



MADRAS V.A. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FORTNIGHTLY : 5th March, 2020

TERM DATES
2019-20

School opens-7th Jan
2020
Half term -14th Feb
School opens-24th Feb
Easter hols- 3rd April

School opens-21st April
Half term -22nd May
School opens-1st June.
Break up -17th July.

2020-21

School opens- Thursday
3rd September
Half term – 23rd October
School opens -2nd
November.
Christmas – 18th Dec

In the mornings, a
member of staff is on the
yard from 8.45am. Gates
will close at 8.55am

Thank you for your co-
operation and support

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case of absence

Headteacher's Surgery

Every Thursday between
9-9.30am

No appointments
needed

Nursery

Our visitor last week in Nursery was
Mr.Wolf and his pancakes! Poor
Mr.Wolf – no one would help him
to make pancakes. We wrote
shopping lists of ingredients and
made a pictogram of our favourite
topping. Mrs. Jarvis flipped 22
pancakes and only dropped 1! We
learnt all about Dewi Sant and we
are following his example ' Be
good, Be happy'.
We thoroughly enjoyed our welsh
folk dancing.

Class 1

It was all about pancakes last week.
We discussed the true meaning of
Shrove Tuesday leading into Ash
Wednesday and looked at the types of
things we could give up for lent. We
made pancakes concentrating on the
procedure that was followed by writing
instructions in the correct order. We
also read the run-away pancake where
we had to re-tell the story in our own
words or identify specific parts of the
story. In Maths, we have been sorting
and classifying different objects. We
also discussed Dewi Sant concentrating
on 'doing the little things in life' e.g.
talking to people, helping people and
teaching people. The children were
excellent performing in our St David's
Day whole school assembly. Da iawn

Class 2

Class 2 have been busy using their
computer skills to help them to find
out information about different Mayan
artefacts. They worked in groups to
research and present the information
to their classmates. In literacy we have
discussed the different features of
newspapers and have started drafting
our own.

In Maths we have been concentrating
on Capacity. We have been very hands
on, estimating and measuring the
capacity of different containers.
All of the children enjoyed performing
in our whole school St. David's Day
celebrations. They were bendigedig!

Class 3

In Topic this week, we have
studied volcanoes. We have
created a PowerPoint about
Volcanoes. We then used
Google Maps to find the
location of ten active
volcanoes. We plotted them
on a map and used a key.
We had a fantastic range of
'Ancient Greece' work in
after the half term holiday,
ranging from posters to
ancient fact sheets and we
even had a Greek pillar.
What a treat! We cannot
wait to start our new topic
next week.

To start our Greek topic we
have created different Greek
images to display on the wall
as a class timeline and we
will create individual ones in
our books.

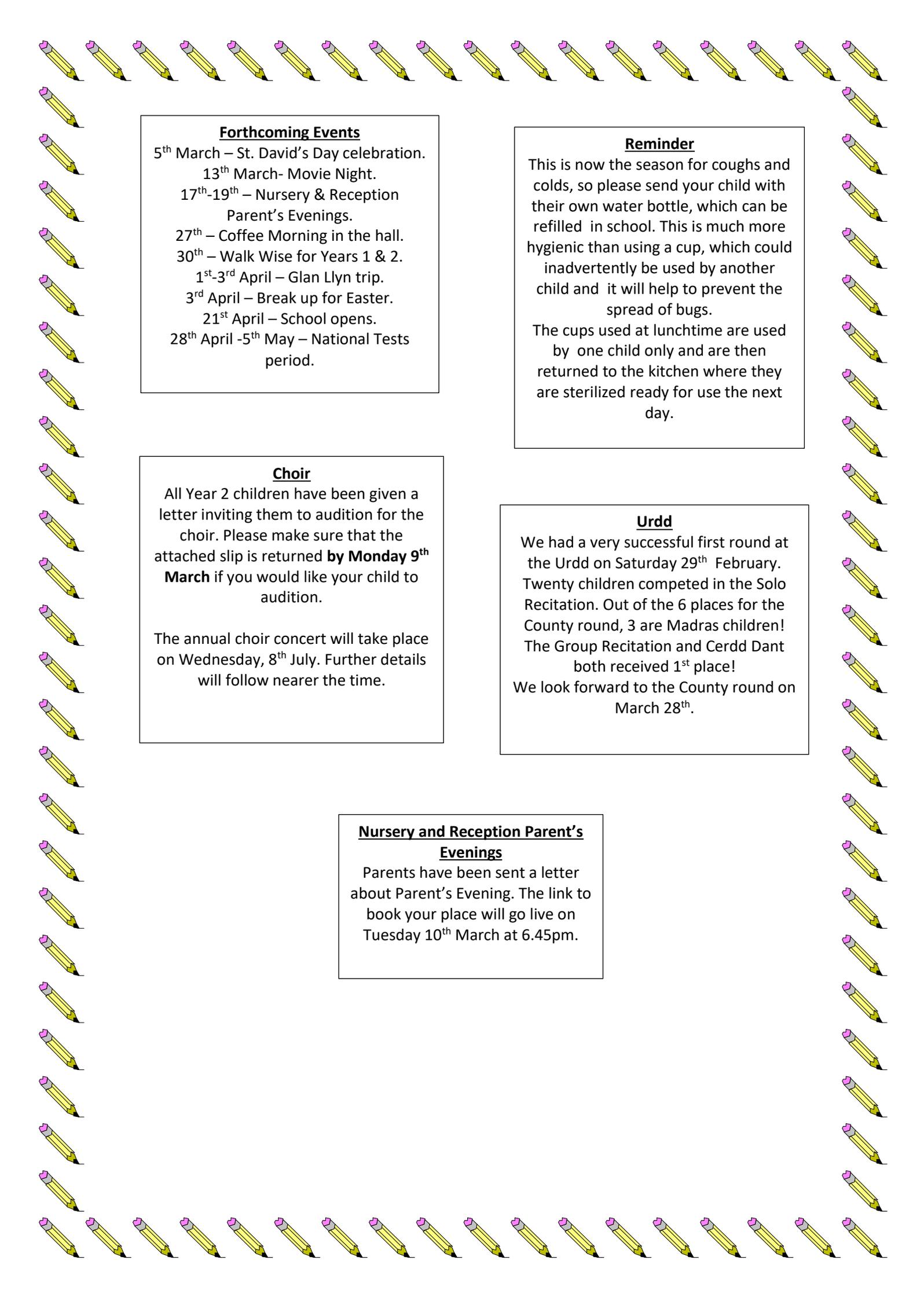
Class 4

In Literacy we have spent the
week arguing with each other!
Children are learning the skills
of debating – some are very
good at arguing a point already!

We have looked at zoos,
homework, mobile phones in
schools and:

Do girls work harder than
boys? (a very heated debate!)
In maths we have started to
look at pie charts as well as fine
tuning line graphs and bar line
graphs. It is percentages,
fractions and decimals next.

The fiver groups are well
underway; we have designed
our logo, made leaflets,
budgeted/costed out and
started to buy in supplies ready.
The next step will be a Dragon's
Den style presentation to some
of our governors to persuade
them to invest in the company.
Exciting times ahead.



Forthcoming Events

5th March – St. David's Day celebration.
13th March- Movie Night.
17th-19th – Nursery & Reception
Parent's Evenings.
27th – Coffee Morning in the hall.
30th – Walk Wise for Years 1 & 2.
1st-3rd April – Glan Llyn trip.
3rd April – Break up for Easter.
21st April – School opens.
28th April -5th May – National Tests
period.

Reminder

This is now the season for coughs and colds, so please send your child with their own water bottle, which can be refilled in school. This is much more hygienic than using a cup, which could inadvertently be used by another child and it will help to prevent the spread of bugs.
The cups used at lunchtime are used by one child only and are then returned to the kitchen where they are sterilized ready for use the next day.

Choir

All Year 2 children have been given a letter inviting them to audition for the choir. Please make sure that the attached slip is returned **by Monday 9th March** if you would like your child to audition.

The annual choir concert will take place on Wednesday, 8th July. Further details will follow nearer the time.

Urdd

We had a very successful first round at the Urdd on Saturday 29th February. Twenty children competed in the Solo Recitation. Out of the 6 places for the County round, 3 are Madras children! The Group Recitation and Cerdd Dant both received 1st place!
We look forward to the County round on March 28th.

Nursery and Reception Parent's Evenings

Parents have been sent a letter about Parent's Evening. The link to book your place will go live on Tuesday 10th March at 6.45pm.