

Dear parents and carers,

It has obviously been a challenging week but school has been a respite from the news and we've actually had a good week, continuing as normal and seeing the children enjoy their learning.

Our parents' evenings have been a real success and it was lovely to see how proud the children were of their work and their achievements this year. It was also great speaking to you all about the progress the children have made. Thank you for attending these important catch ups.

We have had a variety of sporting events this week, including some really exciting football matches against St Jude's on Monday, which were both narrow defeats. The teams played really well in the rain and there were some fantastic goals scored. Well done to all of the players. Congratulations also to all of the children that took part in the mini-olympics today, as well as to the children in years 5 and 6 that played in the tag rugby tournament.

We've also begun our science week and the children have all been doing experiments that involve attempting to prevent snowmen from melting with well chosen materials! This has been really fun thus far and will continue into next week.

I have a few site updates for you as well. We've booked the work on the field to take place in the Easter holidays, which is great news. In due course, we are likely to have important drainage work beginning in the reception playground of which I will keep you informed. We look forward to some of the major improvements that will take place over the coming terms.

Stay safe and have a good weekend.

Kind regards,

Mr Daniel Tuck  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates

- 16 Mar Scholastic Book Fair Week
- 18 Mar Year 4 Residential (leave at 9am)
- 18 Mar Nursery & YR1 Creature Courage Visit
- 19 Mar Year 4 Residential
- 19 Mar Voice In A Million Concert
- 20 Mar Year 4 Residential (return at 3pm)
- 25 Mar Parent Forum—Behaviour and Values (9.15am)
- 26 Mar YR6 Body Worlds
- 27 Mar YR1 Class Assembly (9.00am)
- 31 Mar YR6 SATS Meetings (3.00pm/6.00pm)
- 3 Apr **INSET Day—School Closed**
- 6-17Apr **Easter Holidays**
- 20 Apr Children Return to school (8.45am)
- 21 Apr YR6 Residential Meetings (3.00pm/6.00pm)
- 22 Apr YR1 London's Burning Workshop
- 27 Apr YR2 Windsor Castle
- 27 Apr Surrey Music Festival (School Choir)
- 5 May Reception Bocketts Farm
- 7 May **INSET Day—School Closed**
- 8 May **Bank Holiday—School Closed**
- 11 May YR6 SATS week
- 20 May ISP Drop-in Session (3.15—4.45pm)
- 22 May Break for Half Term (3.00pm)
- 1 Jun Children return to school (8.345am)
- 10 Jun Dorking Halls Music Festival (School Choir)
- 11 Jun YR6 Elmbridge Junior Citizen Event 2020
- 15 Jun YR6 Land and Wave Residential starts
- 15 Jun 2020 Reception Parent Welcome Meeting (6.00pm)
- 16 Jun YR3 Parent Assembly (9.00am)
- 19 Jun YR6 Land and Wave Residential ends
- 22 Jun 2020 Nursery Parent Welcome Meeting (6.00pm)
- 30 Jun Reception Parent Assembly (9.00am)

Please note that dates are subject to change.



If you have any spare wool at home that you no longer need, please can you hand it into the school office for our Nursery children's art activities.

Thank you.

## Attendance last week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94.6%	92.7%	93.3%	97.6%	96.3%	94.7%	95.6%

Well done to **Year 3** for the best year group attendance

Well done to **Falcons** for the best class attendance at **99.6%**

## Year Group Attendance from beginning of September 2019

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
93.6%	92%	95.7%	95.3%	96.2%	94.3%	94.8%

Overall attendance percentage to date: **94.6%** - Target: **96%**

# CERTIFICATES



<i><b>Class</b></i>	<i><b>Behaviour</b></i>	<i><b>Achievement</b></i>	<i><b>Writer</b></i>
Otters	Flynn	Sofia	Martin
Squirrels	Aurora	Iyla	Ivy
Flamingos	Kate	Daniel	Violet
Penguins	Ronny	Lennon	Zakary
Dolphins	Poppy P	River	Venoth
Orcas	Ella	Tyler	Evie
Seals	Charlie	Evie	Riley
Giraffes	Ollie B	Lara	Oliver M
Zebras	Piriyanka	Scarlet	Olivia
Leopards	Toby	Haider	Belal
Panthers	Oliver	Alan	Damien
Eagles	Beau	Arjun	Jack
Falcons	Ronnie	Julian	Kacper
Kestrels	Kian	Lily	Tianna
Cobras	Liam	Cameron	Charlie
Pythons	Lilly-Mai	Daisy	Whole Class



**Grammar Wizard**

Mahnaz—Seals

# IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK...

## NURSERY

This week in nursery we have been learning all about pirates. We had an amazing dress up day last Friday, everyone looked fantastic! A pirate left a message in a bottle in our classroom, we followed his map and went on a treasure hunt and luckily found chocolate treasure! We have been busy doing lots of counting using coins and jewels and have also made our own maps and compasses.

## RECEPTION

This week we have been learning about rhyming words through rhyming stories. We have read and listened to 'Rumble in the Jungle' and spotted the rhyming words throughout the story. We have also written our own rhyming lists and matched rhyming pictures together. In maths we have been halving shapes and food items with accurate lines and halving numbers by sharing equally between two groups.

## YEAR 1

In year 1 we have been writing about our special toys. We have used adjectives to describe it and have explained why it is so special to us and who bought it for us. We have also continued to practise searching for digraphs and trigraphs in real and alien words to help us with our phonics.

In maths this week we have been very fair and have looked at sharing. We have been investigating how numbers can be shared into 2 equal groups and have used lots of practical equipment to help support this. We have also been counting in 5's all the way to 100.

In science we enjoyed looking at a bird and a fox and used a Venn diagram to sort labels for parts of each animal and parts that are common to both.

## YEAR 2

Year two have had a great time during science week investigating which snowman would melt the quickest. We also observed melting an ice cube and a chocolate button in our hands, but found that the button melted much quicker in our mouths, yum! Following on from our wonderful writing of 'Cinderboy' last week, we transformed into authors again, to write our own versions of the story. One example was Cindergran who wanted to go to the Strictly dance final, but her evil stepdaughters made her clean the house. Maths has been naming, describing and sorting 3d shapes using words like faces, edges, vertices, curved surface and apex.

## YEAR 3

Year 3 have been busy this week. We have been learning about fractions in maths. The children have written some amazing non-chronological reports about Woolly Mammoths and in art have started making their own woolly mammoth out of the milk bottles they brought in. We are really enjoying seeing their creativity - especially in their homework!

## YEAR 4

In year 4 this week, the children have been writing and editing their own information texts about Roman life and they have published them on Google slides including pictures and captions. In maths, the children have been calculating using improper and mixed fractions and they have begun to make links to decimals in terms of tenths and hundredths. In science, the children carried out an experiment involving seeing how quickly an ice snowman would melt if they insulated it with different materials.

## YEAR 5

This week in year 5 we have been revisiting the different areas of maths studied over the past few weeks and have been busy practising our times tables. In English, we have started to think about adventurous language to use in our diary entries for the mummification process next week. In science, we were challenged with the task of keeping an ice lolly frozen without the use of a freezer - some of us managed to keep it frozen by insulating it with different materials.

## YEAR 6

Year six have started planning a missing chapter from Pig Heart Boy, and have been interpreting and drawing pie charts.



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**BOOK  
DAY**

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Thank you to those parents who collected the tokens from the Sun to go towards books for the school. Although we didn't manage to collect the amount of tokens required, The Sun have very kindly still let us have a box of books for our library worth over £600.00 (see picture) so a big thank you to The Sun Newspaper!





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## March 16th-21st

**Monday - Wednesday 3 - 5.00 pm**

**Tuesday 7.30 - 9.00 pm**

**followed by Compline 9 - 9.30 pm**

**Saturday 10.00 am - 3.00 pm**

Suitable for children, families and adults alike

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