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Friday 9th December

Newsletter 13

Collective Worship Thought of the week: "We have advent calendars to countdown to Jesus' birth"





Growth Mindset Quote of the week:
"I couldn't do my maths but I am using
my growth mindset to persevere
and try harder."
Cherry Year 3



Celebrations of the week:



Diners of the week

Nursery - Bella Wren KS1 - Louie Medrow KS2 - Matilda Rushton

Star Book of the week

Lola House



Citizen of the Week

Stan Twiddy for always being polite and using his manners.



Learning Powers Certificate

We would like to invite **everyone** (parents, grandparents, carers, friends) to celebrate the learning from the week with us during our Friday celebration assemblies.

On <u>Friday 16th December</u> in our celebration assembly at **9.15am** the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Reception Class - Lexi Miller-Smith Year 1/2 - Luke Stacey
Year 3/4 - Poppy Ray Year 5/6 - Luke Williams







Dates for your diaries:

12th Dec - Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Production 2pm

14th Dec - Christmas Production 2pm & 6.30pm

21st Dec - Christingle Service 2pm

3rd Jan - Start of term 3

18th Jan - Maths Day

24th Jan - Parent Forum 9am

9th Feb - End of term celebration 2.30pm

2nd March - Book Day

15th March - Parent Forum 9am

21st Mar - Parent Consultation Evening 4pm-6pm

23rd Mar - Parent Consultation Evening 4pm-6pm

31st Mar - Easter Service 9.25am

2nd May - Parent Forum 9am

2nd May - School Nurse to see Reception Pupils (Vision and Hearing)

4th May - Swimming for Year 3/4

11th May - Swimming for Year 3/4

15th May - Enterprise Week

18th May - Swimming for Year 3/4

22nd May - Awe & Wonder Day - celebration 2.30pm

25th May - Swimming for Year 3/4

5th June - Inset Day

8th June - Swimming for Year 5/6

14th June - Parent Forum 9am

15th June - Swimming for Year 5/6

22nd June - Swimming for Year 5/6

29th June - Swimming for Year 5/6

4th July - Sports Day 9.30am & Picnic 12.00

7th July - Table Tennis Tournament at Chiddingly

7th July - Reports out to parents

10th July - Bikeability week for Year 6

10th July - Dress Rehearsal for Summer Production 2pm

11th July - Summer Production 2pm & 6.30pm

14th July - Parent Consultation Evening 4pm-6pm to discuss reports only

20th July - Leavers Service

21st July - Inset Day

Any changes to the above diary will be in italics.



Just to remind all parents that Term 3 starts on Tuesday 3rd January 2017.

It is good practice to inform parents of the school attendance figures. We will be reporting this information in our newsletters.

Attendance

The national target for attendance is 96.1%.

Our school target is 97.0%.

Our attendance percentage for this school year to date is: 95.7%

Class Attendance Figures for last week:

 Year R
 89.3%

 Year 1/2
 91.8%

 Year 3/4
 92.9%

 Year 5/6
 97.9%

Forest School

In Forest School last week Year 1 and 2 went on a journey to find Stick man. They have been exploring the story of Stick man as part of their topic.

When they reached the woods on Thursday, they split into groups to find the right kind of sticks to make their very own stickman or stick lady!

Have a look at some of our creations!









Nursery News

Our letter sound this week: N, n Our number this week is: 4
This week we have been learning about the Christmas story. We have been to church to rehearse for the Nativity.

We have been practising how to hold our pens by drawing shapes like rectangles.

We have started doing lots of Christmas crafts too.





Home learning: What shapes can we see around us? e.g. What shape is the clock?

Dates for your diaries:

Dress rehearsal for 'The Sleepy Shepherd' 12th December 2pm Christmas Nativity 'The Sleepy Shepherd' 14th December 2pm Christingle service 21st December 2pm

> Thank you Nursery Staff

GROWTH MINDSET

Growth Mindset Success Story





Bethany Hamilton

Just over ten years ago, a 14ft shark bit off 13-year-old Bethany Hamilton's left arm, effectively ending her surfing career before it had really begun.

Not only was she brave enough to get back in the water only one month later, but the following year she won her first national title. She made her improbably comeback against all odds because of her faith, attitude and growth mindset.

FPTA News

School Staff link with FPTA

Miss Denney and Miss Purcell are the staff links for the FPTA. Please see them if you have any items to discuss about FPTA.

Winter Wonderland - Christmas Fete

Friday 9th December - Winter Wonderland Fete 3.15-6pm Village Hall

Mince Pie Run



Mr Procter and Mr Alan Brundle (Governor) took part in a sponsored 10 mile run on Sunday 4th December. Well done to both of them!

All the money they have raised will be going towards new equipment for the Pioneer Federation schools.

Thank you to all those who have made donations already. If you would still like to make a donation please see Mrs Wicks in the school office.

Interesting Word of the Week

Each week there will be an interesting, useful but unusual word for the community to get to know. We will select a word and provide a definition for it. Pupils will be asked by Miss Lewis and Mr Procter in Friday's assembly what the word is and what it means. They will ask them to put the word into a sentence to show they have understood the meaning. This is to help build up pupils vocabulary through the year.



This week's word is:



Discombobulate

Definition: To confuse or disconcert; upset; frustrate



Mrs Pattenden came to visit the staff and pupils at East Hoathly and Chiddingly last Thursday with baby Millie Isabelle.

Uckfield Late Night Shopping - Friday 2nd December



Well done to all the children involved in singing with the Federation Choir on Friday evening at the Late Night Shopping Event in Uckfield. The children sang beautifully with lots of smiles and thoroughly entertained the packed audience. All the staff were incredibly proud of the children's behaviour and voices. Well done!

If you would like to listen to the children sing, please visit

http://www.uckfieldfm.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/East-Hoathly-Chiddingly-Primary-Schools_02122016.mp3

School Christmas Dinner



The children and staff enjoyed the Christmas dinner on Thursday. School Governor, Mr Brundle also came along to eat dinner with the children. Thank you to the school cooks for a lovely lunch.

Christmas Events

Friday 9th December - Winter Wonderland Fete 3.15- 6pm Village Hall

Christmas Productions

Following feedback we have received, this year we are adapting our Christmas productions:

Nursery, Reception and Year 1 & 2 will be performing a Nativity play.

Dress Rehersal - Monday 12.12.16 at 2pm (K52 will attend)
Production - Wednesday 14.12.16 at 2pm

Year 3,4,5 & 6 will be performing a Carol Concert Dress Rehearsal - Monday 12.12.16 at 9.25am (KS1 will attend)

Carol Concert - Wednesday 14.12.16 at 6.30pm

Younger siblings are welcome to attend the dress rehersals. The FPTA will be at performances providing refreshements.