

Chiddingly School Newsletter

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

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School Community Coffee Morning

Parents are invited to join Mr Procter or Miss Lewis each Friday from 8.35am for coffee, tea and chat in the hall and then afterwards from 9.25am for the celebration assembly. Any parents who wish to just attend the assembly are welcome to join us from 9.25am.



Homework Policy

Please note that an updated homework policy has been created and is available to view on the school website, under the 'policies' tab. Thank you.



Poetry Competition Winner!

Congratulations to Jocelyn Jeary who won the Hailsham Festival poetry competition (under 11's age group) with her nature poem entitled 'Am I Bonkers?' Jocelyn won a cash prize and recited her winning entry out loud at the prize-giving event.

Am I Bonkers?

You might find me bonkers, but I love conkers.

I'll tell you why...

Smooth, brown and round, you find them on the ground.

Big, medium or small, I love them all.

Horse Chestnut trees give us these, They make me feel so pleased.

Falling like big rain drops to the ground, Just waiting to be found!

Autumn jewels in spikey cases, putting smiles on children's faces.

As you can see I am not bonkers Surely everyone loves conkers?

House Team Captains

We have changed our house team names to the following iconic British buildings: Big Ben, London Eye and Buckingham Palace.

Year 6 children were invited to nominate themselves for the role of house team captain for the year. Part of their role will be to get involved with sports day and other house team events throughout the year. The following children were successful:

Big Ben:

William Darwall-Smith Ella O'Neill Vice - Jess Burchett



<u>London Eye</u>: Jack Bridger Oliver Champion Vice - Josh Porter



Buckingham Palace:
Alfie Karip
Naomi Oakley
Vice - Matty Stevens



This Week's House Points:



Big Ben 118



London Eye 132



Buckingham Palace 181

This week's winner is:

BUCKINGHAM PALACE!

School Council Reps:

The following children have been voted in by their classes to be this year's school council representatives:

Year 1 Isobel & Liam

Year 2 Jessica

Year 3 Jocelyn

Year 4 Boyd

Year 5 Lottie

Year 6 Matty

The chairperson is Jessica (Year 6) who was chosen by staff. All school councillors will be given a special badge to wear.

Attendance

The National target for attendance is 96.1%. Our school target is 97% and our attendance percentages for this school year to date are:

Present 96.9% Authorised absences 3.0% Unauthorised absences 0.2%

Class Attendance Figures

for this week are:

Oak Class100%Beech Class96.4%Willow Class93.8%Sycamore Class96.3%

The attendance award goes to...

Oak class!



Top Table winner:

GREECE (5 points)

Cassidy Peterson

Megan Sowden

Mason Dain

Molly Purdie

Alfie Karip

Kye Spriggs-Morgan



Diner of the Week:

Ashten Greenwood

Chiddingly Stars of the Week are:



Cameron (Oak) - for being so kind and polite.

Henry and Carter (Beech) - for excellent subtraction skills - great effort!

Finley and Jocelyn (Willow) - for fantastic writing of instructions.

Lilian (Sycamore) - for solving problems involving addition and multiplication.

Freya, Kye and Hadyn (Sycamore) - for writing a text to evoke an emotion or feeling in the reader.

William (Sycamore) - for his imaginative well written scene from Varjak Paw.

Well done everyone!



Dates for your diary 2014/15

September

28th Football Match v East Hoathly

October

23rd End of Term 1 2nd INSET DAY

3rd Start of Term 2 for pupils 16th Harvest Festival, 9.25am

21st British Values Day

23rd End of Term 1 Celebration, 2.30pm

November

2nd INSET DAY

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

<u>December</u>

9th New Parents Open Day, 6-7pm 17th Christmas Production, 6.30pm

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

<u>April</u>

20th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

<u>May</u>

25th Awe & Wonder Celebration, 2.30pm

27th INSET DAY

<u>June</u>

14th Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

<u>July</u>

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



Learning Powers

We encourage pupils to reflect on their learning and have seven learning powers in our school. These are represented on the weekly achievement certificates.



Busy Bees - like to work as part of a team to get things done!



Curious Cats - like to find things out, try to get to the bottom of things and find out what is really going on. They like to ask 'why?'



Outstanding Owls - have a toolkit of strategies they use for different situations and they take time out to think about them.



Changing Chameleons - know they can get better at learning over time. They believe that through effort their minds can get bigger and stronger.



Unique Unicorns_- like to look at things in different ways, to find another angle.



Stretching Spiders - like to look for connections between their learning.



Tough Turtle - they never give up and keep trying.

Term Two School Clubs

We are hoping to offer two new after school clubs in Term two, depending on take-up. If you are interested in either club, please complete the attached reply slip and return to Mrs Tayed or the school office. These clubs will only run if there is sufficient take-up so initially we require an idea of numbers.

Bollywood Dance Workshops

K'z Dance Entertainment specialises in providing quality and affordable Bollywood dance and fitness. Children will learn a variety of dances, working towards a mini dance performance. Further details and cost per session will be advised.



Karate Club

The SAMA Organisation has been established since 1978 and teaches martial arts in many schools. Karate Club will cost approximately £4 per session.



The Amazing Adventures of Librarian Lil

Sunday 4th October at 2.30pm, Chiddingly Village Hall, tickets £8.

Visit www.chiddinglyfestival.co.uk to book or phone 01825 872401.



"Librarian Lil has worked in the Library for forty five years. She is old, tired and bored with her life...but you can't judge a book by its cover. For once the pages start to rustle, Lil is sucked into a whirlwind of words where tales of bravery become reality and every day sees a new adventure.

Through books she is transported to other worlds, performing great feats of derring-do and winning the hearts of princes and audiences alike. The show is full of humour and poignancy told through visual inventiveness, puppetry, mask, dance and song. It will excite the imagination as we explore and promote the wonderful world of books and a love of reading."



Reply Slip - Term Two School Clubs	
Child's nameis interested in finding out more about the follow	
Bollywood Dance Workshop	
Karate Club	
Signed	
Please return completed slip to Mrs Tayed in Oak	class or the school office, thank you.