



Newsletter

January 2018

It has been lovely to see everyone back after the holidays. Hopefully we have left all the 'bugs' behind us and are fit for the forthcoming term.

We welcome back Mrs Williams from her leave of absence and also Mrs Janes to assist with booster classes for Year 6.

January has been a quiet month in school but the children have all settled back in and working hard. Do check the website for their latest topics.

We began Forest School sessions last Monday which was a wet day hence the children had fantastic muddy fun. The children do make the most of their time in the Forest and will not return much before 3.30pm. If you would like them to change, feel free to send them back into school to do so.



Our new Eco-team is ready and raring to go, with lots of fantastic ideas! We have recently signed up to the EDF energy's school program and to become an eco-school. The children will be involved in developing an action plan with the aim of working towards earning different awards.

At our last meeting we talked about what they wanted to get out of it, here are their ideas:-

George and Robyn - looking after birds and plants

Luisa said saving energy and turning off lights.

Araliya said recycling.

Craig and William - looking after animals and nature.

I am sure you will agree that between them they have got Holbeton covered!

Watch this space for more exciting news coming soon.

Wellies in school:

With all this rain the school grounds are incredibly wet and muddy. Children are still welcome to play in these areas as long as they change their shoes. If your child would like to play in these areas, can they leave their wellies in school? Please ensure all wellies are named too please.

Water bottles:

Although we do have a water fountain at school, we would strongly recommend that your child brings their own named water bottle from which to drink from through the day. These bottles can be refilled at school and would prove more hygienic than all sharing the water fountain!

World Book Day:

Yes, it's on the way! Thursday 1st March is World Book Day and we will be celebrating with lots of book activities. Children are very welcome to come dressed up as their favourite characters. It was a stunning effort last term- can we possibly out do ourselves this year?



January 100 Club Winners

63 – Pete Hearn - £25
10 – Caroline Williams - £10

Weekly Cake Raffle.

Each week on a Friday we have a cake raffle (25p per ticket max 4 tickets) to win a yummy cake, donated by a parent. All proceeds go to the HSA.

Please Note - Change of Menu for Tuesday 6th Feb and Wednesday 7th Feb

Tuesday – Roast Chicken
Wednesday – Chinese New Year menu . details on notice board.

Keeping our children Safe

The dangers of 'Internet of Toys' - did your child receive a gift such as Hello Barbie, Furby Connect or Dash and Dot Robot this Christmas? Did you realise that since these toys connect to the internet that they have the same security risks for your child as a Smart phone or tablet? Please click onto the link below for some simple advice on keeping your child safe as they play:
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/technology-toys-and-the-internet/>

Please see below dates for your diary
(**some dates have been altered** and/or added)

Dates for your Diary

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| Spring Term 2018 | |
| 2nd January | Term Begins |
| 15 th Jan | Last day to apply for school admissions – Sept 2018 |
| 17 Jan | 6.15 Governors meeting |
| 24 th Jan | Height & Weight F/Y6 |
| 29 th January | Forest School KS1 |
| 5 th February | Forest School KS2 |
| 6 th February | RSPB visit |
| 8 th February | Indoor athletics Y3/4 ICC |
| 12 th – 16 th February | HALF TERM |
| 19 th February | Forest School KS1 |
| 26 th February | Forest School KS2 |
| 1 st March | World Book Day |
| 5 th March | Forest School KS1 / Parents Evening |
| 6 th March | Parents Evening |
| 12 th March | Forest School KS2 |
| 19 th March | Bikeability Y5 |
| 20 th March | Bikeability Y5 |
| 23 rd March | 2.30pm Easter Swing – all invited. |
| 26 th March | Forest School KS1 |
| 28 th March | 9.30 Church with Donkey |
| 29 th March | Easter Bonnet and Egg Rolling Day |
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| | End of Term |