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INTERESTING, USEFUL AND UNUSUAL WORDS



equivoque

Definition of equivoque (noun) in English:

- 1) An expression capable of having more than one meaning; a pun.
- 2) The fact of having more than one meaning.

Straw

Oak class are looking for donations of straw. Please speak to Mrs Winchester if you are able to donate any.

Bag 2 School

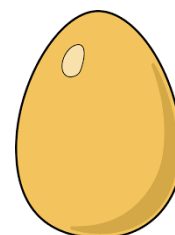
Please start collecting any unused or outgrown clothes you may have at home.



The PFCS have arranged another Bag2School pickup on **Thursday 16th March.**

Eggs

Our chickens continue to lay eggs. If you are interested in buying some fresh eggs, please check with the office. We are selling them for 20p per egg and £1.20 for half a dozen.



Tesco Project — Chiddingly School Pond

Thank you to those who voted for our Pond Project. Tesco have confirmed that we will receive £2000 towards improving our pond area, which is fantastic news!



Parent Forum

There is only one Parent Forum this term on **Tuesday 14th March at 9am**. It will have a SATs focus and will be led by Miss Hare and Mrs Woods. Other parents are welcome to attend if they would like to find out about the SATs but the focus is for parents of children in Years 2 and 6.

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Term 4 Topic

Oak Class

Oak's learning journey is 'Story Rhyme, Story Time!'. They will be looking at lots of the Julia Donaldson books and also learning about farm animals through the stories.



Term 4 Topic

Willow Class

Willow's topic is 'Reduce Reuse Recycle!'. They are learning about recycling and how they can help the environment. They are reading 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes as a class and doing writing based on it.



Term 4 Topic

Beech Class

Beech Class are learning about 'Monty's Marvellous Mission' - using the book 'Meerkat Mail'. Their class Meerkat, Monty, is going to be helping Beech Class learn about different continents and the kinds of animals that can be found in different places all over the world!



Also, Beech class are making bird feeders next week, so please bring in an empty, small plastic bottle for your child to use. Many thanks.

Term 4 Topic

Sycamore Class

Sycamore's topic this term is 'Evolution and Inheritance'. They will be learning about how animals and humans have adapted to their environments and the things inherited from our parents/families!



School Trips and Events

We aim to give parents as much notice as possible about school trips. Please see below for upcoming trips:

Sycamore Class

We have organised a trip to visit the Natural History Museum with Year 5 and 6 children from East Hoathly. The trip is on **Thursday 30th March** and the cost is **£20 per child**. This includes the coach trip to London and both workshops.



Payment to be made by: **Friday 3rd March**. Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.

Swimming for Sycamore and Willow

We have organised swimming lessons at Bede's Senior School, Upper Dicker on the following days:

Willow Class

Wednesday 26th April
Wednesday 3rd May
Wednesday 10th May
Wednesday 17th May

Sycamore Class

Wednesday 14th June
Wednesday 21st June
Wednesday 28th June
Wednesday 5th July

Currently, the cost is £2.25 per lesson (£9.00 in total) to help pay for hiring the pool and providing lifeguards and swimming teachers. We will send a letter out next term with more information.

Oak Class

Oak Class will be visiting Plumpton College on **Thursday 9th March**. A payment of £13.60 is requested to cover the cost of this trip.

Learning Powers Certificate

On **Friday 3rd March**, in our celebration assembly at **9.25am**, the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Oak - Pixie-Leigh Vine
Beech - Cameron Gibson
Willow - Thomas Messum
Sycamore - Mason Hinder

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this year so far is **95.82%**

This week's attendance:

Oak - 98.08%

Beech - 92.38%

Willow - 98.03%

Sycamore - 93.71%

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

Syria Day

On Monday 20th February, the Pioneer Federation celebrated their second International Day of the year with a focus on the country of Syria.

With so much attention being on Syria in the media at present, it was really lovely to learn about the country from its people. We were very lucky to have some visitors from the Syrian community, who spent the day with us.

Each class got to spend some time listening to Syrian music and also enjoyed listening to the Syrian children singing some of their traditional songs. They were so brave to stand up in front of all of us! The group then shared some Syrian dance moves and we all joined in with this!

Alongside this, each class took part in their own learning about different aspects of Syrian culture. Oak Class very much enjoyed tasting some middle eastern foods. Beech Class looked at Syrian Art and then created some of their own images. Willow Class made the school smell amazing by preparing and serving their own Syrian style salads and sharing them with the visitors to our end of day celebration. Sycamore Class really impressed the adults by joining in with the dancing and chatting so openly with the visiting children, sharing their own songs and some interesting moves! They then learnt about the Islamic religion and told us all about the 'Five Pillars of Islam' and created some posters about this.

It was wonderful to watch the enthusiasm and share the learning in the celebration assembly at the end of the day. Many thanks also to so many of our parents and carers for coming to share this with us.

Thanks also to Tom Serpell from the 'Village of Sanctuary' charity who inspired us to hold this day and used his contacts to arrange our visitors. Also thanks to Nadine Strasman from the Sussex Syrian group for her role in the organisation.

Mrs Winchester



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Chiddingly Stars of the Week are:



William Kneller, Albert Dallimore, Jack Cleaver, Neo Vince and Henry Champion (Beech) - For showing determination and drive in their mental maths challenge and achieving fantastic scores! All these boys showed excellent growth mindset last term when working on their mental maths recall at speed!

Megan Sowden (Willow) - For consistently working so hard and for showing all the traits of a Pioneer pupil with a growth mindset!

George Stonestreet (Willow) - For fantastic spelling progress and true determination last term.

Nicole Parsons (Willow) - For amazing drawings and not giving up!

Thomas Messum (Willow) - For an excellent home learning project about his new topic 'Reuse, Reduce, Recycle!' Great effort Thomas!

Jacinda Hinder (Oak) - Working so hard to recognise numbers to 10 out of order. So much perseverance!

Lucy Barnett (Oak) - For writing adjectives independently and helping Jacinda to learn her numbers to 10.

Archie Plummer (Oak) - Working hard to remember numbers to 10.

Noah Greenwood (Oak) - For working hard to improve his handwriting! Fantastic effort!

Jasmine Sowden (Willow) - For applying literacy knowledge to a tricky task!

Floyd Kaye (Beech) - For writing with beautiful handwriting and using sounds to spell correctly.

Amber Richards-Forsey (Beech) - For solving tricky maths problems involving money, and noticing, then correct errors.

Chloe Brown and Katie Coleman (Beech) - For excellent money based problem solving. Well done for your hard work!

Mya Pitt (Oak) - For using equipment to help her find correct answers in maths. She then explained her learning beautifully.

Archie Plummer (Oak) - For fantastic sentence writing with very clear letter formation. Great effort!

Seth Taylor (Sycamore) - For super problem solving involving place value — great determination!

Finley Ottaway (Willow) - For excellent problem solving skills, using a trial and improvement approach. Well done Fin!

Grace Greenwood, Sophia Mendes and Hollie Henigan (Willow) - For effectively solving subtraction word problems and showing excellent resilience to keep moving through the success criteria!

Growth Mindset

Tough Turtle of the Week

Katie Coleman

For persevering and working hard with money word problems.



If you've never failed, you've never tried anything new

This Week's House Points:



Big Ben 90



London Eye 92



Buckingham Palace 88

This week's winner is:

London Eye

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

If you shop in Sainsbury's, we would be grateful if you collect and donate as many vouchers as possible. Our collection box is in the school office.

Vouchers can be collected instore and online at Sainsbury's from 25th January until 2nd May.



Sainsbury's
Active Kids 2017
Eat well • Move well • Live well

British Values Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is:

Olivia O'Neill

For always being polite.



Top Table winner:

Spain (22 points)

Jorin

Kye

Michael

Harrison

The runner up this week is France with
18 points

Diner of the Week:

Molly Gingell

For always showing excellent behaviour
and table manners in the dining room.
She always follows the golden rules!



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs every weekday at 7.45am to 8.30am in the school hall, supervised by Miss Moore and Miss Waterman. We offer the children cereals, toast and a drink.

Children who attend Breakfast Club enjoy taking part in lots of different activities, including colouring, games and loads more!

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club, the cost is £5 per session.

Please ask Miss Chewter in the school office for a booking form.





Parents and Friends of



Sponsored Readathon

Dear Parents and Carers,

To coincide with World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March, we are holding a **Sponsored Readathon Week from 27th February – 3rd March.**

Children will be keeping a note of how many pages they read over the course of the week both in and out of school. Sponsors can pledge an amount per page or a total amount.

Monies raised will be spent to replace some old worn out laptops for the children's use in class.

Please support your children to gather sponsors during the weeks before and during Readathon Week. After the event, please collect the money and return in a sealed envelope with the sponsor form to the School Office by Friday 17th March.

We look forward to a fantastic event where the children are taking responsibility for raising funds for the school.

Thank you in advance.

PFCS

Parents and Friends of Chiddingly School



Dear Parent / Guardian

We are pleased to announce that the school has organised a textile collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds.

Bag2School are the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 they have now paid out over **£20 million**.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for our school, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 1,081,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. Please note bedding, curtains, and household linen cannot be accepted (refer to www.bag2school.com for details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more, you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from our school on **the morning of Thursday 16th March**. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the school playground by the Sports Hall and help us have a really good collection.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Yours faithfully

PJCS

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Dates for your diary 2016/2017

(Changes in italics)

February 2017

27th – Sponsored Readathon Week

March 2017

2nd – Book Day

6th – E-Safety performance (morning)

14th – Parent Forum 9.00 to 9.25am

16th – Bag 2 School collection
(morning)

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

31st – Easter Service at 2.00pm and
end of term

April 2017

18th – New term begins

May 2017

1st – May Bank Holiday

3rd – Parent Forum 9.00 to 9.25am

15th – Enterprise week

24th – Awe and Wonder day at 2.30pm

26th – End of term

June 2017

5th – INSET day

6th – New term begins

9th – Safety in Action (Year 5/6)

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 and
end of term

21st – INSET day

24th – Ground Force Day