able to attend, please can you complete the Stay and Learn acceptance slip (which came home in your child's book bag today) and return on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019

Please note that due to health and safety, we are unable to accommodate babies and small children.

#### Uniform

If you have not already done so, please can you ensure that your child brings in their Forest School and PE kit. Your child must have their kit otherwise they will be unable to take part.

# Forest School kit:

Warm waterproof jacket, trousers and wellington boots

# PE kit:

• School logo PE top/light blue t-shirt, navy/black shorts, navy/black tracksuit bottoms and trainers.

If you have any difficulties, please speak to your child's class teacher or myself in confidence.

#### **Forest School reminder**

Please can you return your child's Forest School questionnaire ASAP.

As always, have a lovely weekend. Best wishes, Mrs D Groom Headteacher

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