

### School Crossing Patrol

A number of parents have asked about the School Crossing Patrol on Middlecroft Road. The lady who did this retired at Christmas and Derbyshire County Council have made the decision not to replace her.

### Half Term Workshops

Barrow Hill Roundhouse are having some half term library workshops at Brimington Library on Thursday February 21st 1.30pm - 3.30pm and at Staveley library on Friday February 22nd 1.00pm - 3.00pm. Join them for some crafty railway activities and look at some interesting objects from Barrow Hill Roundhouse. All sessions are free, drop in at anytime.

### Term dates 2018 - 19

#### School Opens

Monday 7th January 2019  
Monday 25th February  
Monday 29th April  
Monday 3rd June

#### School Closes

Friday 15th February  
Friday 12th April  
Friday 24th May  
Friday 19th July

School will also be closed on Monday 18th March for an INSET day, Monday 6th May 2019 for May Day and Friday 21st June 2019 for an INSET day.

# Speedwell Infant School 29th January 2019

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### NSPCC Number Day



On Friday 1st February we are taking part in NSPCC Number Day, raising awareness of the work of the NSPCC. Children can come dressed in a number e.g. football shirt, birthday badge, own decorated t-shirt with numbers. Please do not go to any expense for this day, you could simply get your child to draw a number on a piece of paper and fasten it to your child's clothes. The children will take part in fun maths activities during the day.

### Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 5th February is Safer Internet Day. The aim of Safer Internet Day is to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively. We will be reminding children about keeping safe on the internet. Find out more at [www.saferinternetday.org.uk](http://www.saferinternetday.org.uk). Derbyshire Constabulary let us know about the following free online course for adults to gain essential cyber security knowledge and skills to help protect digital life. Learn about safety at home online at <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/cyber-security>

## Oxford Owl Reading Ideas

There are some fun ideas for learning at home with your child on the following site.

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/advice-for-parents/fun-ideas-learning-at-home>

## Headlice

We have had a number of reports of headlice in school. Please check your child's hair regularly. The advice from the school nurse is that it needs to be part of a health routine just like cleaning your teeth.

Please take a peek once a week. If you spot a louse then please comb hair with a fine tooth comb at least three times during that week.

The school nurse recommended the following routine

- condition the hair whilst wet,
- comb hair with an ordinary comb first then use the detector comb
- comb down keeping the teeth touching the head as much as possible
- check the comb for lice
- make sure you comb the whole head

Please make sure you check your child. It is not fair on other children and their parents if a few do not check and get rid. Don't forget to check everyone at home including adults.



We have some free combs to give out - please ask!

## Afternoon Nursery

Do you know a child who is 3 years old or will be soon? We have afternoon places available from April 2019. Please tell any friends or neighbours if they have a child who may like to attend our nursery to call school on 01246 472336 or call in at the school office for more information.

Also if you have a younger one who you would like to attend our nursery in the future you can put their name on our waiting list. Again call in the office to register.

We also have a friendly Parent and Toddler Group that meets term time on a Wednesday morning 9.00am - 11.00am. It is led by Mrs Fox from the nursery. It costs £1.50 per family and includes a snack and a drink for child and adult. Again please let any friends or neighbours know about it.

## Guide Dogs for the Blind

On Thursday 7th February we will be having a visit from Chesterfield Guide Dogs for the Blind. The children will learn about the work of a guide dog. At the start of the day the children and yourselves will have a chance to buy merchandise that will be reasonably priced. The merchandise will be on sale in the hall in the morning.

