

NEWSLETTER 1 Term 5 Friday 23rd April 2021



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

## Dear Chiddingly families,

What a wonderful first week back! It has been so lovely to welcome the children after the Easter break with a 'spring' in their step! The children have been doing lots of outdoor learning and the new Forest School area has been a huge hit with them.

A special mention to the newest four-legged member of the Chiddingly team, Lulu, who the children have been talking about all week! There was great excitement on her first Chiddingly field walk at lunchtime.

We are really looking forward to an exciting summer term of learning.

Mrs Mackerness, Beech Class Teacher

## Positive Quote of the Week

Our positive quote of the week is from 'The Phantom Tolbooth, by Norton Juster'

"You must never feel badly about making mistakes... as long as you take the trouble to learn from them. For you often learn more by being wrong for the right reasons than you do by being right for the wrong reasons."

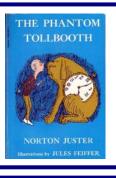
## Diners of the Week

The Diners of the Week this week are Alicia and Grace! Well done to you both!

The Top Table for this week is Stephen Sweetcorn (Penelope, Sophia and McKenzie) from the first sitting and Winnie Watermelon (Melisa, Lacey, Sebastian and Verity) from the second sitting.Well done to you all!



If you need the newsletter or other school letters to be in a different format, please speak to Mrs Baitup in the school office. If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Baitup.



# <u>Oak</u>

This week Oak class have had a very exciting visitor. A princess has been sleeping in the classroom! We have written letters to her to find out about who she is and what she is like, her name is Princess Pearl and she had been sleeping in the classroom because she got lost and couldn't find her way home. Oak class have made necklaces for her and made wanted posters asking for her friends and family to help her find her way home. We found out this morning that our posters worked! Pearl's friend Sparky came to help her find her way home.



# <u>Beech</u>

Beech had an exciting start to the new term. Mrs Waterman's son Jack kindly bought his tractor in for us to write fantastic adjectives. We then painted it. Thank you Jack!



## Willow

Willow Class have had a brilliant start to term 5! They have started to explore the story of Daedalus and Icarus in literacy and in guided reading. The children have started to learn a play script of the story focusing on changing their voices and using expression to show how their character is feeling. They are looking forward to practising next week then performing it on stage!



## **Sycamore**

Sycamore Class finished last term off by being creative in Art and designing their own amalgamations of creatures and creating habitats for them using collage techniques. This term they are getting into their new topic of Codebreakers, applying for jobs at Mi5 and reading about the adventures of Alex Rider in Anthony Horowitz's 'Stormbreaker' book.





### PFCS News

### <u>Break the Rules Day - Thursday 1st April</u>

The PFCS would like to say THANK YOU to all children and staff who broke the rules on Thursday 1st April and made donations for Break the Rules Day. Altogether you helped raise £120.80. The money raised will go towards purchasing items for Forest School.

### Bags 2 School Collection / Spring Clear Out - Thursday 13th May

If your having a clear out over the Easter break the PFCS would love any new/unwanted gifts or items which can be used in helping to raise funds for us.

The PFCS have organised the next clothing collection for Thursday 13th May. This collection there will not be bags sent out so you will need to use black bin liners please. If you are having a clear out or sort through over the Easter break and have bags already then please speak to Amy and she will take them from you and will store until the collection date.

Bags 2 School currently take: Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing, Paired shoes (tied together or elastic around), Handbags, Hats, Bags, Scarves and ties, Jewellery, Lingerie, Socks, Belts, Soft Toys, Household Linen, Household Curtains, Household Towels and Household Bedding (bed sheets, pillowcases and duvet covers).

### 2nd Hand Uniform Sale

The PFCS have a small amount of donated uniform which is in good condition to be worn again. If your child has outgrown their current uniform and you're in need of larger sizes, then please speak with Jade or Amy or leave a message with Mrs Baitup in the office.

A list of uniform has been made which we currently have for sale, so please leave your request and when collecting please leave a donation towards the PFCS fundraising.

### Ways to Support the PFCS while shopping online.

### EasyFundraising

Double Donation Week is back! Raise TWICE AS MUCH for Chiddingly School Association when you shop online using #easyfundraising. John Lewis & Partners, Etsy, Groupon and more are doubling donations until 25th April. Right now, every donation makes a difference! Shop here: <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/double-donation-week?utm\_campaign=raise-</u>

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### Amazon Smile

As well as shopping with EasyFundraising to earn money for the PFCS, we have also registered with Amazon Smile. Register by using the link and start raising even more while shopping online: <u>https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1072129-0</u>

### Other ways to support PFCS

#### Recycle4Charity

At the school office we have a collection box for all ink cartridges. Please bring in any used or unused ink cartridges and place in the collection box. We arrange a collection several times a year.

### **Stamptastic**

Stamptastic is the fastest way to name your kids belongings. Step away from the ironing board and put that needle and thread away. Stamp instead with Stamptastic. Stamptastic's magic ink withholds 50 washes on care labels without fading. Customise your Personalised Name Stamps online <u>https://stamptastic.co.uk/collections/named-stamp/products/standard-name-stamp</u>. Don't forget to use your PTA code (BN86HN) or just use this link <u>https://stamptastic.co.uk/pages/school-welcome#a\_aid=5d1ba6f83b081</u> to earn commission for the PFCS.

### Ways to support the Pioneer Federation

## Crisp Packet Recycling - Terracycle

Mr Herdman the school caretaker has an ongoing collection of crisp packets to help raise funds for the federation. Please bring crisp packets into school and pass to a member of staff or at the office. The collection box is situated in the hall.

### Battery Recycling

There is also a battery recycling point located in the hall. Currently accepting AA, AAA, C and D batteries.







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# <u>Thank you's</u>

A huge thank you to all the members of staff who helped and did some work at the school over the holidays. Miss Webb, Miss Waterman and Mr Coleman helped with Forest School. Miss Boswell, Mr Procter, Mrs Vile, Miss Waterman and Miss King helped reorganise the mezzanine, sports cupboard and the play store. Miss Waterman, along with Mr and Mrs Samson did lots of gardening! Mr Herdman was busy painting the School Office. And a big thank you to everyone who came in to change displays and tidy the school up!

Check out the changes to our Forest School area! It looks amazing!



## Learning Powers

Our Learning Powers are Frances Wood-Evans in Oak, Rowan Hylands in Beech, Freya McGowan in Willow and Callum Ottaway in Sycamore. Well done to you all!



# First week back Learning Powers

Our Learning Powers for after half term are in Oak, Lilly Horton in Beech, Ethan Hubbard in Willow and Hope Banfield-Giggs in Sycamore! Your child will be sent home with their certificate next week.



# Welcome to Lulu!

A big warm welcome to Lulu, our school dog! As you can see below, the children have been so excited to meet her. There are so many benefits to having an animal in school and we have already noticed the excitement in the children when they know Lulu is visiting. It has been lovely to see the children with a real sense of responsibility when they have taken her on walks. Everyone will get an opportunity to take the dog for a walk with Mrs Vile and the children will be told about the rota in the coming weeks.



# Well done to our March Challenge Readers!

A very well done to Maxwell and Charlotte Robins who took part in the March Reading challenge! They have both received a WHSmith gift voucher to spend. As you can

see, they did lots of reading in some very unusual places!



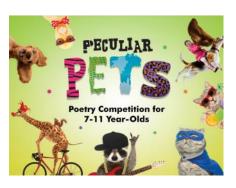




# Peculiar Pets competition

Join in with the Peculiar Pets competition! This is a poetry writing activity for 7-11 year olds! Peculiar Pets is a 'Young Writers' competition open to 7-11 year olds.

Pupils can create animal mash-ups, be inspired by their perfect pet or make their own awesome animal to write their poem about. It's a great theme for sense, narrative or riddle poems as well as acrostics and rhymes. It also showcases poetic techniques such as imagery and alliteration.



Let us know if you would like to take part and we will send you an entry form! There are lots of exciting prizes to be won!

# We have tadpoles!

Mrs Cousens captured these photos of the children looking at tad-

poles! They were very excited! Can you spot one in the last photo?







# Dates For Your Diary!

<u>May 2021</u>

3<sup>rd</sup> Bank Holiday w/c 3rd Parent Consultations 11<sup>th</sup> FGB meeting 26<sup>th</sup> Pioneer day 28<sup>th</sup> – Sports day TBC 28<sup>th</sup> –Last day of term 5

<u>June 2021</u> 7<sup>th</sup>- First day of term 6

# July 2021

8<sup>th</sup> Summer production 2pm and 6.30pm
12<sup>th</sup>,13<sup>th</sup>,14<sup>th</sup> Residential TBC
14<sup>th</sup> FGB meeting
16<sup>th</sup> Reports out to parents
18<sup>th</sup> Groundforce day
20<sup>th</sup> Parent consultations-reports only
22<sup>nd</sup> End of term 6 and Leavers' service
23<sup>rd</sup> Inset Day

