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17th March 2023 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy St Patrick's Day and Break A Rule Day! I think that the children have really enjoyed this day and the staff guessing too what rule children had broken! We have had a lovely end to the week after sharing the joy of our 'Good' Ofsted judgement and the report too. We know that we have aspects to improve and will work together in order to strive for better. Just to say once again, thank you to pupils, staff, Governors and parents in continuing to work hard and support all aspects of school life in order to make our school the best it can be for our children.

We hope that our families have a wonderful weekend!

Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy on our Governing Body for a Parent Governor.

School Governors make a positive contribution to children's education by offering supportive challenge to help raise standards and monitor resources effectively. School Governors work as a team and come from a wide variety of backgrounds to add value to school life by offering their skills, expertise and time.

We are looking for dedicated individuals who can offer their knowledge and expertise in one or more of these areas; finance, human resources, health and safety, communications or managing premises.

If you have a passion for improving the life chances of children and can offer supportive challenge to the leadership of our school to help us to fulfil our vision, please complete and return an application form.

A discussion with the Head teacher and/or Chair of Governors would be offered to any interested parent. **Closing date for nominations is 3pm on Friday 31st March 2023.**

We also have a Co-opted Governor Vacancy too which we advertised last week.

ParentPay

Could we please ask that balances are kept up to date on Parent Pay? We have had a recent finance audit and this is something they have picked up on. We should not be allowing debts to get so high. This is something we will be looking at stopping in the near future.

Please could Parents/carers please log on to Parent Pay and check your current balance and contact the school office, in the first instance, if you are having difficulties and we will do our best to help. Thank you.

Parking outside of school

Please look out for the double yellow lines along Oakfield Lane. The Police will be continuing to do spot checks and we would not want any of our families to receive a parking ticket!

Thank you to all of the parents choosing not to park where there are double yellow lines so that our families can cross safely.

We would ask parents not to stop, in the middle of the road, but park safely to allow children time to exit the vehicle. Thank you!

Attendance for w/b 13th March 2023

	Class	%
1 st Place	Year 5	98.7%
2 nd Place	Year 6	96.8%
3 rd Place	Year 2	95.8%
4 th Place	Year 3	92.7%
5 th Place	Year 1	88.5%
6 th Place	Nursery	81.93%
7 th Place	Year 4	79.5%
8 th Place	Reception	73.3%

Well done Year 5! Our target is 96%

Please see Tapestry for this week's Leaderboards

School Dinners


Chartwells will be introducing a new menu for after the Easter holidays which we will share next week. Children will continue to choose at the hatch on a daily basis and this is something that we will monitor as we have operated a band system in the past. There have been some supply issues and we are hoping that these will ease as the year progresses.


Moving forward, we would ask that parents either opt for a school dinner or packed lunch for the week. We are only able to offer that packed lunch children opt for 'Fishy Friday' each week as this is easier for us to monitor. Thank you for understanding.

Dates to the end of term and beyond...

Date	Event	Date	Event
W/B 20 th March	British Science Week	31 st March	Easter Singing Celebration 1.30pm (should finish just after 2.30pm)
20 th March	School Disco 3.15pm- 4.30pm	31 st March	Easter Singing Celebration 1.30pm (should finish just after 2.30pm)
21 st March	Year 6 Parents' SATs Meeting 3pm	31 st March	School closes for Easter holidays at 3pm and re-opens Monday 17 th April
22 nd March	Year 4 Parents' (rearranged) Multiplication Meeting 8am	1 st May 8 th May	Bank Holiday dates
22 nd March	Year 1 Parents' Phonics Information session 3pm	Week beginning 8 th May	Year 6 SATs Week
23 rd March	Year 1 Parents' Phonics Information session 8am	Week beginning 22 nd May	Year 2 SATs Week
28 th March	Reception walk and picnic	Friday 26 th May	School closes for half-term holidays and re-opens Tuesday 6 th June (Monday 5 th June school closed for teacher training)
28 th March	Year 2 Parents' SATs information session 2.30pm	Friday 26 th May	School closes for half-term holidays and
29 th March	Year 6 Parents' SATs Meeting 8am	Early June	Year 4 Multiplication Check
30 th March	Decorate an Egg Competition (more information on Tapestry)	Week beginning 12 th June	Year 1 Phonics Check

Top 3 interventions for preventing tooth decay

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Reduce the consumption of foods and drinks that contain sugars
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Brush teeth twice daily with fluoride toothpaste (1350-1500ppm), last thing at night and at least on one other occasion. After brushing, spit don't rinse
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Take your child to the dentist when the first tooth erupts, at about 6 months and then on a regular basis

Under 3s should use a smear of toothpaste

3 to 6 year olds should use a pea sized amount

Parents/carers should brush or supervise tooth brushing until their child is at least 7

Water bottles

Please remember that we ask children to bring water (not flavoured water or juice) in their water bottles. We also ask that water is provided for any child having a packed lunch.

This is to encourage good oral health.