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NEWSLETTER 9

Friday 10th November 2017

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

Remembrance Day Service

On Friday 10th November we held a Remembrance Day service. Thank you to all those who attended. It was nice to have time to reflect and think about those who have served our country in the armed forces.



This Week's Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Blake, Casey and Austin!



Christmas Lunch

Please note that there has been a change of date for Christmas lunch. It will now be on Friday 15th December.



INTERESTING,
 USEFUL AND
 UNUSUAL WORDS



Definition of *gallivant* (verb) in English:

1. Go around from one place to another in the pursuit of pleasure or entertainment.

Mexico Day

This week, we have enjoyed our latest International Day, learning about Mexico. Oak and Beech Classes joined together and Willow and Sycamore also worked together to learn about different aspects of life and culture in Mexico.

During the day, the younger children made traditional Mexican paper flower art and decorated their own sombreros and ponchos. They also used Google Earth to find Mexico and talk about what the weather might be like there by looking at the land. Alongside this, there were a selection of Mexican foods for the children to taste and then describe. There were lots of different opinions on which was the tastiest!

In Key Stage Two, the groups carried out work about the Day of the Dead Celebration and designed some pieces of art. They also developed their culinary skills by making their own guacamole and salsa which they ate with Nachos! Factfiles were also completed following research online.

It was great to see the learning that took place during the day and good to listen to the children sharing their opinions on the different activities that they tried.

"I loved making the giant Mexico flag with the paper," said Sienna Rose.

"I really liked trying the foods. I loved the Mango and the two sauces but I didn't like refried beans. The inside tasted weird!"



Apple Pressing

Before Half Term, Oak Class went up to the field with Mrs Felstead and collected lots of apples that had fallen from our apple trees. Mrs Felstead kindly took our apples to be pressed into apple juice and then returned this week with our own juice for us to try!

The children really enjoyed looking at the photos of what had happened to the apples to make the juice and then tasting the juice afterwards. It was very popular and everyone loved it!

Many thanks to Mrs Felstead for organising this for us.



Forest School

Willow class made rangoli patterns, inspired by their topic of 'Festivals of Light'. They also took inspiration from Andy Goldsworthy's use of natural materials to create art.



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St Mary's Partnership News



All staff have been sharing information and resources linked for topics and events.

There are discussions for how pupils can link in the future and these are being considered/explored.

This Week's House Points:



Big Ben 25



London Eye 47



Buckingham Palace 80

This week's winners are:

Buckingham Palace

Top Table winner:

Algeria (24 points)

Amy F

Finley

Megan

Grace

Sebastian

Conner

The runner up this week is Wales with 22 points

Diner of the Week:

Chloe Coleman

For always being polite, showing good table manners and following all the golden rules!



Learning Powers Certificate

On Friday 17th November at 9.25am the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Oak - Holly Richards-Forsej

Beech - Skyler Gribble

Willow - Sophia Mendes

Sycamore - Ashten Greenwood

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Christmas Lunch - Order Slip



My child:
 in Class: Oak Beech Willow Sycamore (please circle)
 would like the following Christmas lunch on 15th December 2017:

Succulent farm assured roast turkey with sage and onion stuffing

Quorn Roast (v), with Sage & Onion Stuffing

Dessert

Crispy snow bar

Christmas shortbread biscuit

Fresh fruit/yoghurt

..... (signed) (dated)

Please return the completed slip to the school office by **Friday 17th November** latest, thank you.

Parent Forums

Term	Date	Content
2	22 nd November	Handwriting Policy Anti-Bullying Thrive
3	23 rd January	Attendance Policy Review Behaviour Policy Review Mindfulness
4	14 th March	Homework Policy Review and Evaluation SATs info for Y2 and Y6 parents
5	1 st May	Thrive Review Mindfulness Review inc Golden Mile
6	13 th June	Parentview Review SDP and plans for 18/19

Upcoming School Trips

Sycamore

We are excited to announce that this year we will be running a residential trip for children in Year 5/6 along with the children in East Hoathly 5/6 class to Blacklands Farm in East Grinstead from Monday 18th June to Friday 22nd June 2018.



The cost of the trip is £256 per child for the week and this includes all the activities and accommodation.

A letter with further details (including arranging payments in instalments) will be sent out before the end of Term 2, when the details have been finalised.

Willow

We have arranged for Willow class to go on an outdoor activity day at Walton Firs Activity Centre in Cobham. The activities include a range of team building tasks, maze challenges, climbing, adventure courses and caving.



The cost of this day would be between £25 and £30, depending on the number of children and the package we choose. Please make sure you have returned the letter (you should have received this last week) to the school office so that we can find out the exact numbers of children who are interested. This day is

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this year so far is **96.1%**.

This week's attendance:

Oak - 96.91%

Beech - 97.7%

Willow - 95.07%

Sycamore - 94.39%

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

We publish the weekly attendance figure for each class using a colour coded "traffic light" system:

100% - gold

96.5 to 99.9% - green

95 to 96.4% - amber

Less than 94.9% - red

Dates for your diary 2017/2018

November 2017

13th — Anti-bullying week

14th and 16th — Parent Consultation Meetings (4.00-6.00pm)

15th — Open Day for new parents at 1.30pm-2.30pm

17th — *Jolly Jumper Day and Children in Need*

20th — Sycamore class rehearsing for Big Sing

22nd — Parent Forum at 9.00am to 9.25am

25th — Christmas Fair at 1.00pm

28th — Aladdin pantomime in school hall (PM)

December 2017

5th — Open Day for new parents at 6.00-7.00pm

11th — Christmas Production dress rehearsal at 2.00pm

13th — Christmas Production at 2.00pm and 6.30pm

15th — Christmas lunch

January 2018

2nd — INSET day

18th — Maths Day

23rd — Parent Forum at 9.00am to 9.25am

February 2018

5th — Country of Focus week

9th — End of term celebrations at 2.30pm

March 2018

1st — Book Day

14th — Parent Forum at 9.00am to 9.25am

20th and 22nd — Parent Consultation Meetings (4-6pm)

29th — Easter Service at 2.00pm

May 2018

1st — Parent Forum at 9.00am to 9.25am

4th — Reception class vision and hearing tests

21st — Enterprise week

23rd — Awe & Wonder Day and celebration at 2.30pm

June 2018

4th — INSET day

13th — Parent Forum at 9.00am to 9.25am

29th — Table Tennis Tournament at 12.30pm at East Hoathly

July 2018

3rd — Sports Day at 9.30am & picnic at 12.00pm with parents

6th — Reports home to parents

9th — Parent Consultation Meetings (4-6pm) to discuss reports only

9th—Summer Production dress rehearsal at 2.00pm

11th — Summer Production at 2.00pm and 6.30pm

19th — Leavers Service at 2.00pm

20th — INSET day

21st — Ground Force Day in afternoon



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Thursday 9th November 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

National Anti-Bullying Week

Next week, 13-17th November is National Anti-Bullying Week. At Chiddingly and East Hoathly Schools we have planned to use this opportunity to increase children's awareness of this issue and ensure that all children, staff and parents are aware of how we deal with any problems that arise.

The theme for this week is 'All Different, All Equal', and so during the afternoons next week each class will be taking part in activities suitable for their age range, to promote this. Our schools have also decided on a school motto - 'Make a stand, lend a hand, SAY NO TO BULLYING'.

In addition to this, there will be workshops run by John Khan on behalf of East Sussex Anti-Bullying Team for Key Stage Two children. He will visit Chiddingly on Wednesday 15th in the afternoon and will hold a parent forum after school in the school hall.

The event will finish on **Thursday 16th November** with an assembly for parents and carers in **Chiddingly School Hall at 2.45pm**. The Pupil Governors will be sharing the Child-Friendly Anti-Bullying Policy before sending this home with all children. There will also be opportunities for each class to share what they have been learning about.

We hope that you will be able to join us for the assemblies at the end of the week and that you will find a few moments to talk through the Child Friendly Anti-Bullying Policy when your child brings it home, in case they ever need to deal with a situation.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's teacher.

Yours sincerely

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CHILDREN IN NEED

7th November 2017

Dear Parents,

The school's Pupil Governors have discussed ideas with their class and then decided in their meeting about how to raise money for Children in Need.

They would like to:

- Invite all children to collect as many copper coins as possible and bring them into school on **Friday 17th November** so that we can see how far around the hall they will stretch!
- ~~Hold a bake sale on **Friday 17th November** after school to sell cakes and raise money for Children in Need. Please bring in any cake donations in the morning, and the cakes will be sold after school on the playground (or in the hall depending on the weather!).~~

As Children in Need falls on the same day as our 'Jolly Jumper Day', this will be our focus for dressing up, but if your child would like to wear a spotty jumper, or spotted accessory, then that will be fine.

Thank you for your generosity.

Mrs Woods and the Pupil Governors

Please note that the Children in Need Bake Sale is now cancelled because there is a clash with the cake collection the week after next for the Christmas Fair.

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8th November 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

The School Christmas Fair is being held on Saturday 25th November (from 1pm). As part of the fair, we are holding the popular chocolate tombola stall.

On Friday 17th November there is to be a Jolly Jumper / Colourful Cardigan day held. Please can all pupils bring in a Christmas chocolate box in exchange for wearing such a jumper on this date.

Members of the PFCS will be at the school gates in the morning of the 17th to receive the chocolate so that the stall can be run.

We look forward to running a successful School Christmas Fair, and thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely

PFCS

Parents and Friends of Chiddingly School.



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Dear Parents and Carers

As part of the Schools Christmas Fair there will be a 'Adopt an Animal' stall.

We are asking for any unwanted soft animal toys or teddy bears, soft toys in good, clean condition.

We would be grateful if you could bring one or two or more to school by Monday 20th November.

Money raised from the Christmas Fair will be used at the school for the purchase of teaching equipment as required by teachers to benefit our children.

Recently, the Parents and Friends have raised funds to purchase new playground equipment, air conditioning for Sycamore class room, a new stage for performances and also paying for the pantomime which is visiting the school at the end of November.

Thank you in advance for your support. We look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fair.

Yours sincerely

P.F.C.S

Parents and Friends of Chiddingly School.

Please see your school for Christmas Dinner date

£2.10



Festive Menu

Choose a main meal...

Succulent Farm Assured Roast Turkey,
Sage & Onion Stuffing Ball & Gravy
Quorn Roast, Sage & Onion Stuffing Ball &
Gravy (V)

on the side...

Crispy Roast Potatoes & Sausage Wrapped in Bacon
Fresh Carrots
Garden Peas
Fresh Brussel Sprouts

for dessert...

Crispy Snow Bar
Christmas Shortbread Biscuit
Fresh Fruit / Yoghurt



To enjoy our festive-inspired day, please
contact your school


Chartwells
EAT LEARN LIVE

Bede's Drama Department invite you to a performance of Oliver!

Following on from the enormous success and sell out show of 'Into the Woods', Bede's are delighted to be heading back to the Devonshire Park Theatre in Eastbourne to stage the well-known classic, Oliver, by the legendary Lionel Bart.

The production will be staged by a team of experienced staff from our Performing Arts departments and will promise fantastic staging, wonderful costumes and, of course, a professional level of performance in music, dance and drama.

Performances are scheduled for:

Thursday 1st March at 2.30pm and 7.30pm

Friday 2nd March at 7.30pm

Saturday 3rd March at 2.30pm and 7.30pm

Tickets go on sale on Monday 4th October. Please phone the Devonshire Park Box office on 01323 412000 to book your tickets and take advantage of our school group rate.

The running time will be approximately 2 hours plus a 15 minute interval.