

ANDOVERSFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Spring Term 2020

28th February

NEWSLETTER



You are what you eat

We are applying to renew our Healthy Schools award but we need your help! Unhealthy snacks have been creeping into school at break and lunchtimes. Help us to keep treats as an occasional treat! We have a Healthy Eating Policy which not everybody is respecting. Please take a look [here](#) to remind yourselves of what is and is not allowed in school. Items that should not be in school will be kept to the side and available to collect at the end of the day. There are lots of great websites with snack and packed lunch ideas like [BBCGoodFood](#) and [Change4Life](#).

#ASPIRE #respect #healthybodyhealthymind

ASPIRE Point Totals

Bluebell: 306
Buttercup: 469
Thistle: 445
Rose: 456
Whole School: 3,973
Target: 5,000

Celebrations at Andoversford

This week our ASPIRE award winners were:

Ash: Sienna

Oak: Millie

Beech: Bruno

Willow: Oly

TEAMie of the Week: Ryan C

The Mystery Reader was chosen by Emily B this week. She chose to donate Little Leaders: Visionary Women from around the World to Oak Class!



Coronavirus

Some people may be worried about the spread of Coronavirus after hearing about outbreaks on the news. Remember to ensure that your information comes from a reputable source—not just what you hear on social media. Advice for travellers has also changed, you can keep up to date with the latest [here](#). The guidance to help reduce the spread is:

- * Frequently wash hands thoroughly with soap and water
- * Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- * Cover a cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in a bin
- * Avoid close contact with people who are unwell
- * Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- * If you feel unwell, stay at home
- * If you are worried about your symptoms or those of a child, call NHS 111 and don't go directly to the GP or other healthcare environments.

[Click here for full details and NHS Advice.](#)

This term we are running a tried and tested event and offering an exciting new opportunity for children! The pop-up shop will be back on the 20th March for all children—more details to follow so watch this space.

Time to get ready for a creative buzz! Children are invited to stay to a Yoga and Craft event on Friday 27th March. They will need a change of clothes—something comfortable and stretchy! The Yoga session will take place straight after school in the hall, followed by a healthy snack and then an Easter crafting activity.

Children in after-school clubs can join the fun after their club so no need to miss out! Parents can collect their children at 5:15. Places will be limited to 40 for this event—you can sign up for a place and pre-pay at the school office. £5 per child or £7 for a family ticket.

PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR!

How to Help with Spelling

This week we had a spelling workshop for parents to discuss the four key concepts of spelling. [Follow this link](#) for the handout outlining the key concepts for anyone who may have missed it. Lots of discussion about these patterns and connections can deepen a child's understanding of the English language and help to embed the weekly spelling pattern in their long term memory.

Community Links:

Aerial Skills

Fancy trying a new skill? New beginners are welcome along with our regular students. Trapeze and aerial classes are available in the Cotswold School Sports Hall. Classes for this half term are available to book on www.schooloflarks.com



Cheltenham Challenge

The [Cheltenham Challenge](#) is a fundraising event for CCP (Caring for Communities & People). The event is a multi-terrain race event offering 5k, 10k & half marathon distances that start and finish at Cheltenham Racecourse. With all 3 distances there is a race for everyone! We encourage families to come, bring the kids and the dog and tackle the 5k- a great way to get everyone out of the house and active! Last year a total of 1,200 participants took part and we raised an amazing £12,000 for CCP's work tackling the causes and effects of homelessness in our local community.



Dates for your Diary

Remember key dates 2019-20 are available on the website and online calendar!

March

- 3rd Role of the Police Assembly with SchoolBeat
- 5th World Book Day
- 9th Parent Workshop: Division at 3:00
- 13th ASPIRE Day: Sport Relief
- 20th Deadline for Residential deposit
- 20th PTFA pop-up shop for Mothers' Day
- 23rd Parent Forum at 2:30
- 24th YR and Y6 Height/Weight Checks
- 26th K*Nex Final at Renishaw
- 27th PTFA Yoga and Craft event
- No Clubs in final week 30.03.2020 to 03.04.2020
- 30th Willow Class SchoolBeat workshop at 9:00
- 30th Willow Class Parent Showcase at 2:40
- 31st Beech Class to SkilZone

April

- 1st Beech Class Trip
- 3rd Easter Events
- 3rd Easter Assembly at 1:00
- 3rd Term Ends at 2:00
- 20th INSET Day



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