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News & What's coming up

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.

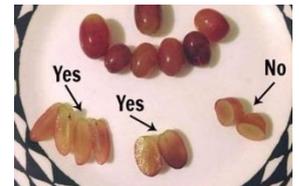
In conjunction with EST E Safety, we will be running a day of E-Safety sessions for children in Year 1 through to Year 6. This will be followed by a parent E-Safety session where, with the help of the PTA, we will be holding a pyjama party for children whose parents are attending the E-Safety session. 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.

Packed lunches and grapes

You may have seen or heard in the press recently the unfortunate incidents involving children choking on grapes. As a precaution, could we please ask that if you are putting grapes in your children's lunchboxes, please ensure they are cut lengthwise so they can pass more easily through smaller throats. And never widthwise, because they will still be big enough to choke on (see diagram). This will help avoid any choking hazards.



School Council

Our new School Council has been elected. Congratulations to everyone that was successful. School Council meetings will take place fortnightly starting Monday 16th January. Letters to successful candidates will be sent home today.

What's on next week

Monday 16th January

Year 6 – Rainforest day

3.15-4.15: School Council meeting

Tuesday 17th January

Wednesday 18th January

Thursday 19th January

Friday 20th January

Future dates for your diary

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

Tuesday 24th January – SEN Coffee morning with Mrs Skinner

Tuesday 24th January – PTA meeting 7.45pm School library

Wednesday 1st February – Parents Forum Coffee morning

Tuesday 7th February – Open evening 4-7pm

Thursday 9th February – Open evening 5.30-8.30pm

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

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)

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 set – due Wednesday. Learning Log will be given out Monday following visitor

Year 5 – My Maths, reading comprehension and spelling sentences

Year 4 – Please could any 500ml empty water bottles be sent in next week for science

Year 3 – Online homework this week

Year 2 (Ruby) – All books home Green & Red

Year 1 – Online

Don't Forget!

Application for Primary School Places

Parents of children born during the period 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 must apply for their reception places by Sunday 15 January 2017.

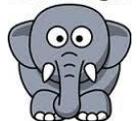
Year 6

Rainforest expert is visiting on Monday. £2 contribution to be paid via ParentPay please.

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.

Don't Forget



Star of the Week

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

Yr6 Gold class – Kurtis
 Yr6 Green class – Ramsey
 Yr5 White class – Dylan
 Yr5 Silver class – James
 Yr4 Red class – Mia P
 Yr4 Bronze class – Olivia
 Yr3 Aqua class – Finlay
 Yr3 Purple class – Austin
 Yr2 Lime class – Freya
 Yr2 Ruby class – George
 Yr1 Blue class – Alexander
 Yr1 Yellow class – Seb
 EY Jade class – Joshua C
 EY Amber class – Holly



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 – 28
 White – 21
 Silver – 20
 Red – 24
 Bronze – 20
 Aqua – 25
 Purple – 20
 Lime – 22
 Ruby – 22
 Blue – 27
 Yellow – 23
 Jade – 27
 Amber – 19



Rock Heroes this week

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

Gold class – Florence (Mrs Watson's Maths set)
 Green class – Hope (Miss Farrell's Maths set)
 White class – Isabelle
 Silver class – Sophie Bol
 Red class – Jack
 Bronze class – Drew
 Aqua class – Jessie
 Purple class – Matthew

Well done and keep up the good work.



Attendance – w/e Friday 13th January

The **Key Stage 1** class with the best attendance is **Ruby** Class. Their attendance was **99.3%**

The **Key Stage 2** class with the best attendance is **Green** Class. Their attendance was **98%**

Other Key Stage 1 attendance is as follows:

Yellow Class – 98.7%
 Jade Class – 98.3%
 Lime Class – 96.7%
 Blue Class – 96.5%
 Amber Class – 93%

Other Key Stage 2 attendance is as follows:

Bronze Class – 96.7%
 Red Class – 96.3%
 Silver Class – 95.3%
 Gold Class – 95.3%
 Aqua Class – 95.2%
 Purple Class – 94%
 White Class – 93.3%

Letters sent home this week

Early Years – Letter formation letter out today.

PTA News

PTA Meeting – Tuesday 24th January

There is a PTA meeting on 24th January at 7.45pm in the school library. If you would like to see what the PTA have planned for the rest of the school year or if you are interested in joining/helping the PTA then please feel free to come along.

Costumes & Uniform

If anyone has any spare nativity or other 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

Wellington	26
Raleigh	24
Drake	16
Nelson	15

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