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HEADTEACHER NEWS

This week, the pupils from Year 3 visited Hughenden Manor. They spent the day sketching the building and learning about the building. The children were very excited about being the first trip of the school year yesterday and, upon their return, shared with everyone what a fantastic day they had. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to help. Lower down the school, the pupils were treated to a visit from a tractor as part of their harvest and farm to fork topic. All the children from Pre-school to Year 1 went to see and take a seat in the tractor. Yesterday, we welcomed our new Reception Parents with an afternoon tea - this was exceptionally well attended by parents and we would like to thank the Year 1 parents for their donation of cakes.

Student Leadership

Our head boy and girl undertook their first official duties this week, by welcoming parents and taking visitors across to our Pre-school open morning. They are settling in to their new roles and enjoying the responsibility. Next week the children will be electing their class councillors for the Pupil Parliament. Each class will be represented and all children will have the opportunity to vote for their class member.

Values:

We have been thinking about love and kindness this week and encouraging the children to reflect upon how they treat one another. As a staff we were treated to a huge act of kindness on Thursday and for that we are all extremely grateful.

"No act of kindness is ever wasted" Aesop

Attendance:

This week's attendance champions are: **5KH**

House Points

Each week pupils work hard in school to earn house points. House points are used to reward pupils who have achieved well in class, either through effort or

Parent Helper Training

Thank you to everyone who gave their time this week to attend the parent helper training. We have trained over 30 parents this week, which is fantastic for the school and the pupils. If you were not able to make any of the session this week and would like to volunteer to help, it is not too late as there are still two dates next week:

Tuesday 10th October (new date) 2:30pm

Thursday 12th October 9:00

Once you have completed the training, please remember to return your form and signed code of conduct to the school office. The forms will then be given to the relevant class teachers, who should be in contact with you very soon.

Open Day Reception In-take 2018

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding two open days for prospective new parents. These will be on:

Thursday 9th November at 9:30am

Tuesday 21st November at 1:30pm

There is no need to book. Tours of the school will be provided at the start of the open days and then a short presentation will be given at 10:30am and 2:30pm respectively.

Inspirational Speakers

We are looking for a range of people from all walks of life to come and speak to our children during Collective Worship time on a Thursday morning. The focus of these sessions is about raising aspirations in our pupils and widening their horizons. So, if you or anyone you know be willing to come and speak with our children about your achievement, either personal or professional, we would be delighted to hear from you. Just to reassure you, Collective Worship is only 15 minutes long and the pupils are split by key stages; so it is only half the school at a time. Ideally, we would like to have a different speaker each week.

high attainment. At the end of each week, the house captains count and the outcomes are shared with the school during Celebration Worship.

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Parents Evening

Well done to everyone who has already booked for parents evening. If you haven't already done so, please ensure you make your booking as soon as possible. It is our intention that parents evening is attended by every parent.

Morning Drop Off

The morning drop off arrangements are working well and thank you to everyone who has provided feedback; both positive and areas that they would like us to think about. Some parents are seeking clarification around the time the gate closes. Now that everyone has settled into the routine, the bell will be rung at 8:45 and the gate will close at 8:50. Any child arriving after that time must be signed in at the office.

Parking

Parents are reminding that they should not be parking on the grass verges outside the front of the school. We have also been asked by our neighbours at the Spar to remind parents that their carpark should not be used at drop off and pick up times.

Individual School Photos Monday 9th October

Just a little reminder that Monday is school photo day. Each child will be having their photograph taken, both individually and alongside their siblings. Any parents, who have children in the Pre-school and who do not normally attend on a Monday, may wish to bring their child in to have their photograph taken.

Reading books

We have added some recommended reading lists to each year group's section of our school website. These are books that should engage children but have age appropriate content. We would love to hear the children's feedback on any books they read, so we can share the titles of these books with their peers.

Holidays in Term Time

We have received an increasing number of requests for holiday to be taken during term time. We would like to remind parents that we do discourage you from taking your children out of school during term time and that requests will be unauthorised unless it is exceptional circumstances.

PTA News

Family Fun Ferret Racing Saturday 14th October 4pm-7pm

We still have a few tickets available for our ferret racing event. This will be a great night and the children love it. Don't worry if you can't find your letter, please email lisa.c269.lct@gmail.com with the number of tickets required and your food choices ASAP.

Tickets are £10 for adults and £5 for children.

All new dates are shown in Red **Dates for 2017 -2018**

October:

- 9th Individual Photos
- 10th Parent Helper Training
- 11th Year 5 to Woodrow
- 16th Parents Evening 3:30 -5:30
- 17th Year 5 Interschool Football / Netball Festival
- 17th Rotary Shoe Box Assembly
- 18th Parents Evening 5:00 -8:00
- 19th PTA Meeting 7pm in the Canteen
- 23rd – HALF TERM
- 30th Year 4 Legion XIII in school visit

November

- 2nd Rotary Shoe Box collection
- 2nd Year 3 Trip to Henley River & Rowing
- 10th Reception & KS1 trip to the cinema
- 13th Remembrance Service
- 14th Year 1 Multi-Skill Interschool festival
- 17th Children in Need
- 17th School Disco

December

- 2nd PTA Christmas Fayre
- 3rd Participate in the All age service at St Michaels
- 12th KS1 Nativity (Afternoon)
- 13th KS2 Music Concert
- 14th Early Years Nativity (Morning)
- 14th KS1 Nativity 6:30pm
- 15th Early Years Nativity (Afternoon)
- 18th Christmas Church Service
- 18th Key Stage 1 and Early Years Christingle
- 19th End of Term 1:30pm

January

- 3rd Inset Day
- 30th Year R Interschool – Winter Olympics
- 31st Year 2 Great Fire of London Day

February

- 12th HALF TERM
- 21st Year 3-6 Interschool Cross Country

March

- 2nd World Book Day Dress Up
- 6th Year 4 Interschool Football
- 12th Parents Evening 3:30- 5:30

Attachments to this newsletter

Electronic attachments :

Reception – Cursive Writing Letter

All – Judo Flyer

All – Woodrow Holiday Club

14th Parents Evening 5:00 – 8:00

16th School Disco

19th Year 6 Isle of Wight

28th Easter Church Service KS2

29th End of term 1:30pm

April

6th Inset Day

25th Year 3 Interschool – Tennis

30th Class Photos May

23rd Year 2 Interschool – Games

28th – HALF TERM

June

27th Year 6 Interschool – Games

29th School Disco July

3rd Secondary Transfer Day / Move up day

5th Bucks School Games

6th INSET DAY

9th Sports Day KS2 AM / KS1 PM Picnic Lunch for all

11th Reserve Sports Day

13th Reports out to parents

24th July End of Term 1:30pm