



Newsletter

Week beginning 2nd May 2016

'Achieving now in preparation for the future'

Welcome

Although the weather was not completely on our side over the weekend, I hope everyone enjoyed the extra day at home and made the most of the bank holiday.

What's been happening?



Pirates vs Mermaids

Years 3 and 4 performed their long awaited musical on Friday afternoon to parents, family and friends. The children have worked extremely hard over the past few weeks learning lines and songs and it all came together on the day! The children were **fantastic** and we have received many comments, from those who watched, of how impressive the children were.

'It was so funny, I laughed a lot!'

Mrs Williams

The aim of introducing this extra performance opportunity for the children in lower KS2 is to help develop confidence, speaking and listening skills, teamwork and general performance skills. The children involved this year have made their teachers very proud. Well done to you all.

Maple Class visit Ashford Treatment Centre

The children in Maple Class spent the day learning about how our water is cleaned and treated before we drink it. They made dams, tested the velocity and PH of water and walked around the reservoir. The children had a tour of the factory and had the opportunity to ask lots of questions. It was a hands on informative day that the children thoroughly enjoyed. *Thank you to Miss Grimshaw and Mrs Woolley for coming along to help out.*



Year 6 are after your donations!

The children in Oak Class have been busy planning lots of different fundraising events to raise money to pay for their class trip to London. If the children raise enough money they will be going to the West End to watch Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. You will already have received a 'Guess Who?' entry form where you can win a small prize by matching the teacher to the toddler picture and may have bought a cake at the cake sale! Also coming up this term, look out 'Drench the Teacher', penalty shootout and a Year 6 sponsored silence for the day. An **impressive £140 was raised** at Thursday's cake sale. Well done to Oak Class for all their efforts.



Keeping Hydrated and Safe in the Sun

As the weather is starting to get warmer and the sun is shining a little more, the children are now using our school field and enjoying their break times in the sun. It is important that all of the children have a named water bottle in school that they can access through the day and when they are outside. Also the children will need to bring a named sun hat into school to wear as the weather gets hotter. The school will provide shelter using our gazebos however, shelter will be limited. We would also recommend a once a day sun-cream that will help protect their delicate skin during their time at school.

Friday Mile

Over the next 2 weeks each class will be introducing the **Friday Mile** where every pupil will either run or walk a mile during the Friday afternoon for the remainder of the school year. This, along with sessions on eating healthily, is part of our push to improve the fitness levels of our pupils and help them to develop a clearer understanding on how to ensure a healthy lifestyle. Running a mile each week will help the children to increase their fitness levels, build strength in muscles and joints, keep their weight at a healthy level and to develop a good habit of taking regular exercise.



For your information



Travel and Safety working party

We have arranged for Chris Skidmore to attend our next parent working party meeting (20th May) to discuss possible solutions for our concerns regarding traffic speed and parking on the main road. The aim is to put together a proposal to go to the local council. Anyone interested in coming along and sharing their ideas, please contact Mrs Robinson for further details.



Names please

Please can you ensure **ALL** of your children's belongings are named. Our pile of lost property is growing and unfortunately, with so many children in school, we have no way of returning items without names!

Congratulations!

Special Achiever Awards

Well done to the following children who all received a certificate in assembly on Friday.

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| Lewis (Y6) | Chloe (Y6) | Jack (Y5) |
| Ronnie (EYFS) | Bethany (Y6) | Stuart (Y3) |
| Flo (EYFS) | Callum (Y6) | Akiva (Y3) |
| Brody (Y1) | Archie (Y6) | Lily (Y6) |
| Kacey (Y6) | Lucinda (Y6) | Lily (Y5) |
| Ellie (Y6) | Daisy (Y5) | |

Star awards

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| Lewis (Y3) | Grace (Y4) | Zane (Y4) | Evie (EYFS) |
| Beech Class | Willow Class | | |

Dates for your diary!

DATE	EVENT
Monday 9 th May	Year 6 SATs week
Tuesday 10 th May	Voice coaching in Willow Class
	Magical Maths afterschool club
Thursday 12 th May	Year 6 Penalty shoot out
Friday 13 th May	Edgelets - Pre-school drop in
Monday 16 th May	ASSESSMENT week
	Football Match vs St Anne's 4.00pm
Tuesday 17 th May	Magical Maths after school club
Wednesday 18 th May	Assembly team in school
Thursday 19 th May	Year 6 table top sale
Monday 23 rd May	Year 6 at Heatree House
Tuesday 24 th May	Magical Maths afterschool club
Friday 27 th May	Last Day of School
Wednesday 8 th June	Year 6 trip to London
Thursday 9 th June	Dentist visit - whole school assembly
	Maple Class Swimming
	Year 6 Drench the Teacher (After school)
Friday 10 th June	SUMMER FESTIVAL 3.30pm - 6.00pm
Monday 13 th June	Year 1 Phonic screening (this week)

Mrs Robinson