



The Misbourne Families' Bulletin

For the week commencing Monday 13 May 2019 (Week B)

Welcome to our families' bulletin, for more details regarding any of the information below, please click on the link to our website.

WHOLE SCHOOL:

Reporting Student Absence If your child is ill, please notify the school on the first day using our 24 hour answer machine service (**01494 867843**), or email: **attendance@themisbourne.co.uk**. Please include an estimation of the likely length of absence. Please **do not call our main switchboard, or email reception** since they may not be able to forward your message immediately and the attendance team needs to be aware of any absences for safeguarding purposes.

Safety when dropping students off at school on London Road - due to concerns raised regarding students' safety at school drop-off/pick-up times, particularly along the London Road, can we please ask that you help to reinforce the safety of your children on the roads. Where possible, we would prefer drop-offs to take place away from the London Road where there is a speed limit of 40 mph which drivers often exceed, and students walk to the front entrance of the school. Students should not be using the London Road as an entrance/exit as this is for vehicular exit only. Many thanks for your cooperation. Mrs A Harding, Headteacher Pastoral.

Our new Accelerated Reader programme is up and running. Year 7, 8 and 9 have started library lessons and have been picked books guided by their individual book levels. We recommend students should be reading at least two books per half term and for 20 minutes per day at the very minimum as part of this reading journey. As a result, the whole of Key Stage 3 is reading during form time three days a week. If you would like to find for suitable books for your child, you can search on AR Bookfinder. <https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/>



Relabeling our existing collection was a huge task and I really could not have done it without the help of our Year 7 reception monitors, the student librarians and a couple of students who came in on their 'Day to Work'. They have been well and truly wonderful. I would also like to thank families who have sent book donations in to be added to our collection. Our students appreciate our new-to-us stock and always hover nearby when I am about to shelve them.

Miss N White, Librarian

We want your old school uniform – We always need spare school uniform to use in many different ways. For example:

- When a student needs to change uniform during a school day, because of a zip breaking, trousers splitting, skirts ripping, trips and falls resulting in wet clothing or covered in mud.
- To help families who struggle financially and need help providing uniform.
- New students who are unable to get the uniform in time for their first day.
- General times when a student has lost, forgotten, or left items at a place other than home

Any school uniform of reasonable quality which is of no further use to a family can be donated to school and should be brought into the school and given to reception for the attention of Miss Sudborough.

Great news about The Misbourne 5k and 10k Run taking place on Saturday 22 June - runners who attend The Misbourne as students can get a discount on their entry fee! Click the link below, then when prompted use the following passwords:

For the 5k (£5 instead of £12): STUDENTS19 For the 10k (£10 instead of £16): Students10

NB: the discount is ONLY for Misbourne students. [Here's](#) the link - get signing up.

YEAR GROUP SPECIFIC NOTICES:

YEAR 7

Puzzle Solving Competition - Mr Reese will be running a Kenken competition for year 7's on Thursdays at lunch time in 306 in the Maths block between now and half-term. Kenken offers a great chance to practice simple maths and logic skills while completing a simple Sudoku-like puzzle. There will be plenty of merits to be won by participants.

YEAR 13

Study Leave - Year 13 are on study leave from Monday 13 May except for any vocational course students who have not yet completed coursework and the A-Level Photography students who are in their exam from Monday 13 to Wednesday 15 May.

SUPPORT 4 PARENTS

Have you ever thought ...
If only I knew then
What I know now...?

Now you can help in a really practical way.

We're looking for volunteers to work in a structured way with families in your area who are struggling to parent children under 8.

If you are interested in working with families and have experience in looking after children, you can make a difference.

If you can spare about 3 hours a week, we'll train you in how to pass on your precious skills and knowledge and we'll support you in doing a really worthwhile job.



Want to know more?

- Telephone Barnardo's Support 4 Parents for an informal chat on (07715) 428 690
- Email: support4parents@barnardos.org.uk
- Or see the Barnardo's website www.barnardos.org.uk
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