

MONTH February
YEAR 2011

CALENDAR

Academic Year 2010 – 2011

Spring Term 2011

Term Starts: Tuesday 4.1.11
Half Term: 21.2 - 25.2.2011
End of Term: Friday 8th April '11

Summer Term 2011

Term Starts: Tuesday 3.5.10
Half Term: 30.5 – 3.6.10
End of Term: 15.7.10
(12.30pm finish)

Autumn Term 2011

Term Starts: Wednesday 7.9.11
Half Term: 24.10 – 28.10.11
End of Term: Friday 16.12.11
(12.30pm finish)

Reminders

Friday 18th February

Break up for Half Term

Monday 28th February

Term Starts

Wednesday 2nd March

U-11/U-9 Football v
Cophill (a) 3pm
U-11/U-9 Netball v
Peterborough & Cophill
(a) 3pm

Thursday 3rd March

World Book Day
G & D Football v
St. Hugh's (h) 3.30pm

Friday 4th March

Beetle Drive – details to
be advised



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Welcome to the TGPS newsletter. The Colsterworth Music Festival

The TGPS Wind Band came away with a very well deserved first place. All those early Friday morning rehearsals really paid off! Rarely have I heard a band from this age category perform to such a high standard. At one point I thought the adjudicator was going to run out of positive adjectives! Although the musical performance was extremely polished with a great deal of attention to the dynamics and phrasing, the highlight for me was to witness the impeccable behaviour and appearance of both the Wind Band and the Samba Band members. The sheer professionalism and presentation was a joy to watch! I felt extremely proud and privileged to be associated with TGPS.

Thank you to all the parents and staff who supported us at The Meres. A special thank you to Mrs. Banfield for her assistance and congratulations to all in the Samba Band for performing so well in their first ever public performance. A great team effort all round. Mr. Wilson MBE.

TGPS Wind Band



Swimarathon 2011

Thank you once again – and we promise not to mention it again – the Swimarathon target of £500 was trounced! £704.49 was our final fabulous total and we are extremely grateful for your help. We are already training for next year's whopping total of £750! TGPS Piranhas and Mr. Park

18.02.2011



Important Dates

21.2.11 – 25.2.11

Half Term

17.3.11

Year 6 visit to the Royal Academy, London

24.3.11

EYFS visit to Sundown

29.3.11

Parents' Evening 5pm – 7.30pm

31.3.11

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01.4.11

Open Day 10am – 2pm

08.04.11

No Easter Parade, Egg Competition instead, watch this space for details!

End of Term Assembly 12 noon, finish 12.30pm

Parents welcome.

Cool Cats Uniform

Supplier

The link for Cool Cats uniform supplier has been added to TGPS website. If you access the Uniform & Equipment heading on the home page, there is a direct link to the Cool Cats website.

Cool Cats Clothing

Web site address:

www.coolcatsclothing.co.uk/store.html

Colsterworth Festival Success

TGPS juniors and infants came away with victories on Friday at the Colsterworth Festival of Performing Arts. The Wind Band set the tone for the day with a fantastic, winning performance in the ensemble class. Willoughby from Class Four particularly impressed with his excellent drumming in Queen's "Another One Bites the Dust". There was also some super percussion from the Class Three Samba band who gave a very rhythmical and sunny performance, earning praise from the adjudicator. The afternoon session saw more success – this time from the recitation groups, with the juniors earning second place and the infants going one better, and winning their class with a wonderful rendition of Binker by AA Milne. They are now planning on competing at the Lincoln Festival in March. Our dancers also performed with great panache, earning praise for their elegance, as they danced to a traditional Celtic cradle song, sung by the Contraries group from KGGS. Mrs. Banfield was very proud of their poise, discipline and commitment. There was further success on Saturday when Joshua from Class Five and Emma from Class One won their recitation and speaking classes, gathering three trophies between them.



In the music classes, Scarlett from Class Six came third in a very competitive singing class.

Our congratulations go to them all. In all more than fifty TGPS children took part, and all behaved impeccably, giving their best performances, and watching others with courtesy. We are very proud of them all. Mrs. Banfield

World Book Day – Thursday 3rd March

Remember to organise your outfit over half term. Children may dress up as a favourite character from any book. Please donate a book from home that you have enjoyed and we will arrange an opportunity during the day to "swop a book". Please bring a £1.00 and we will donate this to a charity suggested by our School Council. We also hope to celebrate the day by reading stories to the children and enabling our older children to read to our younger classes. Later in the month (30.3.11) we have organised a visit from "Rev it Up". It is a team of West End actors that will use a mixture of acting, comedy, music, audience interaction and participation in order to capture the attention of the children; and encourage them to use their imaginations. It is based upon the theme that books can be the fuel for imagination & learning and will be appropriate for all our children.



Confucius Classroom

Class Six have made a couple of visits to China, via The King's School this month. The King's School arranged a Confucius Classroom, where children are taught by a Teacher on secondment from Langzhou in the centre of the country. The sessions were a great success, with our pupils now able to recognise several Mandarin characters, and speak a number of words. They also learnt a little about life in a provincial town, and the incredibly varied landscape of Gansu province. Our thanks go to Mrs. Colette Martin at the King's School and Yaling, our Chinese Teacher, for a wonderful experience. Mrs. Banfield



Monday 28th February

The artist in residence at Belvoir Castle Laury Dizengremel will be joining us for assembly on the first Monday after half term to talk to our children about her work. She will return on Friday 4th March to work with our Year 6 children on a special project.

Under 11 Football v National School

The team took an early lead in this hard fought game with a wonderful passing and finishing move. The National School pounded our goalmouth with some spectacular goal kicks from a very strong goalkeeper and eventually drew level. A further goal midway through the second half saw National start to pile on the pressure which eventually led to an own goal from our hard worked defence. Although defeated, the team earned well deserved praise from many of the visiting supporters and should be proud of their commitment.

Saturday 12th March 2011

Harvey's sister Lea Crompton is organising "The Big Red Nose Walk" on Saturday 12th March. Everyone is welcome. To register please call Lea Crompton on 01476 566110, £1.00 entry fee. There will be many enjoyable family activities organised at Grantham Meres Leisure Centre and other venues around the town. It will be a local community event involving the whole town.

I hope you all have a relaxing half term holiday and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 28th February 2011.
Mrs. Korcz

