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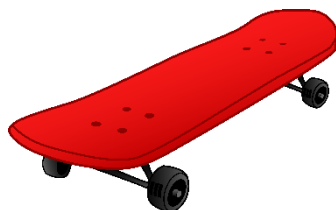
Dear Parent/Carer,

11 February 2022

The school is closed next Friday 18 February for staff training and will re-open again on Monday 28 February after the half term break.

SKATEBOARD WORKSHOPS

Y3 and Y4 pupils enjoyed their skateboard training this week.



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY Overall school attendance is recovering now after the effects of the pandemic; this week it was over 95%. It is important to maintain this level of attendance for the children's wellbeing and academic development. Of course, if your child is unwell, they should not attend school and Covid isolation rules still apply. If your child's attendance dips below 90%, we will inform you.

Please also make sure that your child is arriving at school before 8.55am. Gates are open from 8.40am and the children start work as soon as they enter the classroom each day.

MENTAL HEALTH AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING POLICY The school has developed a new policy to support pupils' wellbeing. It can be found on the school website.

<https://www.seamerirtonprimary.co.uk/w3/admin/kcfinder/upload/files/POLICIES/Mental%20Health%20and%20Emotional%20Wellbeing%20Policy.pdf>

SCHOOL DINNERS Week beginning 14 February 2022

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Cheese & Tomato Pizza Roast Veg Wrap Saute Potatoes Peas and Sweetcorn | Jacket Potato Bar Choice of Toppings:- Cheese, Beans, Tuna Chicken Mayo | Savoury Mince Veg Sausage Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potatoes Veg Medley | Sausage & Mash Veg Cottage Pie Roast Parsnips Broccoli | Fish Fingers Veggie Burger Baked Beans, Peas, Chips |
| Pasta Bar | Pasta Bar | Pasta Bar | Pasta Bar | Pasta Bar |
| Cheese Sandwich | Ham Sandwich | Tuna Sandwich | Cheese Sandwich | Egg Sandwich |
| Chocolate Crunch | Cheese & Biscuits, Fruit or Yoghurt | Jelly & Ice cream | Apple Crumble & Custard | Sponge Cake with Jam |

WORLD BOOK DAY We love to celebrate the joy of reading all year and even more so on World Book Day. This year, World Book Day is on Thursday 3rd March. Please note that we will **not** be dressing up this year, so no need to buy costumes for school. However, we will be running book themed competitions and activities in classrooms and our library to encourage plenty of book talk and reading.

Why not get involved in our 'Reading Rocks' competition? We would love pupils to decorate a rock, using paints or pens, with a picture of a book character, book cover or quote. Please bring this in to school by Thursday 3rd March. There will be a small prize for the winning entry in each class.



READING STAMINA We are currently focusing on developing pupils' reading stamina across school. This is the ability to read for an extended period of time without requiring adult supervision to maintain attention. Reading stamina includes the ability to re-engage with a text following an interruption or distraction and being able to get 'lost' in a book. In the fast-paced world we live, it is more important than ever that pupils learn how to slow down and focus on enjoying a book without distractions. Research studies have shown that reading for just six minutes a day can reduce stress levels by up to 60%.

Part of our stamina training is to help pupils decide on the right conditions for reading, including where they feel most comfortable reading and choosing a 'just right' book (not too easy or too difficult). We hope that this focus helps the children to read with greater stamina at home too. Look out for class tweets to see how pupils' stamina is developing.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 18 February – Staff training day. School is closed to pupils.

Monday 28 February – School re-opens after half term.

Thursday 3 March – World Book Day

Tuesday 22 March – Class photographs

Friday 8 April – School closes for Easter.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Jonathan Wanless
Headteacher

