

Weekly Newsletter



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Sponsored 'Maths-a-thon'

Either today or on Monday, your child will be tested against the homework they were set for the 'Maths-a-thon'. Thank you for your support. Please could sponsor forms be returned to the classrooms by next Friday.

Mobile phones

Thank you to children for following our request not to use the Internet on mobile phones unsupervised before school, and to the parents for ensuring their children stay safe.

MDA positions

We are looking to appoint two MDAs as soon as possible. One role will be for three days a week (Monday to Wednesday) on a permanent contract whilst the other will be each school day on a contract linked to supporting a child with special needs. Please apply to the school office if you would like more information or an application pack. The closing date was today but due to a lack of interest we will be extending the closing date to Friday, 6th March. The people who work at school during lunchtimes do a great job of keeping children safe and happy at school and it is an important role. If you have time to offer your services during lunchtimes with professional development opportunities, please consider applying next week.

Half term homework

Thank you for the excellent homework about the Amazon. It will be celebrated in school next week when it is displayed in the corridor.

Good news

I am delighted that after ongoing health problems, Mrs. Arnold and Mrs. Kemzura have both returned to work in the last couple of weeks. It is great to have them back.

Forest School

We are thrilled that we can now offer Forest School experiences to some of our older children as well as EYFS and Year 1. Can I remind you that this fantastic outdoor learning does require a change of clothes being provided and part of the fun is how muddy you can get whilst learning! Please do not send in Forest School clothes that are too special to get muddy.

World Book Day

On Friday, 6th March we will be having a non-uniform day for World Book Day and would like the children to dress up as a book character.

Chinese New Year

The children have been learning about the Chinese New Year this week. To recognise the celebration, we have raised our Chinese flag on our flagpole at the front of the school. Mrs Horgan came into assembly on Monday and wished the children a Happy New Year in Chinese. See what they can remember about the traditions and customs associated with the festival.

Menu

Week 3 menu - please see the website for our menus.

Forthcoming dates

2nd Mar – Y5 Egypt Day

5th Mar – World Book Day

6th Mar – Non-uniform day (book character)
10th Mar – Fairtrade visit to library
14th Mar – Y6 Masterclasses at BCHS
16th Mar – Dance competition at BCHS
17th Mar – Cross country at Weald Park
16th Mar – Dance competition at BCHS
19th Mar – Y6 Easter Cracked at Methodist Church
w/b 23rd Mar – Y4 play (dates to be confirmed)
24th Mar – Y1 visit to Barleylands
25th Mar – Y5 Showcase to parents
26th Mar – Queens Theatre visit to school (Little Red Riding Hood)
26th Mar – Fundraisers school disco
27th – Year 3 Roman Banquet
27th Mar – School breaks up for Spring break
13th Apr – School closed for teacher training
14th Apr – Children return to school
7th May – School closed for Polling Day (INSET for staff)

Letters home

27th Feb – Fairtrade visit to library for Fairtrade Fortnight

Attendance – 97% target

Congratulations to Birch, Elder, Elm and Larch for having over 97% attendance since the start of the academic year (September).

Congratulations

Bronze Certificates went to Freya Carr, Michaela Angeles, Grace Power, Ryan Brown, Evan Ross, Casey Melpous, Oliver Hooper, Ewan Hobbs, Finley Le Hellidu, Jaden Freeman and Poppy Jackson.

Silver Certificates went to Lara King.

Pen Licences went Millie Montgomery.

Hweadteacher's Award for week ending 13.2.15 went to Hannah Campbell.