



Curiosity Cat

Newsletter 19 – 3rd February 2017

*'We set ourselves ambitious targets
and dare to have big dreams.'*

Diary Dates

<p>Year 5 Pedestrian Training Lime Class Y3 Assembly Isle of Wight Parents' Meeting Break Up World Book Day Maple Class Y4 Assembly Parents'/Carers' Evening (1 of 2) Parents'/Carers' Evening (1 of 2)</p>	<p>Wednesday 1st February 1.30pm Friday 3rd February 2:40pm Wednesday 8th February 3:30pm Friday 10th February Thursday 2nd March Friday 3rd March 2:40pm Tuesday 4th April Thursday 6th April</p>
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No more INSET Days left for this academic year.

Headteacher's News

One of the real improvements that is clear to see in our school is the number of children who have contributed to their class' Sparkling Starts wall. The whole school now can easily see what each year group's topic focus is for the term and the children have developed a sense of shared ownership with their learning. It has been super to see the range of approaches each family has made from detailed pencil sketches, long written pieces, 3D models to photographs of visits made. Next week the titles for Term 4 will be revealed!

Yesterday dinnertime, the Y6 suddenly appeared *en mass* in the theatre part of the playground. It soon became apparent that it was a 'flash mob' and all of Cedar class gradually joined in to share a dance they had been developing with Mrs Castle. In good flash mob style, they disappeared back into the crowd as soon as they were done.

And finally, some brilliant news. Mr Smith is now father to a baby boy who has been named Frankie. The whole school sends their congratulations to him and his partner, Roxanne. (The children will be glad to see him back running his clubs next week as they missed both Mr Smith and their clubs in equal measure!)

Deborah Wood

This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

- Year R Cherry: Mia
- Year 1 Oak: Isaac
- Year 2 Ash: Beatrice
- Year 3 Lime: Kaylee-Rose
- Year 4 Maple: Issy
- Year 5 Sycamore: Ashley
- Year 6 Cedar: Alanah



Attendance Total 96.1%

- YR Cherry 95.8%
- Y1 Oak 94.8%
- Y2 Ash 96.8%
- Y3 Lime 95.7%
- Y4 Maple 96.4%
- Y5 Sycamore 96.1%
- Y6 Cedar 96.1%



Reading Certificates

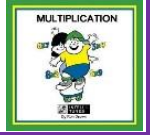
Reading 10: Millie, Elliot, Caitlin

Reading 20: George, Jacob, Eva, Mark, Ruby, Harry, Jack, Lacey, Cole, Mia, Lily, Issy, Ellie



Multiplication Masters

Sarah, Lacey, Ruby, Tom, Harrison, Julian, Kieshia, Henry-George



Interviews

Courtney School Council were very excited to interview the candidates for our new teacher position. All the candidates were very nice but a little nervous! They were all excited about the job and were very good at remembering our names. They were funny and kind to us. We wish them all lots of luck – Bethany Bright and Henry-George Wright, Year 3 School Councillors.

Royal Mail Christmas Stamp Competition

We are sorry to mention Christmas in February, but there is a wonderful opportunity for the children to design a stamp for the Royal Mail. We have some official entry forms in our school office but they can also be downloaded at www.royalmail.com/stampcompetition. All entries should be handed in to school by Friday 10th March at the latest. This gives us a week to send off any entries. In it to win it!



Santander Bank Raffle

Santander Bank in Kingswood are running a raffle and a cake sale between 30th January and 10th February. They are kindly donating the proceeds to our School Eco Club so we can buy new resources. If you can, please do go in the Bank and buy a ticket. Thank you!

Out of School Clubs (OoSC)

We are now taking bookings for Term 4. There are lots of exciting events coming up:
Hot breakfasts on the last Friday of every month.
Pancake making – Tuesday 28th February.
Mothers' day gifts – Week commencing 20th March.
Easter baking and Easter Egg Hunt – Week commencing 3rd April.



Earlier Opening Times

We have been approached by a few parents asking for Breakfast Club to start at 7.15 / 7.30. We are therefore exploring whether this is financially viable. Please could you reply to our text questionnaire next week if you would put your children into Breakfast club if it started earlier, thank you.

Childcare Vouchers

Again, a few parents have asked if we can accept childcare vouchers. We do not currently but we are open to exploring this if it helps parents. If you would like the School to take childcare vouchers, please could you let the office know which childcare voucher provider you use and we will look into it.

Change of Menu

On Wednesday 8th February the school will be having an Italian Day. Have a look at the menu below. **Buon appetito!**

Italian Day

Wednesday 8th February

Menu

BBQ Chicken Pizza

Pepperoni Pizza

Margareta Pizza (V)

Sweet Pepper Pasta (V)

Peas & Sweetcorn

Sauté Potatoes

Neapolitan Ice Cream & Sauce

Yoghurt

