

Dear parents/carers,

Our week got off to a fantastic start with an amazing space themed assembly from Year 5. We saw some wonderful creative writing, singing and dancing and were so impressed by the contributions that all the children made. Well done Eagles and Kestrels.

All the children have enjoyed participating in inter-faith week. We have had some wonderful assemblies exploring Judaism, Islaam and Christianity and the children asked some important and thoughtful questions. We have also had a great response to our anti-bullying week poster competition. It is certainly going to be difficult to choose the winners!

Our football team had a challenging match yesterday against St James School who were overall winners of the tournament at Royal Holloway last week. As ever we were proud of all of our players, they are improving every week and have such a positive sense of team spirit. FROGS have very kindly offered to provide refreshments for the players at our sporting fixtures, for which we are very grateful.

Today we have been thinking of children who are less fortunate than us and how we can raise money for them through Children in Need. Thank you so much for your wonderful donations, the children looked fantastic and have very much enjoyed being spotty for the day!

Finally, we welcomed Dominic Raab (MP for Esher and Walton) to our school today. He enjoyed a tour of the school, hearing our plans for future developments and of course meeting many of our wonderful pupils. Please see below for pictures of Dominic with the children in Pythons class.

We hope that you have a wonderful weekend, see you on Monday!

Best wishes,

Mrs Coleman and Mrs Chadda

Dates for your Diary

2017 Autumn Term

23 Nov	Swans Cinema Trip
28 Nov	Nasal Flu Immunisations (R to Yr 4)
12 Dec	YR 3 & 4 Carol Concert—10.30am (St Mary's) YR 3 & 4 Carol Concert— 6.30pm (St Mary's)
13 Dec	YR 5 & 6 Carol Concert—10.30am (St Mary's) YR 5 & 6 Carol Concert— 6.30pm (St Mary's)
14 Dec	Reception Christmas Play—9.30am (parents/ siblings) Reception Christmas Play—2.00pm (adults only)
15 Dec	YR 1 & 2 Christmas Play—9.30am (parents/ siblings) YR 1 & 2 Christmas Play—2.00pm (adults only)
16 Dec	FROGS Christmas Fair
20 Dec	Nursery Christmas Concert—am Bears 11.00am —pm Bears 2.15pm Christmas Lunch
21 Dec	END OF TERM—2.00pm
4 Jan	Back to school
Insets	9th February 2018 16th April 2018 23rd July 2018

NB. Please note dates are subject to change.

Early Years = Nursery & Reception /
KS1 = Years 1 & 2 / KS2 = Years 3, 4, 5, 6

SCHOOL OFFICE OPENING HOURS MONDAY—FRIDAY 8.30AM TO 3.30PM

If you wish to report an absence please call 01932 227816 (selecting option 1) and leave a message. Calls must be made by 09:30 at the latest to safeguard our children.

Thank you

SCHOOL DINNERS

Please pay dinner money in advance every Monday or, alternatively, you can pay half termly using our online payment facility. Should you require log-in details for online payments, please speak to the main office. The cost of a school meal is £2.25.

Please notify the office of any changes to school meal preferences a week in advance in writing.

Attendance Matters

If your child is unable to attend school, you must phone the school office before 09.30am on the day of the absence. If no message is left in the office, your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Please be aware that The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 state that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. The Headteacher should determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if leave is granted.

In accordance with the above Regulations, requests for leave of absence are treated sympathetically, but only in exceptional circumstances can they be approved. The policy of the Government to which this school has agreed, states that parents who take their child out of school for five days or more during term time, without the authority of the Headteacher, will each be liable to receive a penalty notice. Penalty Notices will be issued by the Local Authority.

The penalty is £60 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice, rising to £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days of receipt of the notice. If the penalty is not paid in full by the end of the 28-day period the Local Authority must prosecute the recipient for failing to ensure regular school attendance under section 444 Education Act 1996.

Please be aware that each parent is liable to receive a Penalty Notice for each child who incurs unauthorised absences, for example, if there are two parents and one child, each parent will receive one Penalty Notice.

Children In Need Mufti Day

Today we have been raising money for Children In Need. Here is a photo of Swans class in their spotty clothes! We will let you know how much we raised as soon as we have added up all the pounds!

Thank you for your support!



CERTIFICATE OF GRATITUDE

Thank you

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for taking part in our Toe to Toe initiative.

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Football

The Year 6 boys had another smashing football match last night against the winners of last week's tournament: St James' School. The first half was a draw at 1-1. The boys were incredible and played their socks off. There were two players of the match this week. Che for his strength in defence and immense speed up front and Louis for his incredible saves and never letting his head go down. Unfortunately, they didn't manage a win but they are off the Ashley School this evening, for another exciting match. Good luck boys!



Year 1 Inter House Competition

Year 1 have been working on improving their ball skills in PE. Linking to this, they all competed in their first inter house competition yesterday. The competition included target practice games, relay races and a scatter bag game.

The overall winners were Sycamore house!

Well done to everyone who took part. Mrs Matthews says that the children's ball skills have clearly improved and their behaviour on the day was excellent. Keep it up Year 1!



Remembrance Sunday

By Ollie Fielder - Year 5



Remembrance Sunday is a day when we have a 2-minute silence to remember the soldiers that have died in the wars but also those who have risked their lives and who are still soldiers today. Remembrance Day is always on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month as this is when World War 1 ended.

On the cold, windy Sunday of the 12th of November the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Guides and Brownies gathered together at St James Church in Weybridge for a service to remember. I had the honour of holding and parading with the 4th Weybridge Cub scout group for this service. First we had to march to the front of the church and our flags were placed on display. Later on after the Minister had spoken and we had sung a few hymns we had to collect our flags and stand at the front and lower the flag for the 2- minute silence. This was quite tricky as it was heavier as the time went by. The only flag that was not lowered was the British flag.



At the end of the day I felt very proud of myself because I understood that the soldiers that had died had risked their lives for us and our freedom. I hope all the other flag bearers felt as proud as I did.



Congratulations to Sam in Kestrels class who competed in the Epsom Downs Cross Country competition. The race was run over 1.2 miles and Sam came 34th out of 156 competitors. Well done Sam!



Dominic Raab (MP for Esher and Walton) Visits Grovelands!

Today, Dominic Raab (MP for Esher and Walton) came to visit Grovelands. We gave him a school tour to show him our best learning in classrooms. Here are a few photos of Mr Raab with some of the Year 6 children.



We would like to remind parents that we are a healthy school. Therefore, sweets are not allowed to be brought into school on children's birthdays.



WALTON'S CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF LIGHT

Saturday 25th November

Some of our children are representing the school in the Lantern Parade, which sets off from the Heart Plaza at 5.30p.m.

The children worked really hard during their lantern workshop this week and we look forward to seeing them show off their fantastic creations.

If you are planning to attend the Festival, please come along and cheer on the school during the parade.

Attendance last week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.8%	97%	95.8%	97.9%	98.6%	94.6%	94.5%

Well done to **Year 4** for the best year group attendance
Well done to **Zebras** for the best class attendance **99.6%**

Year Group Attendance from beginning of September 2017

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.5%	97%	96.8%	97.1%	97%	96%	96.1%

Overall attendance percentage to date: 96.7%
Target: 96%

CERTIFICATES



Class

Achievement

Writer of the Week

Flamingos

Ben

Harry

Swans

Alena

Niall

Dolphins

Lucy

Rosie

Seals

Matthew

Kayla

Antelopes

Aidan

Daisy

Giraffes

Phoebe

Jack

Zebras

Jaila

Caidon

Leopards

Jemma

Phoebe

Panthers

Charlie

Laszlo

Eagles

Meryn

Aidan

Kestrels

Keely

Hannah

Cobras

Ashton

Emillie

Pythons

Charlotte

Holly



Pen Licence

Charlotte (Cobras),

Dylan (Cobras),

Chloe (Zebras), Elijah (Antelopes)



Grammar Wizard

Shelbie (Cobras)

WELL DONE EVERYONE



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WALTON'S CHRISTMAS

SATURDAY 25 NOVEMBER

9:30-19:30

FESTIVAL OF LIGHT

Lantern Parade 17:30
Light Switch-on 18:00



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