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# Newsletter

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## Newsletter 9 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Welcome back to the New Year.

We hope that many of our children this year will be like Meet the Goal Mole, designed by Harbor in Year 1.

Meet the goal Mole by Harbor Sutherland Y1



### Clubs

School run clubs will start next week. As always, we will endeavour to give you advance notice if a club has to be cancelled, but when a member of staff is ill, it may mean a text home on the day instead.

Please can we request that if your child will not be attending a club for any reason, that you inform the club leader so valuable time is not spent trying to locate them when they do not appear?

Many thanks.

### STEM Week

(Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)

We will once again be promoting these key subjects in a week of activities beginning the 27<sup>th</sup> February. If you feel that you could support this event in either providing resources, talking to children or providing an experience, please contact Mrs Holding or Mrs Dodwell.

We are keen to raise the aspirations of all children, but girls especially in terms of these subjects.

### Reading Challenge

Following on from the last newsletter, we would like to launch our *2017 Reading Challenge for Junior children*. Please see attached letter.

If you, or any Grandparents, feel you have any time to spare to come in and hear readers in school please email Mrs Badham, [sbadham@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:sbadham@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk).

### Thank you

A big thank you to all those parents who spoke to Mrs Cooper or Mrs Parker on the playground yesterday morning. They were here as part of a Local Authority Review of provision. A report will be coming back to us in the near future, but we were really pleased with all the positive comments you made about the school. Your support is much appreciated!

### Census Day Menu

It is school census day on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January. As we would like as many children as possible to have a hot dinner on this day, a different menu will be provided:

*Bangers, Mash and Beans*

or

*Soup & warm cheesy baguette*

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*Chocolate brownie with chocolate sauce*

### Young Voices

If you have ordered and paid for Young Voices tickets then these will be ready for collection from the office from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January. Please note that all tickets must be signed for by an adult and cannot be sent home with children.

### Term Dates

Term dates for 2017/18 will be published by the end of January, however we can tell you that children will return to school on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017.



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## Tri Woodmancote

Following the success of the Tri Woodmancote Teams over the last few years, a group of parents have taken it one step further and would like to share with you a few of their thoughts and aspirations for the year ahead.

*We are a new club; just days old, aimed at new, beginner or intermediate triathletes, but if you run, cycle, swim or any combinations thereof you will be welcome. As a new club this is going to be a bit of a year of discovery as we develop both what the club can offer for its members, and what those members want. There will be regular social (centred on the Apple Tree in Woodmancote) and active sessions (based in and around Woodmancote, Cheltenham and the surrounding area), likeminded folk to train and race with and a relaxed atmosphere to offer encouragement and support rather than cut throat competition. There will be no expectation of sporting excellence or mandatory attendance, we see it more as some lightly organised fun!*

*Adult membership for the calendar year 2017 is £22 payable through the entry central link below and in addition to joining in the fun you will be able to benefit from.*

- *BTF/Tri England Membership - £11 discount if you take out personal membership of TriEngland.*
- *Up and Running Cheltenham - 10% discount on full-priced items on presentation of your membership card*
- *[Club shop on justalittlebit.co.uk](http://justalittlebit.co.uk) - opportunity to purchase club branded apparel*

*If this sounds like something you would like to be part of then please click the links below to find out more, or email me with any questions.*

<http://www.triwoodmancote.com/>

[https://www.entrycentral.com/tri\\_woodmancote\\_adult\\_membership](https://www.entrycentral.com/tri_woodmancote_adult_membership)

*Best regards and we hope to hear from you soon,*

The **Tri Woodmancote** team.

Pete, Louise, Nikki & Phil.

## PTA News

Happy New Year!

The PTA are planning lots of fun events for this year, starting with the sponsored Pancake Flip in February and then Mothers' Day Pressie Planet in March. We do need volunteers for these forthcoming events so if you are interested in assisting at an event, or would like to know more about the PTA please feel free to pop along to our first meeting of the year to be held at the school on Wednesday 18th January at 7.30pm. Alternatively, you may contact us via our email address, [pta@woodmancote.glous.sch.uk](mailto:pta@woodmancote.glous.sch.uk) or through our Facebook page.

Thank you for your continued support.



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### Diary Dates

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|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>26<sup>th</sup> January</b>               | Young Voices                                              |
| <b>w/b 6<sup>th</sup> February</b>           | Bikeability Training for Year 6                           |
| <b>10<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>                   | Last day of Term 3                                        |
| <b>20<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>                   | First Day of Term 4                                       |
| <b>21<sup>st</sup> Feb</b>                   | Parent Consultations 4.30-7.20                            |
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> Feb</b>                   | Parent Consultations 3.30-6.20                            |
| <b>w/b 27<sup>th</sup></b>                   | STEM week<br>(Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) |
| <b>7<sup>th</sup> March</b>                  | Dance Festival for Year 1 and Year 3                      |
| <b>22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> March</b> | Year 4 Residential Trip to the Forest of Dean             |
| <b>6<sup>th</sup> April</b>                  | Last day of term for children                             |
|                                              | Whole School Photograph                                   |

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