



2 November 2018

Dear Parents,

A very warm welcome back to school and I do hope you had a lovely half term. Assembly this week was led by one of our parents Mrs. Laskey who is part of the school Eco club. This term, our whole school Assembly theme is focusing on how we can look after the environment. In school we will be focusing on three areas - biodiversity, water and waste. Each week we will also be celebrating in Assemblies the children in school who have been seen to be Eco Warriors - this could be collecting waste on the way to school or suggesting ideas. To launch our focus Mrs. Laskey shared with us her work she undertook to protect orangutans. She showed a video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TQQXstNh45g> about the effect that using unsustainable palm oil has on orangutans. Palm oil is a type of edible vegetable oil that is derived from the palm fruit, grown on the African oil palm tree. Oil palms are originally from Western Africa, but can flourish wherever heat and rainfall are abundant. Today, palm oil is grown throughout Africa, Asia, North America, and South America, with 85% of all palm oil globally produced and exported from Indonesia and Malaysia; but most of the time not using sustainable measures. As palm oil is used by many large companies, we are encouraging the children to write to these companies or draw a picture to share their worries, so that they use sustainable methods. I have enclosed some examples here:

Dear Kelloggs,

**I am very worried about you using unsustainable palm oil in your cereals. Deforestation in Indonesia is endangering orangutans and many other species, people are losing their homes and it is contributing to changing the world climate in very bad ways.**

**I like to eat cereal so please stop using dirty palm oil and help to save the rainforest and orangutans.**

Yours Sincerely,

Alice

If these could be into us by Wednesday via the school office, we will then send them off with the one we feel is the most persuasive becoming our first eco warrior of the week.


Have a lovely weekend

Mr Gould




**London Trip** – Don't forget meeting on Monday after School with further details (in Mrs Law's room) Deposits need to be returned by 7<sup>th</sup> November, to secure your child's place.

**Assemblies**- this term we are holding class assemblies. Details are in the diary dates section.

**Running club**  - starts Monday at 8:15am. Please come to the school office to meet in the hall. Foundation stage and Ks 1 children must be accompanied by an adult.

**School Council** - reminder our first meeting from 3:15-4pm on Thursday. If your child has a club they are excused that day. Please meet in Mrs. Saxton's class - Buds.

**Parish Council** - we had a wonderful afternoon bulb planting on the recreation ground. Thank you to the parish council for their support.

**Nativity performances**  - 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> December, tickets will be on sale soon.

**Christmas Card Designs** - Reminder, all cards must to be back to School by next Friday 9<sup>th</sup>.

 **BEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK GOES TO - R Oaks & Y Oaks** 

Date	Event	DIARY DATES 2018/19
9 November	Parent Assembly lead by Red Oaks	Remembrance- 2:40pm
16 November	Children in need non uniform day	
16 November	Parent Assembly lead by Bur Oaks	2.40pm
22 November	Bingo for children - Acorns & KS1	-5pm, KS2 6pm
23 November	Parent Assembly Young Oaks-	2.40pm
26 November	Learning Powers Open Afternoon-	2.30pm
30 November	Parent Assembly Seedlings-	2.40pm
30 November	Cake Sale Yr 4	- 3:15pm
7 December	Parent Assembly Buds-	2.40pm
14 December	Breakfast with Santa	7:30am
14 December	Christmas Fair	2 - 4:30pm
17 - 19 Dec	Reception, Year 1 and 2 Nativities	
19 Dec	Carol Service KS 2 St.Pauls Church-	6pm
20 Dec	Break up for Christmas holidays -	Christmas jumper day.
7 January	Back to school	
25 January	Cake Sale Yr 3	- 3:15pm
15 February	Cake Sale Yr 2	- 3:15pm
18- 22 Feb	Half term	
7 March	World Book Day	- dress up theme
15 March	Cake Sale Yr 1	- 3:15pm
5 April	Cake Sale - Acorns	- 3:15pm
8- 22 April	Easter holidays	
23 April	Back to school	
13 - 17 May	Year 6 SATS week	all in school
27 - 31 May	Half term	
21 June	Summer Fair	- 2- 4:30pm
26 June	Sports Day	

Tues 23 July	End of term - Break up for Summer
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