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Arbory School News

Dates

Monday 13th February

School Public Speaking
4pm

(open event for parents,
families and friends)

20th to 24th February

Half Term

27th February

Engineering Week

6th/7th March

(6th/8th March for yr 1)

Parents Evenings

10th March

Foodbank Food Swap

20th March

Rotary Public Speaking

(Arbory is hosting the all-
island junior final)

24th March

Girls' Football

Competition

27th March

Manx Folk Awards Week

31st March

Cake Sale

2.30pm

5th April

Junior Cross Country

8th February 2023

Dear Parents

Please take some time to make a note of this month's information.

Margaret Mansfield

We were sad to hear that Margaret passed away on Tuesday 2nd February. Margaret had been involved in education for a long time as a teacher and member of the Education Council. More recently she had chaired the meetings of the governing body and has been a good friend of the school, supporting us at the many events we organise.

Industrial Action

We have been informed by the Department of Education, Sport and Culture that the planned strikes by members of the NASUWT are still planned for next week. **Children Year 4 and Year 6 should not attend school on Wednesday and Thursday next week.** Please keep an eye on local media for updates and we will let parents know of any changes if they occur.

Dinners - Spring Term

£11.75 weekly

First Half Term - £70.50 Second Half Term - £68.15 Full Term £138.65

Please note that the kitchen staff need two weeks' notice when children are swapping from packed lunch to school dinners. Please also check your child's account on www.parentpay.com and pay any outstanding negative balance.

Clubs

Guitar - KS2 - Tuesday - 8.20am - both groups can now come every week rather than alternating

Running - Tuesday lunchtime

Manx dancing - KS2 - Friday - 3.30 - 4.30pm

Choir - Wednesday first play and Friday last play

Tag Rugby - Y2/3 - finishing at half term

Violin - Thursday - 8:20am for those having violin lessons with Ms Hope

Uniform

Please note that children should have black school shoes to wear around school but children in KS2 may change into trainers at play time. Please also ensure that children are wearing grey tights and trousers as black is not part of the school uniform.

We have a large selection of second hand uniform in the foyer than can be taken. A donation of 50p per item is usually given for school funds.

Parents' Evenings

Parents Evenings - Monday 6th March and Tuesday 7th March. (Monday 6th March and Wednesday 8th March for year 1 parents/guardians)

Bookings can be made through Arbor from Monday 13th February.

Climbing Mesh

Thanks to the fund raising efforts of the Friends of the School, we are excited to announce that work will begin on the new climbing mesh on the lower field. This will be a great asset to the school and I am sure that the children will enjoy using it.

Prime

This drink seems to be very popular at the moment but children should only bring water to drink in school. Children on packed lunches are allowed to bring fruit juice as part of their meal.

Headlice

Please keep checking your children's hair for signs of headlice as a few cases have been reported recently.

Yours sincerely

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