

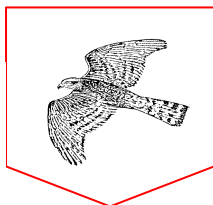
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Dear Parents,

I hope everyone received the envelope with targets and parent evening appointments this week - if you have not made an appointment please do contact your child's teacher. It is a great opportunity to be able to discuss how the children have settled into their new year group and the progress they have made in their learning since September. Exercise books will be available for you to look at a usual.

I am very excited to be able to announce Mrs Bull is expecting her first baby in the New Year! We are all very excited about the news. She will be a great mum - and joins with Mrs Maitland, Mrs Rand and Mrs Carroll who have all had new babies over the last few years. I am sure everyone will want to join with me congratulating Mr and Mrs Bull on their imminent new arrival! We are currently in the middle of putting plans into place to ensure there will be a teacher in Mrs Bull's class over her maternity leave and I will update you on plans as next term progresses.

Next week we welcome 3 new Teaching Assistants to our school - Mr Andrews and Miss Mortimer (who will be working in Year 5 and 6) and Miss MacKay who will be working in Year 1. I am sure you will see them in and around the school.

I am proud to be able to announce our House Captains for the year. House Captains for Yellow House will be Nikita Lawrence and Billy Mills, for Red House Zoe Murrum and Andrew Davey, Green House Nicole Brown and Emilee Piggott and Aisling Clarkin and Tiegan Wheeler for Blue House. Our new school captains are: Grace Bowden, Aiden Macleod, Ananya Ramamurthy and Izzy Browning. The Sports Ambassadors for the year are Jack Nelson and Kayleigh Forrester. We have also appointed 7 Politeness Prefects who have the responsibility of keeping their eyes peeled and rewarding children who have demonstrated good manners around the school. Our Politeness Prefects are: Rachel Smith, Kayla Curtis, Codie Reeves & Madeleine Brown, Tegan Graham Lund, Sophie Harris and Lily Reid. Congratulations to all the children mentioned above!

Have a good weekend

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Dates for your diary

October

15th - Kent Test Results sent to parents
21st – Year 5/6 landing pad assembly 2:15-3pm
22nd – Year 3/4 landing pad assembly 2:15-3pm
23rd – Year 1/ 2 landing pad assembly 2:15-3pm

Change of date – Nativity Play

Wednesday 17th December 9:30 – 10:30am

School Lunches!

Don't forget school meals cost £2:30 a day if your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6.
School meals will be served from the week 3 menu next week

*Menus are available on the school website
Go to About Us – Documents*

Every week – take a peek!

Please check your child's hair for head lice this weekend. Regular checks prevent the spread of head lice in school.

Dog mess in Mill Lane!

Several people have mentioned to me this week that there has been a lot of dog mess in Mill Lane – especially on the pavements. After some investigation I am informed that if we telephone the Civic Centre they will send someone out to clear up. The number to call is: 01303 853660

Reminder:

Registration in each class is taken at 8:45 a.m. each morning and registers are collected to check absences.

Parents are directed to ring the school to inform of a child's absence or leave a message on the school answer phone. Parents who have not notified the school of a child's absence are telephoned after 9.15 a.m. to check the child's whereabouts.

The full attendance policy is on the school website.

A recommended website - www.littleparachutes.com

Little Parachutes provides a unique and simple way to search for picture books that address situations and issues that young children experience.

By browsing the Little Parachutes library you can quickly find picture books which feature subjects such as sharing, moving house, potty training, eating healthily and visiting the doctor. Also included are more challenging situations such as bereavement, divorce and serious illness in the family.
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Class photographs!

If you intend to buy a class photograph (didn't they look great?!) they must be returned to school by Monday 20th October

Have you got a child starting school in September? Or do you know someone who has?

We will be holding our Open Morning on 11th November 9:30 -11:130am
Please spread the word!

Attendance of the week

John Dyer and Monet class both had 100% attendance last week – well done to all children concerned!

Attendance / holidays

Please do remember that we are not in a position to be able to authorise holidays for children during school time. If there is a reason your son / daughter needs time out of school for an exceptional circumstance please complete the exceptional circumstance form that can be found in the school office or on the school website – About Us / Policy link / Attendance Policy.

Term times for 2014-2015 are as follows:

October Half Term – 27/10/14-03/11//14
Christmas holidays – 22 / 12/2014 – 5/01/14
February Half Term - 16/02/15 – 23/02/15
Easter holidays – 02/04/15 – 20/04/15
May Half Term – 25/05/15 – 01/06/15
Summer holidays – 27th July