

# Weekly Newsletter



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**Half term homework** – All children are invited to produce a creative piece of homework with a circus theme. This can be a piece of writing i.e. newspaper report or story, some artwork or some maths such as problem solving money problem or considering the shapes in a picture. The artwork should be able to be displayed in the corridor and so should not be too three dimensional.

**Returning to school** – Please remember that the children return to school on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> June.

**Philippa's friendship seat** – Philippa Deamer's parents have very kindly donated a friendship seat in their daughter's memory which is positioned on the playground for children who want to sit with friends. The money for the seat was collected after Philippa's funeral in December. The bench is already being well used by the children and I am sure Philippa would have approved.

**Results from Active Lifestyle poster competition** – In addition to the news last week that Isabella Scharvona won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in this competition, we have been notified this week that the judges were allowed to pick five favourites from the 2,300 entries that will also feature in the campaign and they chose two further Holly Trees children. Jasmine Stringer in Year 1 and Hannah Long in Year 5 have also been recognised by the judges for their excellent artwork. What a talented school to have three children's work recognised as only eight posters were selected from all the entries. An outstanding achievement.

**School shoes** – When parents are buying new school shoes for their children, please consider how smart these shoes are. Many companies seem to be marketing trainers as school shoes and these are not smart enough for school. School shoes should be the sort that can be polished because they are leather (or look like leather) and should not bear any brand name or symbols often linked to sportswear. In addition to children's school shoes, all children should bring plimsolls or trainers to school during this term for outdoor PE.

**INSET day – 23<sup>rd</sup> June** – Because our school will be used as a Polling Station on the day of the EU Referendum, there will be no school that day. Please be aware that Year 6 children attending BCHS next year will be required to go to BCHS on this date for induction.

**Preparing for the Summer Fete** - Save the date 2 July in your diary. This year, the Fundraisers are asking the parents of each class to organise a stall. We have plenty of games in the shed that you can use – or you might want to come up with fresh idea of your own! We'll be sending out more information to parents next week to explain the set up – in the meantime, you may want to think about who you will nominate to be your stall leader.

**Lost Property** – Please check the lost property box as it will be emptied at half term.

**Attendance – 97% target** - Congratulations to Beech, Elm, Holly, Hornbeam, Larch, Maple and Sycamore for having over 97% attendance since the start of the academic year (September).

**Menu** – Week One of the new summer menu. There will be a few small changes in the menu for a couple of weeks until our new Chef Manager starts. Desserts will be mainly yoghurt and fruit. You will be notified of any main meal changes by Parentmail.

## Letters home

23<sup>rd</sup> May – Y2 'Welcome to the Zoo'

23<sup>rd</sup> May – BCG vaccination – amended on 26<sup>th</sup> May (via Parentmail)

### **Forthcoming dates**

30<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Half term  
6<sup>th</sup> June – non-pupil day  
9<sup>th</sup> June – Inflatable Afternoon  
10<sup>th</sup> June – Class and group photos  
13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Bikeability  
15<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Crucial Crew  
15<sup>th</sup> June – Author visit  
21<sup>st</sup> June – Internet safety meeting for KS2 parents  
23<sup>rd</sup> June – school closed for polling  
24<sup>th</sup> June – Holly Trees Talent Competition  
27<sup>th</sup> June – District Sports  
30<sup>th</sup> June – Y1 visit to Barleylands  
1<sup>st</sup> July – Y5 History Off the Page  
2<sup>nd</sup> July – Summer Fete  
5<sup>th</sup> July – Y5 Wild Forest Gym  
8<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day  
22<sup>nd</sup> July – last day of term  
14<sup>th</sup> July – Open afternoon (3:00 to 6:00pm)  
22<sup>nd</sup> July – Last day of summer term  
5<sup>th</sup> Sept – children return to school

### **Congratulations**

**Bronze Certificates** went to Kai George, Frankie Judd, Ashton Chapman, Harrison Blake, Ryan Brown and Milo Waters.

**Silver Certificates** went to Ryan Kershaw, Varshini Ramkumar, Kimberley Chen and Lyla Said

**Gold Certificates** went to Charler Harding, Jasmine Stringer, Connor Bashford, Ruby Appleton and Hannah Long.

**Golden Owl Badge** went to Poppy Knowles

**MFS Bronze Merits** went to Charley Fletcher, Millie Gevaux and Ben Chad.

Well done to Y3/4 basketball team for winning their match against Hutton All Saints which takes them through to the semi-final next month. Y5/6 lost their match against Buttsbury yesterday despite their excellent teamwork.

Maddie Barker attended the County cross country finals this week and placed 15<sup>th</sup>. Well done Maddie.