



Chiddingly School Newsletter

"Achievement for All, Learning Together, Learning for Life"

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Friday 16th October 2015

British Values Day - Wednesday 21st October

To celebrate British Values Day, children are invited to come dressed in red, white or blue or as a famous British person.



Any cakes for the Chiddingly Great British Bake Off should be left in the school hall for judging in the morning. An after-school cake sale will be held from 3.30pm and all the proceeds will help towards the cost of the African Drumming day for all children in Term 2.



BAKE SALE

Following a fun day of activities, you are invited to a presentation of our learning at 2.30pm in the hall. Feel free to come dressed in the same way as your children if you wish!

End of Term 1 Celebration

To celebrate the children's work from Term 1, parents are invited to come into classes at 3.15pm on Friday 23rd October to look at the displays and books. We do hope you will be able to join us!

School Council

This week the school council have been developing their own version of the School Development Plan which is now completed.

Look out for these around the school in the next few days!

Playground Reminders

Please do not drop off your children in the playground before 8:35am as staff will not be on duty until 8:35am.

No dogs are permitted in the playground at any time.



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Sycamore Class Forest School

In our Forest School sessions this term, Sycamore class have been inspired to write! We have focused on listening to, looking at, touching and thinking about our surroundings to write poems and descriptions of the Forest. Mrs Yates introduced us to some games to support us with this, and to help us develop our knowledge of the wildlife in the area. We learnt about how animals use their senses to hunt and about how bats use their senses to stay safe in the wild.

We have all chosen a 'Special Place' in the Forest and we have spent time in our Special Place to reflect on our local area and what we can find there. We have shared our Special Place with a partner and completed some shared writing activities.

Here are some photographs of us enjoying our Forest School learning.



Lost Property

Please ensure all uniform and personal belongings are clearly named. If you have lost any items please speak to school teaching staff or the school office.



Team Building Day

On Tuesday 13th October, Sycamore class teamed up with Year 5/6 at East Hoathly and travelled by mini bus to Cuckmere Haven. When we arrived, we were put into groups (Octopus, Whales, Jellyfish and Sharks) and were given a safety talk. In our groups, we then began our first activity. During the day, we rotated around 3 exciting activities; wet and wild kayaking, tricky and challenging team building games and explorative orienteering!

Some of us found the kayaking tricky and a little bit scary but we managed to hold our nerve and thoroughly enjoyed it in the end! During the team building session, we played different games that involved working together. The first was 'The Stomper' where we had to move ski-like planks of wood using rope, the second was a spider web where we had to get the whole team through the web without touching the wires and the gutter challenge where we had to make a ball travel through some guttering.

During the orienteering activity, we explored the local area walking alongside the Cuckmere River. We learnt about the geography of the area.

We had an amazing day and we were exhausted when we got home (especially the grown-ups!). We would like to thank Mrs Stevens and Mr Dowling who came to support us on the day.

Allanah: 'The kayaking was challenging but really good fun once I got the hang of it!'

Quinn: 'The day was the best school day ever! We were able to try things that we had never done before.'

Alfie: 'I enjoyed seeing the East Hoathly class and making even more friends.'



Learning Powers Certificate

In next week's celebration assembly at 9.25am the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Oak - Aidan Holder

Beech - Sophia Mendes

Willow - Ruby Stonestreet

Sycamore - Mia-Rose Lyons Willard



Top Table winner:

BELGIUM (6 points)

Ruby Stonestreet

Jack Cleaver

Casey Shaw

Jasmine Sowden

Ella O'Neill

Jorin Woolmer



The joint runners up this week are **England** and **Greece** with 5 points each.

Diner of the Week:

Lilian Pollard

This Week's House Points:



Big Ben 121



London Eye 143



Buckingham Palace 157

This week's winner is:

Buckingham Palace!

Chiddingly Stars of the Week are:



Sebastian (Oak) - for his great writing using sounds to write words.

Conner (Oak) - for impressing Mrs Tayed by remembering all of the sounds and actions.

Jimmy (Oak) - for his amazing independent letter formation and impressing Miss Lewis with his singing.

Sienna-Rose (Oak) - for writing numbers up to 14.

Hope (Oak) - for using a numberline to add 1 digit numbers.

Molly, Florence, Blake, Isobel, Jessica, Pru, Harvey, Chloe (Beech) - for independent high quality work. Well done for all your efforts and progress.

Henry (Beech) - for writing champion sentences and naming verbs, nouns and adjectives.

Finley (Willow) - for working so hard adding and subtracting 10 and 100.

Kayley (Willow) - for a fantastic acrostic poem about harvest in Scotland.

Lottie and Oliver (Sycamore) - for solving challenging word problems involving finding percentages of quantities.

Danny (Sycamore) - for his great singing and for his literacy, writing and challenging work.

Oliver (Sycamore) - because of his great work and for huge effort in achieving all expectations.

Well done everyone!



Dates for your diary 2014/15

October

- 21st British Values Day
23rd End of Term 1 Celebration, 3.15pm

November

- 2nd **INSET DAY**
3rd Start of Term 2 for pupils
11th Remembrance Day, 9.25am
12th New Parents Open Day, 9.30-10.30am
17th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am
17th Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm
18th New Parents Open Day, 1.30 - 2.30pm
19th Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm
25th New Parents Open Day, 9.30- 10.30am

December

- 9th New Parents Open Day, 6-7pm
10th Panto 'Robin Hood'
17th Nativity Performance - 2pm & 6pm

January

- 5th INSET DAY
13th Maths Day

February

- 12th End of Term 3 Celebration, 2.30pm

March

- 3rd Book Day
8th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am
14th Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm
16th Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm
24th End of Term 4 Celebration, 2.30pm

April

- 20th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

May

- 25th Awe & Wonder Celebration, 2.30pm
27th INSET DAY

June

- 14th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

July

- 7th Sports Day
8th Table Tennis Tournament at East Hoathly
8th School Reports sent out to Parents
12th Parent Consultation Meetings to discuss reports only, 4-6pm
14th Summer Production, 2pm & 6.30pm
21st Leaver's Service, 2pm
22nd INSET DAY
24th Ground Force Day, 10am - 2pm



Any amendments or additions to the diary are in *italics*.