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INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

29th June 2018

LATEST NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 2 and Year 1 were out and about this week and I must tell you that so many people have spoken to me to say what excellent behaviour the children all demonstrated. Zoo 4 You visited Nursery – and again what gentle, kind and caring behaviour all the children demonstrated. Well done everyone!

Wednesday 4th July - New Schools, New Classes and Open Evening

Next week the children will find out who their new class teachers are. They will spend part of Wednesday morning with their new teacher and take home some work that tells you who their new teachers are and the name of their class. It is important to be positive about the change for them. Start by recognising the things that will be the same and then talk about the things to be excited about because they are new. In the evening we are opening school from 4.30-6.00pm for parents and carers to come and look at the work their child has done over this year as well as have an opportunity to meet their new teachers.

Reports

The annual report for your child will be sent home on Thursday (5th July) next week. Our aim is to ensure that the reports are as perfect as we can make them. Each teacher will have written/read over 20,000 words. I have read each report, over 140,000 words. Please understand that even though we try to ensure there are no mistakes, we are only human and there may be one or two errors. Do not worry, but please come to let us know so that we can amend them, reprint and give a correct one back to you. Please also see below

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for some information about the reports that you may find useful.

Your Friends Committee Needs You!

We hope that you'll agree that this year's fundraising events have been fun for all and have helped our school and our community to come together in a very special way and we thank you all for being a part of it. As you know it takes a fair amount of organising and we have very much appreciated the time that many of you have given in helping out and also hearing all of your comments of congratulations post event. If you would like the chance to be more involved next year, ALL committee posts are up for grabs as we are set to lose key members and those of us that remain are happy to do a 'cabinet reshuffle' to ensure the fun continues. So if you are interested in being, CHAIR, VICE CHAIR, TREASURER or SECRETARY (job shares also possible) and have some spare time to run errands, buy supplies, send emails, count money, attend meetings, make props, create spreadsheets, sell tickets or chase advertisers, etc. then please do get in touch and we are sure it will be one of the most satisfying jobs you've ever done.

Peter Bakare Sponsorship

Thank you very much for all you have given to the Sports Fundraising. You are simply wonderful!

Report Information

The reports provide information about the progress, attainment, behaviour and social skills of your child. Here are some code busters you may find useful!

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CVC – Consonant Vowel Consonant words (e.g. dog, cat)

CCVC – Consonant, Consonant, Vowel, Consonant (e.g. flan, clip)

FRED – This is the word we use for our Phonics teaching lessons.

Genres – different types of reading or writing (stories, instructions, reports, recounts).

Conjunctions – These are joining words such as and, but, so and because.

Contractions – These are two words that we shorten when they are together e.g. She's (she is) or who's (who is).

Precision Teaching – This is time spent one to one with a teacher working on very precise learning skills.

RED words – These are words that we can't blend, you have to read by sight (were, the, why).

Alien Words – These are words that are not real but allow the children to use their phonic knowledge to blend.

Ice Pop Challenge Winners this week

The Ice Pop Challenge winners this week were Nursery with 58 smiley Faces!!!

Birthday Books

Thank you to Isaac L and Emma for choosing a birthday book to give to their classes.

Good Manners Table

On my Good Manners table this week were Edward, Alesha, Rosie, Cerys, Elliot G, Adam and Joseph R. Marvellous!

Class with the most attendance

The class with the best attendance this week is Moonstone Class with 95%!

Thought for the week

'If you want PEACE you must give up the idea of conflict for all time'

As we approach the end of term please remember that everyone is busy. The children are tired. The teachers are tired. Parents and carers are tired. When the weather is beautiful, as it has been, we tend to do more in the evenings and routines fly out of the window. Please remember that sometimes LESS IS MORE and taking a 'your foot off the pedal' to slow down a little is best.

Have a brilliant, relaxing weekend.

Mrs Paines

Nursery

Well done to Barnaby's Uncle who was a great success talking to the children. Thank you so much for coming in.

On Thursday 'Zoo 4 You' visited Nursery and it was fabulous. We saw a Madagascan cockroach, which most of the children held, an 8-year-old tortoise that could live to be 100, a skunk, a rat, a wonderful south American tree frog that changed colour, a parrot and a bearded desert dragon. Steph, who brought the animals and talked to the children about them, was great and put the children at their ease so that everyone had a great time. We thank the Emerald parents who pick up at 11.45am for their patience on Thursday.

The children have been creating snakes and using their cutting skills to create spiral snakes. They have also painted some tall rainforest trees and large leaves in our role play area. It is almost complete and you will be able to come and look at it on our open evening next Wednesday 4th July. Do come along if you can between 4.30-6.00pm.

We have been learning about the canopy where most of the animals live in the rainforest and that it is dark at the bottom because the sunlight does not get through.

Next week we will be continuing our summer walks around the school and looking for woolly worms and insects along with their habitats. We will be learning to create our own rain stick and percussion instruments related to the sounds of the rainforest. Please could you bring in cardboard tubes for making rain sticks – no toilet rolls thank you.

The optional activities this week is 'r' for rain, and 'u' for umbrella and a minibeast tally chart and flower tick sheet to do in your garden, or if you visit the park. This is similar to what we do on our summer walks and is great for developing your child's listening and observational skills, as well as

learning to be more aware of the environment they live in. 18th July.

Also next week some children will be visiting Ruby and Topaz class and we will be taking groups over regularly from now until the end of term.

You will be receiving a letter about a get together on the field at the back of the main playground on 11th July. This will be for your child, parents, carers and siblings - so please keep the date free if you can. The theme will be castles and minibeasts.

Is anyone able to look after or share in looking after our fish, Barry and Shep for the summer holidays? Please see one of the team. 😊

Have fun exploring this weekend with your tally sheets.

HELP! Help! We still need help to turn the wormery upside down. There is nothing in it except a load of dried up soil. If you can help with this, please let us know.

We hope you enjoyed the Thank You tea party! Thank you again so very, very much for your weekly support!

The Nursery Team 😊😊😊

Reception

This week, we have been talking about new beginnings and next year at school. On Monday, we had a special circle time to talk about the changes that will be happening at school in the next few weeks. We discussed how everyone felt and what they were worried about or looking forward to.

In PE and maths, we will be practised the long jump and then recorded how far we had jumped using our hands and feet as measurements.

We also made thank you cards and sang the song 'I do like to be beside the seaside' to all the parents, carers, friends who have helped us at school this

year. A big thank you to everyone for all your help and support!

Next week it is Pirate Week. We will be doing lots of pirate based activities, including:

Thursday 5th July is Pirate Day. Please can your child come to school dressed as a pirate. Please do not feel the need to buy an outfit, a home made one is great! A big thank you for all the food donations – please can your child bring these in on Thursday morning. Please check the ingredients to ensure that the food provided does not contain any nuts, sesame or seeds eg. bread, biscuits, snacks – thank you for your help with this.

Vocabulary: adventure, journey, treasure

Show and Tell: Squirrels

Theme: Pirates

If you have any junk modelling please can you bring it into school, thank you! Please remember NOT to bring any packets/boxes that have contained nut/sesame or other seeds.

The Reception Team 😊

Year 1

We had such a lovely time at the beach this week. The children were all so well behaved and we enjoyed jumping in the waves and playing at the park!

In Literacy this week we have learnt how to use question marks in our writing. We then wrote postcards to a friend from a seaside holiday and tried to include a question in our writing.

In Maths we have completed our end of term assessments and completed many independent maths activities both inside and out. The activities we have focused on include missing number sentences, tally charts to find out information from the class and measuring various classroom objects. The children have also been matching 'dienes' to numbers and representing them as sticks and dots. A picture of a stick represents one ten and a dot represents one unit

Home learning:

Literacy – Can you write a postcard to a friend describing a holiday you have been on?

Maths – Can you write a number and get your child to represent it as sticks and dots e.g.

22 is | | •
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Show and tell group - Elephants

Year 2

The highlight of this week has been our trip to the Houses of Parliament. It was amazing to stand in the room above the cellar in which Guy Fawkes placed his explosives all those years ago. We also learnt about the fire that destroyed all but one of the rooms and saw the golden throne where the Queen sits at the State Opening of Parliament.

Inspired by our visit, in Literacy we have designed and created information leaflets about the Houses of Parliament. We thought carefully about what would make other people want to visit and the features that a leaflet should include.

In Maths we have been learning how to collect data and sort it on to a Carroll diagram. We have then interpreted the information in order to answer questions about the data.

We have continued to practise our Country Dancing and we are honing our recorder skills ready for our Leavers' Assembly! In Art we have looked at historic and modern London buildings and completed a London scene using chosen materials.

Next week: Amethyst will be visiting Stokes Field on Monday and Diamond will do the same on Tuesday. The children will need:

- To wear T-shirt/long trousers or leggings/trainers;
- To bring a change of clothes in a named bag
- To bring a small backpack or similar with a water bottle and home fruit;
- To have sun cream on (please apply at home);
- To have a lightweight raincoat if the weather is unpredictable

On Thursday Amethyst will be doing Road Safety/ Pedals and Baking. Diamond will do Road

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Safety/Pedals and Baking on Friday. Please remember to bring your bike or scooter on the right day!

School Office

Class Photos

Any class photos ordered for delivery to school were sent home with your child today. If you did not receive your order, please contact the school office.

Friends

Phew what another scorcher!

Next week the new Reception parents/carers and children will be visiting on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd July between 9.15 - 10am. The Friends will be providing tea and coffee in the hall for the parents/cares while the children visit their new classrooms, and we will also be laying out the pre-owned school uniform and selling children's books. If you are able to help out with this on either day and will be available to have a chat about starting school and what to expect then please do let me know on jessica2179@yahoo.co.uk

Thank you to Moonstone class for running this week's ice lolly sale - next week will be Diamond class and Amethyst on 13th July, who will be running a tuck shop instead of lollies and selling the SoccerStarz toys and children's books.

The rocks painted at the fair will be appearing in the school's new rockery areas, these rocks are not to be removed unless you have painted them, thanks!

Please save the date 22nd July 9.30am-4.00pm for the Kingston Dragon Boat Race, alongside Canbury Gardens in Kingston; we have two teams entering this year! Sponsorship forms will be sent out soon. Dig deep and come and cheer us on, there are rides and stalls and shows too and it's just a great day out.

Have a great weekend, take care in the sun!
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ACHIEVEMENTS

Value Stars: Peace



Will B
Hattie
Natalie
Christopher
Arsad
Jennifer

Golden Certificates:

Toby
Harry D
Archie
Mary
Sophie C
Tom H
Rayaan
Tuuli
Megan S
Poppy H
Amethyst class
Peter
Florence H
Phillip
Sylvie
Blake
Diamond class
Batoul
Alfie R
Isla C

Credit Card:



Emily E – 4
Sophie G – 6
Isaac L – 5
Anna - 4

Outside Achievements:

Alfie R was awarded a trophy for Star Fencer
Wilf completed a 5km Epsom Downs run to raise money for bone cancer charity
Megan made her Rainbow promise this week
Georgina was awarded her 200m ASA swimming badge
All the children at fencing club were awarded their Little Musketeers Grade 1 certificate
Amelie O'S and Natalie were awarded a Gymnastics Superstar certificate for 'Great handstand and cartwheel work'
Nancy has learned about water safety as part of Drowning Prevention Week

DIARY DATES

July 2018	
Monday 2 nd	Yr 2 Amethyst Class summer visit to Stokes Field Half price book fair after school all week
Tuesday 3 rd	Yr 2 Diamond Class summer visit to Stokes Field
Wednesday 4 th	Yr 2 to Long Ditton St Mary's Juniors – induction visit (morning) New classes visit 4.30-6.00pm Open Evening – all welcome – half price book fair
Thursday 5 th	Yr 2 Road Safety/Pedals Course - Amethyst
Friday 6 th	Yr 2 Road Safety/Pedals Course - Diamond 10.00am Languages Assembly (parents/carers whose children take part are invited to come and watch – please let the school office know if you will be attending)
Monday 9 th	Multi Cultural week Yr 2 trip to AirHop – <i>please return the Visit Permission form</i>
Tuesday 10 th	Afternoon – Yr 1 visit to Surbiton Hockey Club Yr 2 to visit LDSM Juniors Yr 6 Leavers' Production (afternoon)
Wednesday 11 th	Nursery get together
Thursday 12 th	Yr R Fire Engine visiting school 2.15pm Rocksteady Concert (parents/carers whose children take part are invited – please email the school office if you will be attending)
Tuesday 17 th	2.00-3.00pm Yr 2 Leavers' Disco
Wednesday 18 th	9.15am Yr 2 Leavers' Assembly Nursery last day
Thursday 19 th	Nursery closed
Friday 20 th	Nursery closed 9.15am Church Assembly at St. Mary's Church – all welcome School closes at 1.30pm for the Summer holidays

EVENTS / ACTIVITIES (outside of school) / School Adverts



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Sunday 15th July, 11am to 5pm
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