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### Term 3 2017-2018 – Week 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

Although the evenings are getting lighter, the weather is still very cold and wet so please ensure that your child has a suitable coat for school playtimes.

#### ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to High Peaks and Jungle Class who have had Attendance Bear.

	Underwater	Bugs	High Peaks	Jungle
Week 2	98.1%	95.6%	99.7%	93.6%
Week 3	94.8%	93.6%	92.8%	95.6%

#### REWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have received their pupil point awards in assembly:

300 pupil points –Bugs - Bea

400 pupil points- Jungle- Shane

600 pupil points- Bugs- Jack

900 pupil points- Jungle- Freddy

1400 pupil points- Jungle-Maisy B

#### PARTNERSHIP

##### Parent Consultation meeting

Thank you to all those who could attend the meetings this week, we hope you found them informative. We have attached the slides and notes with this newsletter. If anyone would like to meet me to discuss anything further then they can make an appointment through the school office. The consultation periods closes on Thursday 1st March so please make sure we have received your responses by then.

Please either email the response form to our Chair at dkong@laughton.e-sussex.sch.uk or drop it into the school office.

##### Additional partnership news:

This week staff had a joint staff meeting, led by our school improvement partner, Geraldine Wood. The focus was on effective teaching and learning and developing the role of middle leaders.

#### PGL REMINDER

Can we please remind parents in Jungle that the final few payments are now due for December and January. All payments for PGL must be made in full by March 2018 in order for us to finalise the booking for June 2018. This cost does not include transport but we have recently received some funding from the Chalvington Trust to help us provide this with no additional costs to parents.

#### Diary

##### January

30<sup>th</sup> 9a.m Underwater and Bugs workshop followed by EYFS and Yr 2 meeting

31<sup>st</sup> Reptile visit for Infant topic

##### February

2<sup>nd</sup> Inter house Cross Country p.m

6<sup>th</sup> Pancake breakfast

9<sup>th</sup> End of Term 3

19<sup>th</sup> Children return for Term 4

20<sup>th</sup> Parent consultations

21<sup>st</sup> Parent consultations

26<sup>th</sup> Swimming team gala

27<sup>th</sup> Netball tournament at Ringmer

##### March

23<sup>rd</sup> Sports Relief

Inter house 5 aside football

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### Paradise Park

The children in EYFS and KS1 enjoyed a brilliant and exciting adventure to Paradise Park on Tuesday with the children from Firle. It was lovely to see the children working collaboratively together, exploring the exhibitions, spotting dinosaurs and making up prehistoric games in the play areas.

“The dinosaurs were really interesting when we watched them move and I enjoyed pressing the buttons. It was really, really fun because we got to do lots of different things” Jack

“The dinosaurs in the Dinosaur Safari looked really realistic. The day was really fun because I conquered my fear of heights on the Triassic Treetop Trail and in the soft play” Yara



### ECO UPDATE

The Eco Warriors have been very busy encouraging everyone to recycle and be energy efficient, which is great to see. During our meeting this week, we discussed ways to improve our level of recycling.

We also launched our new 'energy saving checklist'. These have gone up in each room as a reference point for everyone to know what they can do to save energy when they leave the room and at the end of the school day. We have also been looking at some facts and figures about our electricity usage. If we exclude the 13,000 kwh of electricity our solar panels provide us we use 52,721 kwh per year from the national grid. For comparison, the average UK 3-bedroom house would use this amount over 12 years! In addition, it would run a modern TV for 1833 days continuously! To then generate this amount of electricity we are contributing 53 tons of CO2 to the atmosphere... this is the same as 442 cows in a year or one car driving 90,000 miles! We will be highlighting these figures in assembly so that everyone is aware of what really happens as most of us just switch on the lights and do not really think beyond that!

Eco Ernie had a great time in Jungle though he tells me he struggled with some of the SATS questions! He also enjoyed looking in the library at the brilliant model of how electricity is produced from a nuclear power station. This week's winners of Eco Ernie are High Peaks who have been doing a great job of recycling and turning out their lights when not in the room! Well done and keep up the good work!

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### SAFEGUARDING

At Laughton we take safeguarding very seriously. If you have any concerns of this nature, please contact Mrs Brown, or Mrs West, our Designated Child Protection Officers. They can also be contacted outside of school hours, by email.

Thank you for adhering to our no dogs policy before and after school at 3:15p.m, it is very much appreciated.

### LSA

Thank you to all those who attended the meeting last week. Please remember to come along to the next LSA event, the very popular pancake breakfast on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018. The breakfast starts at 8am in the hall, when the LSA serves up delicious warm pancakes with a variety of toppings, juice and hot drinks. Posters will be available shortly with further details.

### CHARITY EVENT

We are very proud to hear that Rhea (Year 1) and her Mum are having their hair cut off and raising money in support of The Little Princess Trust. If you would like to find out more about their endeavours, please visit the link below

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/littlewood-princess-fund>



### SCHOOL DINNERS

We would like to draw your attention to 2 themed menus planned in by Chartwells over the next few weeks. There will be a 'Pancake Day' menu on 9th February, which will only affect the pudding choice. There is also a Chinese Day on 20th February. Copies of the relevant menu changes will be sent out to you.

### STAFFING

As some of you are aware, Mrs Budd is currently signed off ill until half term. She is at home, on voice rest and we all wish her a speedy recovery. We look forward to seeing her back in Underwater as soon as possible.

Reminders

#### PARENT VIEW

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

#### EASY FUNDRAISING

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>

### PARENT WORKSHOPS:

This week Jungle and High Peaks enjoyed successful parent workshops, in their respective classes, looking at problem solving and reasoning strategies in maths.

May I remind you, there are two further workshops next week for EYFS and KSI. Underwater and Bugs will be having their workshop on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 9am**. The workshops will last for approximately 30 mins. After the workshops, there will be a short meeting for EYFS parents on 'How to help your child to succeed in EYFS and be school ready for Year 1' and a meeting for Year 2 parents in Bugs about KSI SATS.

Kind Regards  
Rachel West

Vicki Brown