

Dear Chiddingly Families,

What a wonderful term full of learning, creativity and festive cheer. In these final weeks we have had Oak and Beech Class preparing for their Nativity performances, whilst Willow and Sycamore dazzled with their singing down at the village Christmas fair last Friday.

As the term and year draws to a close it is a pleasure to reflect on the wonderful past year and the growth of our school community and the progress made. It has been a pleasure and from all the staff we would like to wish you a restful and merry break and we look forward to seeing you all in 2024. Mrs Vile

Reminders

- Please check the <u>uniform policy</u> and ensure your child wears correct school uniform. If they are dressed in PE kit they can wear trainers but otherwise it must be black shoes.
- Please remember to give a description of how your child is unwell when leaving a voicemail or email to advise us they will be off school.

Skills Builders (Next Two)

You are welcome to join us in our celebration assemblies on Fridays at 9.15am.

Friday 5th January

Oak — Daisy Beech — Grayson

Willow— Olivia Sycamore— Heidi

Friday 12th January

Oak— Harriet Beech— Darcy

Willow— Alex Sycamore— Grace

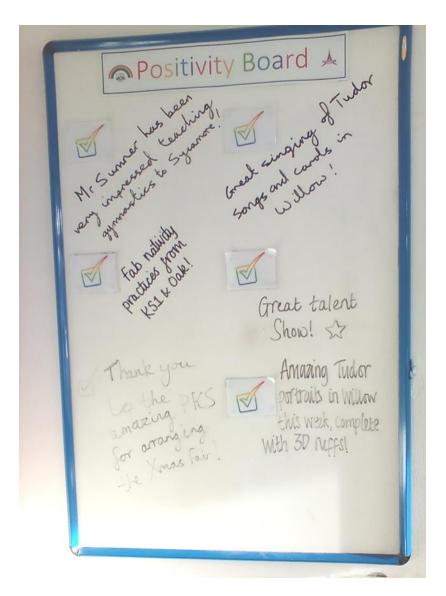
Skills Builders (Last Two Weeks)

Congratulations to the children below!



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

Positivity Board



Attendance

The Pioneer Federation goal is an average attendance rate of 97%, recognising that each school day provides opportunities for learning, as well as social and emotional development. It is noticeable when students miss school as it impacts on their progress.

Less than 94.9% - Red

95 to 96.4% - Amber

96.5 to 99.9% - Green

100% - Gold

Whole school this week: 95.05% Whole school this year: 94.17%

Oak: 83.33%

Beech: 98%

Willow: 95.16%

Sycamore: 95.48%

Well done, Beech!



Class Updates

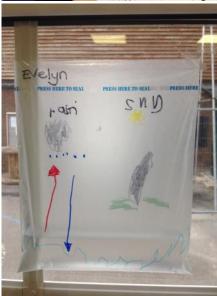
Oak

Oak have learnt all about birthday celebrations, playing party games, writing birthday party lists, making cards, making playdough 'cakes' and began exploring addition with birthday maths problems! As we approach Christmas we have been exploring how children all over the world celebrate Christmas, and sharing our own celebrations too, the excitement is certainly building! We have dedicated lots of time to our nativity practice, and hope you are all as excited as we are to share their first performance.



















Beech

Beech have been very busy learning the nativity and finding out about the Christmas story. We have been reading 'The Jolly Postman' and starting to write our own letters! They have also made their own alien Beegu characters from our class book, they loved bringing them to life.















Willow

Willow Class had a great time last week at Hever Castle and learning more about the Tudors. They spent some time walking round the gardens looking at all of the lovely Christmas lights as well as the plants and statues.

They then headed into the small maze before going into the castle, where they got to see even more Christmas decorations. There were so many Christmas trees! The staff shared lots of facts about the castle with the children and to their surprise Willow class shared some facts of their own (they were very

impressed!)











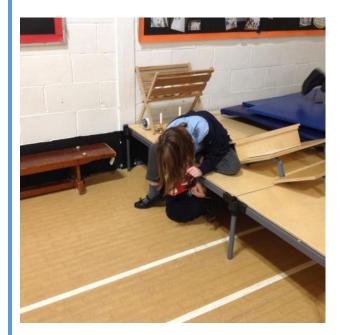






<u>Sycamore</u>

Sycamore have been investigating more in Science this week. They created their own periscopes and used these to 'spy' on others, linked to their World War II work.









Solar Panels

As you are already aware, we have had a few changes recently to our premises and one of the exciting changes is the installation of solar panels. These have now been added to our annex building and we are looking forward to having them in use next term.





Dates For Your Diary

December 2023

12th—KS1 and Reception Nativity (9.30am and 2pm)

13th—Christmas lunch

15th — Term 2 Ends

January 2024

2nd—INSET Day

3rd — Term 3 Starts

February 2024

9th — Term 3 Ends

19th — Term 4 Starts

March 2024

28th — Term 4 Ends

April 2024

15th — Term 5 Starts

May 2024

6th — Bank Holiday Monday

24th — Term 5 Ends

June 2024

3rd—INSET Day

4th — Term 6 Starts

July 2024

22nd — Term 6 Ends

23rd—INSET Day

PFCS events & dates

Friday 8th December

School Xmas Fair After school

January

Date TBC with 6 Bells - PFCS Quiz



Type of Club:

Christmas Holiday Camp

Activity:

A fun filled day with a variety of sports, competitions, dance, arts & crafts, movies, and festive fun!

Where:

Park Mead Primary School BN27 3QP Date:

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 18th, 19th, and 20th December 2023 3 Days

Time:

Breakfast Club: 07:45-08:45 Main Camp Day: 08:45-15:15 After Camp Club: 15:15-16:15 Year Group:

Reception - Year 6

Children from any primary
school welcome

Price:

Breakfast Club: £5

Main Camp Day: £15

After Camp Club: £5

Hot Chocolate Treat: £1







WEBINARS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR MENTAL HEALTH

FREE TO ANY
PARENT/CARER
LIVING IN
SUSSEX

- 19TH OCTOBER ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER (ADHD)
- 8TH NOVEMBER BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM AND RESILIENCE
- 13TH DECEMBER DEPRESSION
- 17TH JANUARY OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER (OCD)

Sussex CAMHS and Partner Organisations are offering a rolling programme of webinars for parents/carers who are supporting children and young people with their mental health

Each webinar will take place at 10am and 7pm and will run for 90-

SCAN HERE



WANT TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS?

Or visit:

https://ticketlab.co.uk/series/id/1081/S ussex-CAMHS-ParentCarer-Webinars#/

NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?

If you have any questions, please email: CAMHSParticipationTeam@spft.nhs.uk

Delivered by Sussex Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)







Are you a parent or carer?

Do you have any questions or want some advice, tips or ideas to help you support your child?

Come along to Park Mead for coffee, and an informal chat with Vickie who is a parent/carer practitioner from me & my mind.

Wednesday 8th Nov 9.15-10.45- Anxiety and Worry

Wednesday 13th March 9.15- 10.45- Sleep, food and mood

Wednesday 10th July 9.15 - 10.45- Transitions

For more information, please speak to Sian Leahy SENCO

Crib Service Christmas Eve 3pm -

Chiddingly Church warmly invite you to join us for the Crib Service on Christmas Eve at 3pm. Everyone is welcome so please invite family and friends. There is also a service on Christmas morning at 10pm, when the children can bring along one of their presents. We look forward to seeing you. Have a lovely Christmas. Sending you love, joy and peace this Christmas from Chiddingly Church

We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas break.





Is your child experiencing feelings of anxiety? Are you looking for information on how to help them? CUES is a training course for parent/carers to support their children with feelings of anxiety they are experiencing.



If this is something you would be interested in attending, please click on the link below or use the QR code for more information and to complete a short questionnaire about where and when you can attend.

Click here to answer the questions and register your interest or use QR code.



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For Kids 5-18

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Non-contact, fun activities which teach children basic ball skills, teamwork and foundations of rugby.

- · DBS-checked, qualified coaches
- · Held during 'quiet' sessions at the club
- · Demand-free, no pressure to participate
- Gentle exercise, adaptable activities, supported social interaction and lots of smiles

Launch Date: 20th August 1-2pm

Last Sunday Of Each Month From 1-2pm

Free Of Charge

If you think your child would benefit from these sessions and enjoy a low demand environment to learn new skills, please get in touch.

Please note, parents are required to attend sessions.



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