

Friday 30th June 2023 Newsletter

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Dear Families,

Can you believe it's nearly the end of the school year! Where has that time gone?

The summer term is always a busy one, full of exciting activities and of course, changes. At this stage of the summer term, the children begin to think of what lies ahead. They will be full of mixed emotions; sadness as they near the end of their time in their current class, excitement and apprehension as they eagerly wait to move onto their new class or school.

We will support them through this, encouraging positivity as I know you will too.

Mrs Abbott
Headteacher

Tuesday 11th July - Open Afternoon

You are warmly welcomed into your child's classroom to see their learning journey so far between 2.00pm - 3.15pm. You can come into school and see your child's work and books. It is a time for us to celebrate and share your child's learning. This is a drop in session and also an opportunity for you to wander around the rest of the school and look at other classes especially your child's new class and see the topics/subjects they will be covering in the coming year. Children can leave once they have shown their parents/carers around. If you are unable to attend, your child will remain in their class. Please also visit Bees as all the children are very excited to show off their hard work.

Reports

On Friday 14th July you will receive your child's end of year report. There is an optional evening on Monday 18th July set aside, if you have any questions about their report. This is not a normal parents evening with a slot for each child, we only have limited slots available therefore please speak to your class teacher after you have received your report about booking an appointment if you feel this is necessary.

Summer Fair...

We are extremely grateful for your attendance and contribution at the school summer fair. The weather was glorious, the stalls fun and the barbeque delicious! Special thanks to Kate Telfer, Holly Piper and PTA team who spent many hours organising and running it. Also thank you to the governors for manning the barbeque and the staff for running the tea, coffee and cake stall. I know everyone had a fun day! Congratulations to the cake winners the cakes were delicious! We raised approx. £1800.



Our value for this term is
Independence

What's Coming Up...

Friday 14th July

Year 2 Leavers' Disco

Friday 21st July

End of Term

Check out our online calendar of events [here](#).

Inset days

As we are moving to becoming a member of Learning Partners our dates for inset days now have slightly changed. Learning partners have 7 inset days.

NEW INSET DATES

- **4th September 2023**
- **19th December 2023**
- **20th December 2023**
- **9th February 2024**
- **19th February 2024**
- **24th May 2024**
- **22nd July 2024**

Start of Autumn term Children return

Tuesday 5th September

Please note that this date might be different from other local Schools who follow Surrey term dates. **End of autumn term Monday 18th December 1.30pm.**

Book Amnesty...

Our school library books are important to our children and us. Throughout the year, many books are lost at home or are not returned. These books are very expensive to replace so please join our book amnesty and return any books that you find at home.

What's going on in school...

Year R Look Out Discovery Centre Trip...

Bees enjoyed a super trip to the Look Out Discovery Centre. They played in the Woods & Water Zone, the Light & Colour zone and the Forces & Movement, Body & Perception and Build It Zones. They also enjoyed a bugs and beasts session which included an interactive show covering topics such as food chains, habitats and animal classifications before heading into the forest for a bug hunt.



Bump Up Day

On Wednesday the children enjoyed Bump Up Day, where they got to meet their new teachers and LSA's, see their new classrooms/schools and completed some fun tasks in preparation for the new year ahead.

Next year's classes

Class	Teacher	LSA
Honeybees	Mrs King	Ms Tolchard
Bumblebees	Miss Fox	Miss Budd
Squirrels	Ms Bowes and Mrs Smith	Ms Russell
Foxes	Miss Betterton	Mrs King
Hedgehogs	Mr Parker	Mrs Higgs Mrs Mangan Rose & Mr Nathan
Otters	Miss Care	Mr Nathan

Office

We currently have temporary cover in the front office, until we are able to recruit a new staff member. Please kindly bear with us during this period. I would like to remind parents that the main point of contact with school is via the telephone or by the front office. Please note that emails are not monitored continually during the day.

Safeguarding...

Nut-Free School

If your child had a packed lunch please remember we are a nut free school, that also included chocolate spreads. As we do have children in school with allergies. **Also, do not include sweets, chocolate bars or flavoured drinks.**

Thank you for your cooperation.

International Day

On Friday we celebrated our International Day. It was a fun and exciting day with the children travelling around the world to visit each of the continents. There was dancing, tasting of foods and in assembly the children sang songs from France, Australia and Africa. The day ended with a delicious International market. Thank you to all the families that participated.



Scarlet Fever and Chicken Pox outbreaks There has been an increase in the number of scarlet fever and chickenpox outbreaks linked to nurseries and primary schools reported to UKHSA Health Protection Teams since the beginning of March 2022.

Signs and symptoms of Scarlet Fever Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or group A streptococcus (GAS). The early symptoms of scarlet fever include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. The scarlet rash may be harder to spot on darker skin, although the 'sandpaper' feel should be present. Patients typically have flushed cheeks and pallor around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a 'strawberry tongue'. As the child improves peeling of the skin can occur.

Infection control advice As per National Guidance on Infection Control in Schools and other Child Care Settings, children and adults with suspected scarlet fever should be excluded from nursery, school, or work for 24 hours after the commencement of appropriate antibiotic treatment. Good hygiene practice such as hand washing remains the most important step in preventing and controlling spread of infection.

Resources Scarlet fever FAQ: Scarlet fever: symptoms, diagnosis and treatment - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Hand hygiene resources for schools: <http://www.e-bug.eu>

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