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Term 3 2019-2020 – Week 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been focussing on healthy eating this week and it has been good to see the children take more of an interest in the food they eat.

The class topics are creating a lot of interest and we have seen some lovely writing coming from these themes.

We have an INSET day on the first day back after half term Monday 24th February so please make sure you have it in your diaries.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Jungle who have had Attendance Bear over the last two weeks. Our school target this year is 96.5%.

	Underwater	Bugs	High Peaks	Jungle
Week 6	94.5%	98.4%	97.0%	100%
Week 1	91.3%	98.0%	97.8%	99.1%

REWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have received their next Pupil Point certificates.

100 Points – Underwater-Kellan

300 Points – Underwater- Mya
High Peaks- Alice

400 Points – Underwater- Elsie, Pippa

400 Points- Bugs- Joe, Florence, Daisy, Theo,

400 Points-Jungle - Flynn

700 Points- High Peaks- Jack, Dora

1700 Points – Jungle - Genevieve

HEALTHY EATING WEEK

We have been looking at ways to be healthy this week with a particular focus on healthy eating. The children have looked at different food groups for a balance diet and learnt more about what foods help keep them healthy.

“It’s quite important to eat healthy because if you eat too much sugar you could get diabetes. If you eat food with a little bit of sugar it’s not so bad for you. You need eat healthily to help your body grow and work as it should do. This week we made our own balanced diet which was good fun” Alice H.

“We’ve been talking about healthy eating this week and writing about what we like to eat. Chocolate, sausages and burgers are not so healthy. Bananas, apples, grapes are very healthy. I like fruit - grapes are my favourite!” Florence



Diary

January

30th – Parent Forum – 8:45am

31st – Y6 Swim gala

February

11th – Parent consultations times TBC
(Underwater/Bugs/High Peaks/Jungle)

12th – Underwater learning share 2pm

12th – Parent consultations times TBC
(Underwater/Bugs/High Peaks)

13th – Parent consultations times TBC
(Jungle only)

14th End of term

24th INSET day

25th Children return to school

25th LSA - Pancake breakfast

March

13th Red Nose Day

April

3rd LSA - Easter Mayhem

3rd – Last Day of term

20th – Children return to school.

OTHER INSET DAYS

Wednesday 22nd July

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TODDLER YOGA

We apologise but due to a Yr 5/6 topic day on Tuesday **we have to cancel Toddler yoga on Tuesday 28th January**

THANK YOU

We would like to say thank you to Gemma for running our school and toddler yoga sessions. She gives up her own time for this as a gift to the school and it has a huge impact on pupil wellbeing. We do appreciate all the volunteering our parents do in coming into school to help.



PARENT FORUM REMINDER

We will be having a parent forum on **30th January at 8:45 a.m.**

TOPIC DAYS

Yr 5 and 6 are having a topic day with the yr 5 and 6 from Firle next Tuesday. They will be having sessions on calligraphy, cooking and modelling with clay. It is a good opportunity for the children to meet with others who they may be going to secondary school with as well as using the expertise of our federation staff.

On 10th February we will be having a KSI Super hero topic day at Firle. A letter will go out about this on Monday.

The year 3/ 4 teachers are planning something for later in the school year.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

One of our Reception parents, Kirsty, has kindly put together a list of useful information to help new parents understand some of the events and systems in school. Please see attached.

There is always so much to remember. We met together to put in some key information but it does not cover everything. Please check the school website for further information or ask the school office. If there are things that you feel we don't communicate well in, please let us know so that we can improve our systems. Many thanks.

HAIR TIED UP

Please can we remind everyone that it is our school policy for hair that is shoulder length or longer to be tied up in school. This is to prevent the spread of nits and is also part of the national PE guidance. We have hairbands in the school office that some children use if they forget or can't find one at home. Thank you.

ECO UPDATE

The bulbs are coming up in the flower beds which makes it feel like spring although we will undoubtedly have more cold weather on the way. In our Eco meeting we checked on our list of targets which we had agreed before Christmas and the last few posters were given in... expect to see these going up over the next few days. In the next meeting we will be replanting the schools 7 hanging baskets whilst Mr Herdman has been busy repainting the sensory garden benches and the blue flower beds.

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Eco Ernie came into assembly on Wednesday and I had a very difficult choice between the classes which is great! Jungle just pipped everyone else though so well done!!! Remember lights off when not in the room, everything possible recycled, taps not dripping and rooms heated to 19 degrees are what you are looking for! Mr Herdman

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The children who wanted to be on the new School Council have put together their manifestoes and their year groups have voted. Well done to all the children who put themselves forward it was lovely to read their manifestos about what they liked about their school and what they would like to change as a school councillor.

Our new School Council are

Reception- Bea

Year 1-Phoenix

Year 2- Maisie

Year 3- Hannah

Year 4- Ava

Year 5- Jemma

Year 6- Hamish

LSA

The LSA had a meeting last week, thank you to all those who were able to attend. We wanted to express our thanks to Mr Herdman and Giles for all their work on the sensory garden. Please see more information below from Georgie.

GARDEN NEWS

As you come into the school past the office, you may have seen work going on in the gardens. A massive thank you to Mr Herdman, Giles Collins and Alistair Parsons for replacing the sleepers which were purchased by the LSA, re building the fences and for painting the benches.

We are now in the position to start designing and naming the garden, and we would like to hear from you! Maybe you would you like a sensory garden or perhaps use one of the beds for growing veg? We would love to hear your ideas to help us create a special space for everybody to enjoy. Please bring in any ideas you may have for the garden into the school office next week.

We would like to start a gardening club on a Friday lunchtime to create and maintain the gardens and keep them looking beautiful throughout the year. More information to follow.

Georgie – Dora and Esta's Mum.





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We have had over £200 worth of gifts from the Amazon wish list, thank you so much for this, the children are really enjoying them.

We have a date for the **FUN RUN** which will be on **16th May** so please save the date. This is a joint fundraiser with Firle and we are also going to be providing sponsorship forms to the children so that they can raise more money for their own schools. We will need lots of help from both schools to make it a success. It was a great event last year so hope to make it even bigger this year.

Don't forget that uniform can be ordered online at

<https://myclothing.com/ueslink/26417.school?t=1573142876531> and delivered to you directly rather than the school office.

ONLINE SAFETY

We have attached a digital update for you on online safety regarding apps that we are aware some of the children have access to. Please read through and let Mrs Brown or Mrs West know if you have any further questions.

MENU

Please see the attached menu for our Chinese New Year themed day (Tuesday 28th January 2020).

Rachel West and Vicki Brown