

THE



BELL

Working together -Together things work

Week Commencing: 3 March 2014

Lunch Menu Week 1

Dear Parents,

Well done to our swimming team who battled hard against Oswestry School to come second only after the relay races.

Today we have said goodbye to our caretaker, Peter Jones, who has worked at our school for 22 years. We wish him the best of luck in his retirement and thank him for his service to our school.

I hope to see many of you on Sunday at our table top sale. Enjoy your weekend,

Sean Sibley

POLITE REMINDER

We would like to politely remind parents that if they arrive late in the morning, they should bring their child to the school office. They should not accompany their child into class. Similarly, at the end of the school day, parents should not let themselves in with the flow of children leaving but should speak to a member of staff to establish whether it is convenient for them to come into school. Obviously teachers are always happy to talk to parents when a mutually convenient time has been agreed. This policy is in place to help safeguard all our children.

Ye Olde Boote Inn


“Blow The Winter Blues Away” with our **Live Music** evening on **Friday 7th March**. Food will be served from 6:00pm, with fantastic live music starting at 9:00pm.

This is a wonderful family event, and all are very welcome. So why not join us for some great fun and a lively atmosphere!
Your Village, Your Pub.

Oswestry LitFest



Please can you help us collect as many tokens as possible from the **Advertiser** between now and 11 March 2014 and bring them into school?

 in Oswestry is giving away £1,000 in vouchers and every school who sends in tokens when the competition finishes on Friday 18 March 2014 will receive a portion of these vouchers. The greater the number of tokens, the greater our share of books !!



FOW Bag Packing event M&S Simply Food in Oswestry

on Saturday April 12th, 10am until 5pm

As of Monday, there will be a list of slots in Reception where helpers can put their details on to say when they can kindly help.

TABLE TOP SALE

Sunday 2 March 2014

10.00—12.00 noon

In the school hall.

£10 a table.

Please contact the school office NOW or call Lorraine on 07740432240.

THIS SUNDAY!

The Friends Of Whittington school are holding a meeting on **Thursday 6 March 2014 at 7.30pm in The Boote.**

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

VACANCY

We are also looking for a Secretary, and no longer a Treasurer. Anyone who is interested in the role, but cannot attend the meeting, can talk to me (Victoria) either in the playground or make contact via victoriabudd2@gmail.com. That way we can go through the voluntary role in brief. Thank you very much for your continued support, we hope to see you there.

The landlord of The Boote would like The Friends Of Whittington School to be his nominated charity. We are extremely grateful as not only does it create a great sense of the community as a whole pulling together, but the fact that The Boote is such a popular place, means that any events we have will get excellent advertising. In return, we will of course be supporting events being held at The Boote, and the information for future events will be in The Bell

DIARY DATES

- The Week Ahead

Monday 3 March—Last Day for returning Parents Evening slips

DEXYS IS ON ALL WEEK

- AM Brass lessons start again today
PM Muddy Mondays is on for children in Reception Class.
3.15—4.30pm Multisports Club for children in Years 3 and 4.

Tuesday 4 March

- 12.00 noon Parents of children in Year 1 invited to sample a school dinner.
12.30—1.00pm I-pod Club for children in Year 6.
PM Drumming Lessons start again
PM Violin lessons for children in Years 4 and 5
3.15—3.30pm Library open
3.15—4.15pm NO Fencing Club- this has now finished.
After school Dance Club starts for children in Years 1 + 2. FULL
£18 for 6 weeks- please pay at the school office.
3.15—4.30pm Football Club for children in Years 5+6, weather permitting

Wednesday 5 March -Bike/Scoot to School Day (see letter on Page 6)

Meet at The Castle at 8.30am

Year 1 please bring in junk modeling today

- 9.15am Ash Wednesday -Whole school Church service. Everyone welcome.
PM NO Welly Wednesdays for children in Years 1 and 2.
Sports Coaching for children in Reception and Year 1
3.15—4.00pm Homework Club for children in Years 5 and 6 with Mrs Frost.
3.15—4.15pm Mad Science Club for children in Years 1 and 2-spaces still available
3.15—4.30pm J H Coaching—Football Club for all year groups. Cost is £17.50



Thursday 6 March —

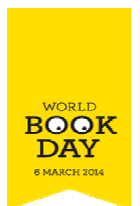
WORLD BOOK DAY fest

Children come to school dressed as their favourite character.
No charge

- 3.15—4.15pm Art & Craft Club for children in Reception, Years 1 and 2.
Names are now being taken for after Easter.
3.15—4.30pm Multisports Club for children in years 1 and 2.
7.30pm FRIENDS OF WHITTINGTON SCHOOL MEETING IN THE BOOTE

Friday 7 March

- 12.00—12.30pm Cross Country for children in years 3-6 with Mr Sibley.
3.15—4.30pm Gymnastics Club for children in years 3-6. £9 for 6 weeks. Please pay at the school office.



DIARY DATES—Countdown to Easter

MARCH

Wednesday 12	5-a-side girls football at Marches Parents' Afternoon (1.30pm - 3.00pm) and Evening (3.30pm - 6.00pm) (Appointments only)
Thursday 13	Instrumental Workshop at school. Please remember your violins! Parents of children in Year 2 invited to sample a school dinner. Cross Country at The Marches at 3.45pm.
Friday 14	Superhero Day- children come dressed as their favourite superhero and pay £1 which will go to Sustrans
Tuesday 18	Parents of children in Year 3 invited to sample a school dinner.
Friday 21	1.30pm MOMO theatre group doing a performance about road safety.
Wednesday 26	Orthoptist coming in to check vision of certain Reception Class children .
Thursday 27	Parents of children in Year 4 invited to sample a school dinner.

APRIL

Tuesday 1	Parents of children in Year 5 invited to sample a school dinner.
Wednesday 2	Children in years 3 and 4 going to World Museum, Liverpool. Leave school at 9.00am and back at 4.00pm. Remember packed lunch! Last Mad Science after school session. 3.20- 4.20pm
Thursday 3	Year 5 Taster Event at The Marches School Easter Service in the Church. 2pm- Everybody welcome
Friday 4	Year 6 trip to Dino- Snores at The Natural History Museum in London Leave school at 12.30pm and return on Saturday at about 5pm
Thursday 10	Parents of children in Year 6 invited to sample a school dinner.

Break up for Easter

(Friday 11 April is a PD Day when children do NOT attend school)

Easter Holiday	10 April - 27 April 2014
Return to School for Summer Term	28 April 2014
Summer Half Term	26 May - 1 June 2014
PD Days:	18 July and 21 July 2014



WHITTINGTON SCHOOL TABLE TOP SALE

IN WHITTINGTON SCHOOL HALL

SUNDAY 2ND MARCH 10AM TO 12PM

£10.00 per table

**Pre pay at school
office or send a
cheque to
Whittington school
to guarantee a table.**

**Teas, coffees and
bacon sarnies will
be on sale.**

Lots of parking

**Questions call:
Lorraine
07740432240**

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PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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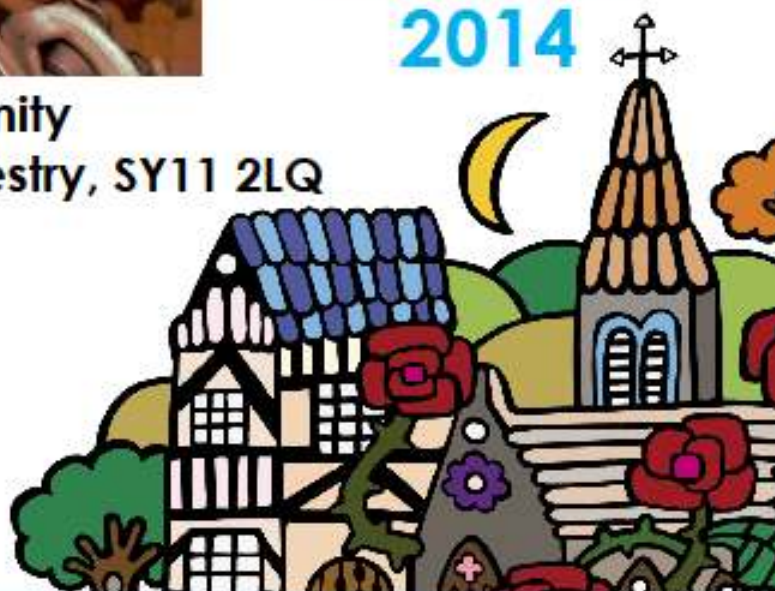
Tel: 01691 662269



FREE
basic cycle
maintenance
workshops
Oswestry
2014

Eastern Oswestry Community
Centre, Cabin Lane, Oswestry, SY11 2LQ

- **Friday 7 February**
- **Friday 14 March**
- **Friday 9 May**
- **Friday 27 June**
- **Friday 17 October**



Suitable for anyone who wants to keep a bicycle in good working order. Learn how to check bicycle safety, repair a puncture and make minor adjustments.

Classes last 3 hours (**10am-1pm**), are free of charge and are open to people who live, work or study in Shropshire.

For more information and to book your place visit:
www.travelshropshire.co.uk/cycle-maintenance
or contact Ray Hughes, Shropshire Council 01743 253008
transport@shropshire.gov.uk





Whittington Primary is taking part in the Big Pedal 2014!!

Dear parent/carer

Get set... we are taking part in the Big Pedal 2014, a giant inter-school cycling and scooting competition encouraging children, staff and parents to choose two wheels for their daily commute!

The event is powered by Sustrans (sustrans.org.uk), funded by the Bike Hub (bikehub.co.uk), and we are taking part on the two challenge days, on the **Wednesday 5th March** and the **Friday 14th March**. It is totally FREE to enter, and we would love everyone to be involved.

On these challenge days there will be a Sustrans wheelie character to collect and add to our Big Pedal wallchart, and the more people who cycle and scoot, the more powerful our wheelies will be. We will be competing against other schools right across the UK, and if we clock up the most bike and scooter journeys, we will win!

Why we have signed up

We think it is a fantastic way to get more of our pupils on their bikes and scooters and have fun getting to school. And it will be great to compete to become one of the UK's top schools for two-wheeled journeys, not to mention our chance to win some brilliant prizes. We think you will enjoy less congestion outside our school gates too!

Fundraising superheroes!

On Friday 14 March we would love our pupils to be involved in Sustrans' superhero day by dressing as their favourite superhero in exchange for a £1 donation. This gives every child the chance to be involved in the Big Pedal even if they do not scoot or cycle. If we submit one of the five best superhero pictures we'll win a bumper kit bag of hi-viz vests for our school. You could join in too! The money will mean Sustrans can help more children have safer, happier and healthier school journeys.

What is next?

All you need to do is encourage your child(ren) to cycle or scoot to school on the days we are taking part and join them on their way – parent and sibling journeys count too!

For more information about the event and details of prizes, go to www.bigpedal.org.uk

Please get in touch with Joanne Morrison at Joanne.Morrison@sustrans.org.uk if you have any questions.

Enjoy the ride!

Mrs Beaumont.