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NEWSLETTER 22

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School Closure

We would like to thank you for your support during the closure of the school over the last 2 days. We are so pleased to see the children back in school today. The reason for the closure was that we had a number of unavoidable problems with the boilers in the school. Temporary heaters were delivered on Monday afternoon to combat the issue and the temperatures were regularly checked in classrooms but once we knew that the situation was not being resolved and the second boiler failed on Tuesday, we were left with no choice but to close the school until we could guarantee that the temperature of the buildings would return to an acceptable level without the use of electric heaters.

The levels of oil in the boilers are checked on a weekly basis. When checked last week, there was plenty of oil left for a number of weeks. Police have reported that there has been oil theft in the local area and they could have targeted the school supply as an oil leak has been ruled out. You will now notice a number of deterrents (further fencing, secure padlocks and CCTV cameras) being installed over the coming weeks. In addition to these issues, a previously planned oil delivery was not able to reach the school due to the adverse weather conditions.

Once again, we thank you for your support. Roll on Spring!

Can we also ask those who live nearby to keep a special eye out and please report anything suspicious either direct to the school or phone 101.

Next Week's Birthdays

Happy Birthday to William Kneller on 4th March!



INTERESTING,

USEFUL AND UNUSUAL WORDS

Dignity - (noun)
The state or quality of being worthy of honour or respect.

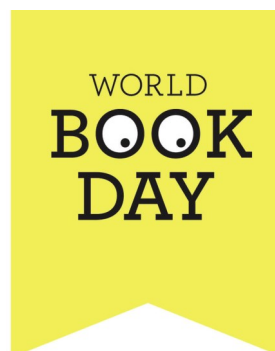


Online safety: useful information for children, parents and staff

The above named document has been added to the website for you to have a look at: <http://chiddingly.pioneerfederation.co.uk/e-safety-2/>

World Book Day

We will now be celebrating Book Day and dressing up as book characters on Tuesday 6th March.



Parent Forums

Term	Date	Content
4	14th March	Homework Policy Review and Evaluation Parent views SATs info for Year 2 and Year 6 parents
5	1st May	Thrive Review Mindfulness Review inc Golden Mile
6	13th June	Parentview Review SDP and plans for 18/19

St Mary's Partnership News



Please remember that the consultation process ends on **Friday 23rd March 2018**.

The federation meetings have all taken place at all three schools. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Learning Powers Certificate

On **Friday 9th March** at 9.25am the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Oak - Jamie Russell

Beech - Vinnie-Ray Hallett

Willow - Noah Taylor

Sycamore - Ruby Stonestreet

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this year so far is **95.1%**.

This week's attendance:

Oak - **96.08%**

Beech - **91.38%**

Willow - **91.09%**

Sycamore - **87.5%**

Well done to **Oak** 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

Year 5/6 Swimming Gala — Ringmer School

On Monday 26th February, the Pioneer Federation took two teams to the Ringmer Cluster Schools Swimming Gala. A team from Chiddingly and a team from East Hoathly competed against each other and four other schools in our local area.

The swimmers from Year 5 & 6 competed in individual 25 Metre swims, individual 75 Metre swims and team relays of 75 and 100 metres, using different swimming techniques. The teams were split into two heats and then then the races were timed and put into fastest order. These scores were then added together to work out the winning team.

Our team of swimmers showed an exceptional level of sportsmanship cheering on their team mates, swimmers from East Hoathly and other swimmers in the pool. They also showed how they have developed their growth mind sets in trying something new and giving their best efforts. As a school and team this is the first swimming gala many of them have ever attended.

As a team Chiddingly came 3rd and the pupils have a new found interest in swimming competitively. As a teacher on pool side I was so proud of how our children stepped up to the competition and thankful to our parents for supporting us with loud cheers and providing travel arrangements which allowed the children to take part!

Well Done Team!

Miss Denney



International Week — China

Kung Hei Fat Choi! Happy New Year! Last week we enjoyed learning all about China in our afternoon sessions. This was linked to the Chinese New Year celebrations.

Each class has taken part in a range of learning, linked to China. Throughout the school, children have been preparing and tasting Chinese foods. Sycamore Class created some very tasty vegetable spring rolls that they shared with their parents and teachers.

There was lots of Geography taking place, learning about where China is located. Willow class learnt how to write Chinese symbols and presented their work beautifully, as well as learning about the giving of red envelopes with money as a New Year gift.

As 2018 is the 'Year of the Dog', Beech Class designed and created their own dog masks. Oak Class enjoyed using 'Google Translate' to learn how to say some Chinese words as well as making their own Chinese Lanterns and writing detailed instructions to explain how to do this.

Many thanks to all of the staff for planning such exciting activities for the children and to all of the parents and carers for coming into our celebration of work at the end of the day.



Dates for your diary 2017/2018

March 2018

14th — Parent Forum at 9.00am to
9.25am

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

29th — Easter Service at 2.00pm

29th — Last day of term

April 2018

16th — Term 5 begins

May 2018

1st — Parent Forum at 9.00am to
9.25am

4th — Reception class vision and
hearing tests

7th — May Bank Holiday

21st — Enterprise week

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

25th — Last day of term

June 2018

4th — INSET day

5th — Term 6 begins

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 — Last day of term and Leavers
Service at 2.00pm

20th — INSET day

21st — Ground Force Day in afternoon

Bag2School

There will be a Bag2School collection on
Thursday 15th March in the morning.



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— Meals —
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ALL EARS



HAVE YOUR SAY

12th March – 25th March 2018

COMPLETE OUR SURVEY

For your chance to win

**A FAMILY TICKET TO DRUSILLAS,
KNOCKHATCH OR DIGGERLAND!**

**GO TO WWW.LOVESCHOOLMEALS.CO.UK/WAE
TO TAKE THE SURVEY**