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News & What's coming up

Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 7th February

Tuesday is Safer Internet Day. We will be holding special assemblies in school discussing how children can stay safe on the Internet.

Do your children play ROBLOX?

It has been brought to our attention that many children of all ages are playing the game ROBLOX. This is a game similar to Minecraft. Children appear to have lots of friends on this game that their parents are unaware of. It is also a well-known site for grooming young children. Please be vigilant and check any games your children play online.

E-Safety Sessions – Thursday 20th April 2017

As you will have seen in the news recently, E-Safety is a concern we should all be aware of to help keep our children safe online.



In conjunction with EST E Safety, we will be running a day of E-Safety sessions for children in Year 1 through to Year 6. This will be followed by a parent E-Safety session where, with the help of the PTA, we will be holding a pyjama party for children whose parents are attending the E-Safety session. We see this as an important opportunity to all better understand e-safety and we hope as many of you as possible will attend. Parents have a crucial role to play as children often have unsupervised and unfiltered access to apps, sites and games whilst at home or with friends.

A film suitable for all ages will be shown and refreshments will be provided for both parents and children. This will be a free event and will be funded by the PTA. More details to follow.

Seeking New School Governors

[Please click here to find out more information if you are interested in becoming a School Governor.](#)

Autism training - Last week, all staff and midday assistants received Autism Awareness Training. This was part of the schools on-going training in the area of Special Educational Needs.

Parents Evening (next Tuesday and Thursday) - If you have not yet booked your appointment or received your appointment time, please speak to your child's teacher.

Year 6 – Are there any Year 6 parents available to help with Sewing Wednesday or Thursday afternoon next week? Please let the class teacher know.

What's on next week

Tuesday 7th February

3.45-7: Open evening

Thursday 9th February

Year 1 – Teddy Bear's picnic

5.30-8.30: Open Evening

Friday 10th February

Year 2 – Disney Day

Future dates for your diary

The dates below are for information only – full details of events will be sent via a separate letter or mentioned in this newsletter.

Monday 13th February-Friday 17th February – Half Term

Thursday 2nd March – 2.15: Year 5 Guitar Sharing Session (Junior Hall)

Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day – Dress up (more details to follow)

Friday 3rd March - Bring and buy book sale – more details to follow

Tuesday 7th March (am) – Cross Country Competition

Monday 27th March (pm) – Infant Music Festival at the Paddocks

Thursday 20th April – E-Safety sessions (see above)

Friday 26th May – Training Day

Homework Reminders

Don't forget to read at least 4 times a week and do your Times Table Rockstars and practice your spellings.

Year 6 – My Maths– due Wednesday and Learning Log

Year 5 – My Maths online and reading comprehension

Year 4 – Times Table booklet. Practise Year 3/4 spelling list for a test on Wednesday

Year 3 – Keeping a food diary – see homework books for more info

Year 2 – Online Maths, Spellings and Phonics

Year 1 – Maths paper and phonics red book

Don't Forget!

Early Years – Dinosaur Party next Friday pm (non-uniform)

Year 1 – Teddy Bear picnic next Thursday.

Bring a bear. Letter to follow on Monday

Year 2 – Disney day next Friday

Year 3 – Trip to Tesco (Farm to Fork) straight

after half term – letter to follow

Year 4 – Monday is our Topic Day – P.E. kit needed in school

Don't Forget



Cold Weather

Please ensure that all children wear a coat to school even if they come in a car as most days they will be out at play and lunchtimes.

Do you want to train to be a Teacher?

Learn more about Primary and Secondary teacher training opportunities available through the Benfleet Teaching School Alliance. Their next Information and Recruitment Event is on **Monday 20th February from 11.15am until 1.30pm** at The King John School, Shipwrights Drive, Benfleet Essex SS7 1RO. You will need a degree 2:2 or above to be accepted but anyone can attend to gain advice on how to get on a course and the appropriate degree route.

This event will include a short presentation about the various routes into teaching and how the teacher training programme works, a chance to hear from past and present trainees in this year's cohort describing their experiences and an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. There will also be a tour of the school and an opportunity to observe lessons. The ITT Coordinator will be available to discuss the questions you may have regarding the application process, funding and bursaries. To request a place at this event please email mhoward@theappletonschool.org (Please state your subject specialism for secondary teaching)

Star of the Week

Well done to the following children who are Stars of the Week

Yr6 Gold class – Erin
Yr6 Green class – Jessica
Yr5 White class – Joe
Yr5 Silver class – Hayden
Yr4 Red class – Sienna
Yr4 Bronze class – Hannah
Yr3 Aqua class – James
Yr3 Purple class – Stella
Yr2 Lime class – Matilda
Yr2 Ruby class – Jack
Yr1 Blue class – Ethan
Yr1 Yellow class – Holly
EY Jade class – Josh S
EY Amber class – Amberley



Well done and keep up the good work.

Reading

Well done to all classes who had the following number of children who read **at home** at least 4 times this week and were entered into the Reading Record Reward Pot:

Gold – 29

Green – 26

White – 21

Silver – 23

Red – 30 😊

Bronze – 20

Aqua – 29 😊

Purple – 24

Lime – 26

Ruby – 19

Blue – 25

Yellow – 17

Jade – 24

Amber – 21



Rock Heroes this week

Well done to the following children who are Times Table Rockstar Rock Heroes this week

Gold class – Grace P (Mrs Watson's Maths set)

Green class – Max L-G (Miss Farrell's Maths set)

White class – Jesse

Silver class – Lily P

Red class – Mac

Bronze class – Charlie

Aqua class – Kacie

Purple class – Oliver

Well done and keep up the good work.



Attendance – w/e Friday 3rd February

The **Key Stage 1** class with the best attendance is **Blue** Class. Their attendance was **98.7%**

The **Key Stage 2** class with the best attendance is **Silver** Class. Their attendance was **100%**

Other Key Stage 1 attendance is as follows:

Lime Class – 98.3%

Ruby Class – 98%

Amber Class – 96.7%

Jade Class – 95.3%

Yellow Class – 87.3%

Other Key Stage 2 attendance is as follows:

Red Class – 98.7%

Bronze Class – 98.3%

Purple Class – 98%

Green Class – 97.3%

White Class – 97.3%

Gold Class – 96%

Aqua Class – 95.5%

PTA News

Adventure Island tickets can be purchased from Lorraine Jones Hearn on 07956 467477. Prices £15(big) £11 (Junior/Mini)

We also have available tickets for the following:

Adventure Golf – 2 rounds - £3 each

Sea-Life tickets - £5 Adult - £2.50 Child

Costumes & Uniform

If anyone has any spare themed costumes that they no longer require, the PTA would be very grateful if you could pass them on. The aim is to have costumes available for future themed days that parents can hire for a small fee.

We would also like to collect any school uniform that may be too small for your children. We are looking at having a second hand uniform shop.

If you have any items, please leave them in a bag marked "PTA" at the School office. Further details will follow in the New Year.

House Points

House points are awarded to KS2 children for good behaviour, good work, helping others, being kind and good manners.

Points earned this week

Raleigh	25
Wellington	23
Drake	19
Nelson	13

Menu for next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pizza Day – Selection of Homemade Pizza with a choice of topping	Homemade Chicken Korma	Chicken Pie	Toad in the Hole	Chicken Chunks
	Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans	Quorn Pie	Quorn Sausage	Quorn Dippers
Wedges	Fluffy White Rice	Creamy Mashed Potatoes	New Potatoes	Chips
Sweetcorn / Coleslaw / Salad Bar	Peas / Salad Bar Naan Bread	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Baked Beans / Salad Bar Crusty Bread
Shortbread	Iced Smoothie	Waffle with Fruit	Muffins	Yoghurt selection