



*International, Inspiring, Incredible*

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**Newsletter**

**Key Stage 2 Leader**

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Tracy Esposito has been appointed as our Key Stage 2 Leader. Mrs Esposito has given many years of dedication to providing inspiring teaching and learning to our pupils and we all look forward to working with her in this new role. Please join me in wishing Mrs Esposito all the very best in this new position.



<b>Important Dates</b>	
Thurs, 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	E-Safety Parent Workshop
Fri, 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Last day before Half Term. School closes 13.00hrs, buses leave at 13.10hrs, no lunch provision.
Mon, 4 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 8 Mar	Half Term Holiday
Mon, 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Return to school
Fri, 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	World Book Day
Thurs, 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Red Nose Day
Fri, 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	International Day
Fri, 5 <sup>th</sup> Apr - AM	Y3/4 Tag Rugby Tournament
Fri, 5 <sup>th</sup> Apr – PM	Y5/6 Tag Rugby Tournament (TBC)

**Online Learning and Digital Resilience Parent Workshop**

As part of ongoing work on internet safety we will be running an Online Learning and Digital Resilience Parent Workshop. The workshop will give parents information on educational sites that we use in school for home learning and include how to help your child with digital resilience.

We are delighted with the amount of interest in these workshops. In order to accommodate as many of you as possible we have decided to run two workshops. I therefore invite you to attend on -

**Thursday, 28 February** at **15:45 or 17:30** in **Year 5 Classroom**

I hope that these workshops provide some useful information on a very relevant and important topic.

**Parent Consultations**

The Parent Consultations for FS2 – Y6 will be taking place after the Half Term Break.

FS2, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019  
 Y1 - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019

You can now book your parent consultation appointment on-line. Simply log-in to the parent section of the website and you will find the appointments under the Parents Evening tab. You will be able to book your appointments until 13.00 on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> March. After this time, you will not be able to self-book your appointment and you will need to contact the school office. If you have more than one child, please allow enough time between appointments in case the first appointment overruns.

If you have any problems logging on or booking your appointment, please contact Mrs Robertson in the school office as soon as possible.



## **World Book Day – 15 March 2019**

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**

On Friday 15 March, we will be celebrating World Book Day.

Children and Staff members are invited to use their imagination and dress up as a character from a book for the day.

Who will your child choose to be? Wally? Stick Man? Paddington Bear? James Bond? Harry Potter? Mary Poppins? Matilda? Or Mrs Twit? We look forward to seeing you all!

Please remember, that children will still be going outside to play, so outside shoes and coats will still need to be worn.

There will also be the opportunity to purchase books on the day from the school book fair to further encourage enjoyment of reading. Book prices will range from €2.50 to €10 and all profits will go to the PTA. We ask that children please bring any money in a named and sealed envelope so that they can choose a book on the day.

## **Red Nose Day – 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019**



On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, we will be celebrating Red Nose Day to raise money to help support vulnerable people and communities in the UK and internationally. Details of the good work carried out by this charity can be found on their website: <https://www.comicrelief.com/what-your-money-does>.

This year, we invite children to wear brightly coloured pyjamas or onesies to school, in return for a donation.

The School Council will be selling Red Nose Day merchandise throughout that week, details will follow.

## **British School International Day – 29 March 2019**

I am excited to announce that we plan to hold our annual International Day on Friday, 29 March 2019. This day is always a highlight of our school calendar and is popular with children, staff and parents.

I would like to invite parents from our international community to volunteer to run educational workshops/presentations to celebrate countries and cultures. The children will rotate around these activities in their class groups.

These activities could be as simple as showing some photos and making flags. It would be good to have a variety of rooms – England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Belgian, Czech, Albania, Italy, USA, Turkey, Slovakia, Hungary, Greece, Denmark, Sweden, Germany, Spain, etc.



This wonderful event can only happen with the support of parent volunteers so we would like to appeal for your involvement. Thank you in advance for your participation. To get involved, please contact the school office on –

[shape.admin@modschoools.org](mailto:shape.admin@modschoools.org)

## School Clubs

Please be advised that there will be a number of changes to our lunch time clubs following the half term holiday.

### **Creative Writing and Football Clubs – Year 3 & 4**

The final Creative Writing and Football Clubs for Years 5 & 6 will run on week commencing Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

We are delighted to announce that these clubs will be offered to Years 3 and 4 from week commencing 11 March 2019. If you would be interested in your child attending these clubs please email the school on [shape.admin@modschoools.org](mailto:shape.admin@modschoools.org).

### **Cooking Club**

The final After School Cooking Club for the current group will take place on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February. The next group will commence on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> March. More information will follow soon.

The final Knitting and Computer Programming clubs will take place the week commencing Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

**All other clubs including the After School French will continue until 11 April 2019.** A complete list of the clubs that will run from w/c 11 March until 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019 are included below:

<b>DAY/TIME</b>	<b>CLUB OFFERED</b>	<b>YEAR GROUP</b>	<b>STAFF MEMBER</b>	<b>VENUE</b>
<b>Monday</b> 12.45-13.15	Science Club	Y1 – Y2	Mrs Brooks	Y2 Classroom
<b>Monday</b> 12.40-13.15	Country Dancing	Y2	Miss Hyde	American Gym
<b>Tuesday</b> 12.40-13.15	Football	Y3 – Y4	Mr Ratcliffe Volunteer Coaching Team	American Gym
<b>Tuesday</b> 15.30-16.30 (After School)	French Club (Limited numbers)	Y5 - Y6	Mme Marie	French Room
<b>Tuesday</b> 15.30-16.30 (After School)	Cooking Club (Limited number)	Y1 – Y2	Mrs Bucknill / Miss Hyde	Food Tech Room
<b>Wednesday</b> 12.45-13.15	Saxonet	Y5 – Y6	Mrs Rook	Music Room
<b>Wednesday</b> 12:45 – 13:15	Character Club (Play Leaders)	Y4 – Y6	Miss Lucas / Miss Tarpey	Y1 Classroom
<b>Wednesday</b> 15.30-16.30 (After School)	French Club (Limited numbers)	Y1 – Y2	Mme Marie	French Room
<b>Thursday</b> 12:45 – 13:15	Creative Writing Club	Y3 – Y4	Mr Ratcliffe	Y6 Classroom
<b>Thursday</b> 15.30-16.30 (After School)	French Club (Limited numbers)	Y3 – Y4	Mme Marie	French Room
<b>Thursday</b> 12.40-13.15	Tag Rugby	Y1 – Y2	Mr Ryder / Mr Niedzwiedzki Volunteer Coaching Team	American Gym
<b>Friday</b> 12.40-13.15	Netball	Y3 – Y6	Miss Hyde & Mrs Beattie	American Gym
<b>Friday</b> 12:45 – 13:15	Choir	Y1 – Y6	Miss Briers / Mrs Rook	Music Room

## World Children's Day – Drawing Contest

This year we will be participating in the SHAPE International School Drawing Contest. All children are invited to take part in the event by producing a drawing on A3 size paper. The theme is "I care for my planet".

All submissions should be received in the British School office no later than 12 noon on Friday, 22 March 2019. Please ensure that your child/rens name, section and age is put on the **back** of the drawing. More information and details of prizes can be found on the attached poster.



## Belgian Section - Invite to Sugaboum

The Belgian Section of SHAPE international School have invited students between the ages 10 – 13 to their Sugaboum event. This event will take place on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> March from 6pm to 9pm at the Event Centre. More information and details on how to sign up are attached to the email.

## Year 5/6 Residential Trip to Trier 11-14<sup>th</sup> June 2019

As part of Y5 and Y6 history study of the Romans, we are pleased to announce that our residential visit this year is to Trier in Germany.

There will be a meeting about this trip in April and we warmly recommend you attend to find out more about this exciting trip! The date and time for this meeting will be announced after half term.

**Please fill in the online form before March 1<sup>st</sup> to confirm your child's participation.** If you are aware that your child will not attend, please ensure that you let the school know as soon as possible.

## Forest School Update

Over the last couple of weeks the children have been participating in a diverse range of activities. The FS2 children followed a trail based on the story 'Goldilocks' and used their phonics skills to decipher the clues. Year 1 developed their team building skills by playing various games and Year 2 created dens out of natural material. Our Year 3 – 5 classes practiced the Timber Hitch Knots and attempted to make low level, diagonal shelters. Finally, Year 6 played team building games designed to develop trust and cooperation skills.

Have a great weekend!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Niedzwiedzki'.

Mr J Niedzwiedzki,  
Headteacher

