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NEWSLETTER 8
Friday 4th November 2016

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

Interesting, Useful and Unusual Words

Every week there will be an interesting, useful but unusual word in our newsletter for the whole community to learn.

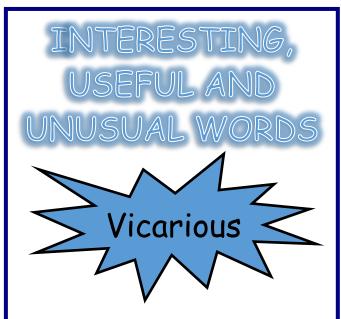
Mr Procter and Miss Lewis will select words each week. Pupils will then be asked in Friday's assembly what the word means and to put it into a sentence to show they have understood the meaning. This is to help build up our pupils' vocabulary throughout the year. Please see this week's below.

Breakfast Club

Unfortunately, we have not had enough interest for Breakfast Club on **Fridays**. In order for it to cover costs we need at least four pupils to attend.

As we have not had enough interest for Fridays, it will no longer be running this day. The last session on a Friday will be 11th November.

Breakfast Club will continue to run from Monday to Thursday every week.



Taking the place of another person or thing; acting or serving as a substitute.



<u>Tuesday Clubs — Sewing and</u> Netball

Please accept our apologies as all teachers have a maths moderation on **Tuesday 8th November** after school and therefore Sewing and Netball club are not on. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.



Bags 2 School

A big thank you to all those who donated clothes to the Bags 2 School today.

The next collection will be 16th March 2017.



Attendance Letters

Thank you for the feedback regarding the attendance letters sent out at the end of last term and we will reflect on the wording of some of these generic attendance letters. The purpose of these letters is to share information about children's attendance at school. We appreciate the support parents give to the school and look forward to continue working with the parents and community to ensure the highest level of education for the children.



Growth Mindset Success Story

In the late 1990s, Larry Page was struggling to sell his product to various businesses. Fortunately for him, no-one wanted to buy it, so he set up his own company, Google. He is an advocate of moonshot thinking, which in his words is 'having a healthy disregard for the impossible'.



<u>Christmas Fair and Jolly Jam</u> Jars

Our school Christmas Fair is on **Saturday 3rd December** in the school hall from
1.00pm to 4.00pm.

If you are interested in hiring a stall please speak to Mrs Champion.

Please may we also remind you to fill your Jolly Jam Jars by the end of November, ready for the Christmas Fair.



Car Park Reminder

Please try to park in the car park and field whenever possible, instead of parking outside the school on the verges.

Remembrance Service

We will be having a remembrance service at 9.25am on Friday 11th November.

All parents are invited to this service.

We would also welcome parents to volunteer in helping us walk KS2 children to the church at 10.15am.

Please let Miss Lewis know if you are available to help.

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this year so far is 96.4%

This week's attendance:

Oak - 95.3%

Beech - 99.3%

Willow - 98.7%

Sycamore - 97.7%

Well done to **Beech** for having the highest attendance this week!

Skip 2B Fit

On Tuesday we enjoyed a visit to school from John of Skip 2B Fit. Each class had a workshop where they were given a challenge to beat their score of skips in 2 minutes using the motivational app, 'Skip2BFit', and the special skip counters on their ropes. Everyone loved trying to beat their scores and even the staff were challenged to join in!

Congratulations to Mrs Ursell for being the winning staff member and to all the children for taking part so well.

Skipping ropes are still available to buy in the school office for £5.00.

Please find a case study from Skip 2B Fit attached to this newsletter.



Learning Powers Certificate

On <u>Friday 11th November</u> in our celebration assembly at 9.25am the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Oak - Noah Greenwood

Beech - William Kneller

Willow - Harvey Eaton

Sycamore - Summer Messum

Oak Class New Playhouse

The children in Oak class are very excited by the arrival of their new playhouse. If anyone would like to volunteer to paint it, we would be very grateful.

A huge thank you to Mr Coleman who gave up many hours to build it for us so well.



India Day

On the 20th October Chiddingly and East Hoathly Schools celebrated their first International Day with a focus on India. We enjoyed many activities in our classes, learning about the country and widening our experience of other cultures. We were very grateful to Mrs Fox who visited us and shared her experiences and photos from her charity visit to India. All of us learnt about how life in India is very different and enjoyed the interesting talk.

Activities in classes were really hands on, with food tasting, observing Indian artefacts, painting gods and goddesses and Rangoli Patterns.

In the afternoon, each class had so much fun learning Bollywood Dance routines with the 'Bollywood Belles'. We really enjoyed performing these to the parents and carers in the special assembly at the end of the day.

Many thanks also to all the parents who brought in items from home to support the learning.

Well done everyone for a fantastic last day of term!







<u>Chiddingly Stars of the Week</u> are:



Chloe Coleman (Willow) - For the hard work that went into her Ancient Greece home learning project.

Jasmine Sowden (Willow) - For an excellent effort about learning to use a range of conjunctions. Well done Jasmine!

Freya McGowan and Archie Plummer (Oak) - For fantastic shape work creating patterns.

Hollie Henigan and Grace Greenwood (Willow) - For creating Ancient Greek temples by neatly and carefully drawing 2D shapes.

Amber Richards-Forsey (Beech) - For effectively counting in different steps. Great effort and determination Amber!

Mya Pitt (Oak) - For the effort and hard work she put into writing a champion sentence with finger spaces. Well done Mya!

Kalian Russell (Oak) - For a great effort when sounding out new words. Well done Kalian!

Archie Stonestreet (Oak) - For working hard to sound out words in his Rama and Sita writing.



Guitar Lessons

You may be aware that our guitar teacher, Stuart Bligh, held an assembly last term to see if any children were interested in guitar lessons. If your child is interested in guitar lessons please email Stuart at stuart@the-big-blue.com or call him on 07958 971801 to arrange this directly with him.



Coats

Please remember that as it is getting colder now, your child will need to have a school jumper and a winter coat in school.

Christmas Lunch Order Slip

Your child/ren should have received a menu and order slip for our Christmas meal in their book bags (there are also copies attached to this newsletter).

Please make sure you return this slip to the school office before **Friday 18th November**. The school cook needs to order in the food for our Christmas lunch on 9th December, so it is important she has the orders in time.

This Week's House Points:



Big Ben 99



London Eye 83



Buckingham Palace 108

This week's winner is:

Buckingham Palace

Diner of the Week:



Jimmy Tame

British Values Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is

Vinnie-Ray Hallett



Top Table winners:

Amy Farrell, Helbert Stevens, Mason Hinder, Neo Vince, Edward Champion and Kai Hibbart

Dates for your diary 2016/2017

November 2016

7th — PFCS AGM and meeting at 7.30pm

11th — Remembrance Day Service at 9.25am

14th to 18th — Anti-bullying week

16th — Open Day for new parents from 1.30 to 2.30pm

18th — School Nurse screening tests for Year R & 6

22nd — Parent Forum 9.00 to 9.25am

22nd & 24th — Parent Consultation Evening 4.00 to 6.00pm

28th — Scholastic Book Fair

30th — Jack and the Beanstalk
Pantomime

December 2016

3rd — Christmas Fair

6th — Open Day for new parents from 6.00 to 7.00pm

9th — Christmas dinner

15th — Christmas production at 6.30pm (Dress rehearsal on 13th at 2.00pm)

21st — Last day of term

January 2017

3rd — New term begins

18th — Maths Day

24th - Parent Forum 9.00 to 9.25am

March 2017

2nd — Book Day

14th — Parent Forum 9.00 to 9.25am

16th — Bags 2 School collection

(morning)

20th & 22nd — Parent Consultation Evening 4.00 to 6.00pm

31st — Easter Service at 2.00pm

May 2017

3rd — Parent Forum 9.00 to 9.25am

15th — Enterprise week

24th — Awe and Wonder day at 2.30pm

June 2017

5th — INSET day

13th — Parent Forum 9.00 to 9.25am

29th — Table Tennis Tournament at 12.30pm

July 2017

6th — Sports Day at 9.30am

7th — School reports

10th & 14th — Parent Consultation

Evening 4.00 to 6.00pm (to discuss reports only)

14th — Summer Production at 2pm and 6.30pm (dress rehearsal 12th July at 2.00pm)

20th — Leavers' Service at 2.00pm

21st — INSET day

24th — Ground Force Day

Your recipe for success

Raising achievement

Increasing pupil's determination to succeed.



Contact Details



What did you want to do?

Our children come to us with levels of attainment which are well below the national averages. We wanted to provide our pupils with a way to physically prove that determination would lead to success and therefore experience the benefits of intrinsic reward – the "Yes" feeling. This provides the motivation for them to accelerate their progress in academic subjects too. We employed "Skip2BFit" to deliver a six week programme which would enable the children to experience the "Yes feeling" when they achieved their skipping targets and then apply the skills they learnt (perseverance, concentration, setting themselves aspirational targets etc) to their learning in the classroom.

What did you do?

Having carefully researched the contribution that the Skip2BFit programme made to pupil progress when I was an LA Adviser, I implemented the programme when I returned to Headship. Skip2bFit ran sessions with each class every week for six weeks and a final celebration assembly at the end of the six weeks. By giving children the opportunity to individually challenge themselves physically every week, they experience what All Faiths' calls the "Yes Feeling"! Experiencing that deep, warm feeling, of knowing that you have improved through your own effort, is highly motivating. Skipping is accessible to all and the sessions are very active - there simply isn't any time to worry about how well, or otherwise, anyone else is doing or if you are being "judged", therefore there are no self-esteem issues. The children concentrate on learning a skill (with a highly enthusiastic and encouraging role model) which can be practiced in private – the recipe ensures success for every individual.



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Once a child has experienced the thrill of succeeding, it is easy to transfer that feeling to learning which they find challenging in the classroom. Adults working with the children refer to the success they had whenever children are feeling hesitant. Circle times and discussions were focused on "how" and "why" they have been successful when skipping – effort, perseverance concentration etc. The end result is the "reward" - the "Yes Feeling"! Therefore, whenever a child doesn't feel confident about their learning, they know that by applying the same effort, the "Yes Feeling" can result. They are motivated to "have a go". Intrinsic motivation is the key to success and that's exactly what the Skip2BFit programme engenders

What difference has this made?

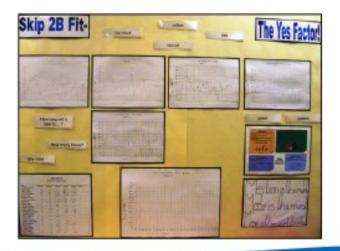
Pupils' attitude to learning has improved because they have learnt that determination leads to success which provides them with intrinsic reward — a wonderful feeling! They very much enjoy all the aspects of the programme, are keen to participate and transfer their improved social and emotional skills to their academic work. We have seen progress and attainment levels at our school improve year on year. Last year the progress that they made between KS1 and KS2 put them in the top 2% nationally. As an integral part of a whole school improvement drive, Skip2BFit has helped to raise expectations and helped our pupils to be ambitious for success.

Do you have a specific example of a young person who has benefitted from participating in the project?

We receive many comments from our pupils about how the programme has benefited them; typical is "Now I know I can do anything if I work really hard".

Why did it work?

- Excellent delivery
- · Ability to build sound relationships with staff and pupils
- Encouragement of personal success, rather than competition between pupils, therefore, successfully enhancing self-esteem.



"The Skip2BFit programme is an excellent programme for engaging pupils of all ages and abilities in an enjoyable and engaging experience. John and the team use skipping to raise attainment, support with engagement and participation as well as offer many more benefits to the whole school from just one day's session. We are proud to be working with them and would recommend them to any school for any need."

Strate Copper Turns

Christmas Lunch - Order Slip	
My child: in Class: Oak Beech Willow Sycamore (please circle) would like the following Christmas lunch on 9 th December 2016: Traditional Roast Turkey Breast with Sausage Wrapped in Bacon and Sage & Onion Stuffing. Quorn Roast (v), with Sage & Onion Stuffing.	
Dessert	
Happy Face Christmas Log (ice cream log)	
Christmas Slice (sweet pastry filled with mincemeat, syrup and	coconut)
Mince Pie	
(dated)	
Please return the completed slip to the school office by Friday 18th November latest, thank you.	

