Already we are in February and the cold has blown in.
We have several nasty coughs, colds and bugs doing the rounds so please look after yourselves!
Looking around the school it is lovely to see the children working so hard, but equally of how proud they are of their learning.
The school values seem to have taken hold and the children are regularly talking about selfless acts that they have seen or experienced.
It brings home how important this teaching is, but how it will positively impact on their lives as they grow. Those all important skills should never be lost.

Our value this half term is: PEACE

Headline...
Once a week
Take a peek

We have registered to take part in EDP’s Plant to Plate token collecting campaign. We could be in with a chance of winning £1000 worth of gardening equipment. If we collect over 1000 tokens, we will get a gardening pack worth £130. The first tokens appear on Saturday 18th January 2020. Please encourage others to save them for us too.
Collection box will be placed in our entrance lobby and at the Spar shop in Carbrooke.

Children on Gold
31/01/20 — 123
07/02/20 — 118

Our improvement focus for after half term will be around vocabulary. The thought process behind this is that the children will be able to understand the word, use it in context, spell it accurately and be able to use it in their writing—ultimately improving their writing further. Look out for sheets coming home that will help you support this further as they will generally be words linked to the class text or topic.

Friday 31st January 2020
Badger Class— Lylia
Barn Owl Class — Gracie-Mai
Dragonfly Class—Harley A
Fox Class — Alfie
Hedgehog Class —Divine
Grey Squirrel Class—Hattie
Red Squirrel Class — Lucie
Staff award— Georgia
Attendance award— Grey Squirrel
Team Points— Pullman Team (Green)
Value Award— Helen Howe

Friday 7th February 2020
Badger Class— Arthur
Barn Owl Class — Mia-Louise
Dragonfly Class— Kiera
Fox Class — Ella
Hedgehog Class — Aston
Grey Squirrel Class—Sam
Red Squirrel Class — Hailey
Staff award— Mrs Turner
Attendance award—Hedgehog Class
Team Points— Pullman Team (Green)
Value Award— Louie Talbot
After a half term of learning about Roald Dahl and the book ‘Charlie and the Chocolate Factory’ Year 4 will be planning and creating their own super sweet. Along with the chocolate, the children will be able to include their own ingredients and finally design the wrapping and packaging. Their learning has also covered writing such as a newspaper report (and the features of such a report) when the winners were coming forward.

Year 3 are coming to the end of their ‘Shang Dynasty’ topic and will be taking part in a China Day next week. Food, culture, writing and traditions will be shared in class—have you got some chopsticks they can have a go with?

**Breaking News: Sad to hear about the fire at our local Chinese restaurant**

Three of the classes have been learning about space this term—Reception, Year 5 and Year 6. The debates about ‘should animals be sent into space’ caused much discussion and thought provocation. While Reception have a dark tent and now a rocket in their classroom so they can experience what it might be like to be an astronaut.

Ethos Group is overseen by Miss Gray. It takes a selection of people from school, community, governors and parents. There are children who sit in this group too. If you would be interested in joining them or hearing more about what they do please speak to Miss Gray (Reception Teacher).

Earlier in the term we put out a request for a new parent governor. We had two applicants so needed to hold a ballot. However, in the mean time, we have been told we can have an additional parent governor on our local governing body, so I would like to formally announce that Gayle King and Sonja Kuzmic will both be invited to join us. Parent governors are bound to certain confidentiality arrangements and do not have influence over day to day decisions and issues.

**Dates for your diary:**

11/02 Ethos Group 2:30pm
12/02 Year 2 Café pm
14/02 China day for Year 3
14/02 School closes for Half Term
24/02 School opens for Spring Term 2nd
24/02 Behaviour presentation Year 5 & 6
25/02 Puppet Theatre to visit EYFS & Key Stage 1
25/02 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day lunch
26/02 Church Service—Value of Wisdom
02/03 Year 7 High School placement offer day
02/03 Year 5/6 Café pm
02/03 Parent Consultation with half year report
03/03 Parent Consultation with half year report
04/03 Year 2 cycle safety and bike check
05/03 World Book Day
06/03 EYFS Café pm (Nursery & Reception)
09-13/03 British Science Week: Our diverse planet
10/03 Year 6 visit to Crucial Crew
11/03 Kidz Club Collective Worship
11/03 Reception height/weight/vision/hearing
11/03 Cluster Sporting Event
13/03 Sport Relief Day
16/03 Key Stage 1 Singing rehearsal
20/03 Mother’s Day Café 2pm
01/04 Easter Service 9am at Church

Items marked in **BOLD**—parents are invited to attend.

**Handwriting Awards**

31/01 & 07/02
Drew & Oscar
Mason & Lilly
Kaila & Millie
Evie & Logan
Jacob R & Emily
Kai & Zuzanna
Tyler & Deacon

**Maths Marvels!**

31/01 & 07/02
Harry & Daisy
Lilianna & Zee
Emily & Louie
Shanice & Jessica
Emily & Demitri
Jayden & Dominik
Deacon & Archie

**Happy Birthday to:**

Holly (8)  Edward (5)  Harley A (7)  Zack (8)