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Everyone learning, everyone caring!

Friday 16th March, 2018

Dear Parents,

Lent Challenge



Water Aid appeal

As part of this year's Lent Challenge, School Council ran an excellent assembly about Water Aid. All children have had the chance to make Water Warrior masks (see above) and learn about the importance of clean water. Water Aid raises funds to provide clean drinking water and proper toilets in parts of Africa and Asia, thereby reducing disease and improving the quality of life. We asked children to bring in 50p towards the cause – so far we have raised £62, but we hope some more children will bring in their 50ps - please support this great charity. Thank you.

Next week we will be **TREASURING** our environment and planting seeds and bulbs about the place to make Elm look lovely. If you can help this green project in any way, please speak to your child's class teacher. This will support our Lent Challenge efforts. Thank you.

Parent consultation

This is just a reminder that we have parent consultation discussions next week for all classes on Wednesday and Thursday, (not Year 5). If you have not already done so, please make an appointment with your child's class teacher to discuss his/her progress and set some targets. We are providing crèche facilities as usual, but on this occasion in Year 5. Thank you.

Clubs

Due to consultation evenings and other commitments there will be no clubs provided by school staff from next week until the end of term. Premier Sports clubs will continue up until the end of term.

From the office

A reminder that school lunches should be paid for in advance or on the day the lunch is to be taken and not in arrears. It is £ 2.35 per meal or £ 11.75 per week

Science Day

We had a good Science Day on Monday (teachers organised some great activities in every class), but sadly our "Boffins" failed to appear. We expect have a Science visit before too long. Many thanks to the staff and to Mrs. Barrett who organised things.

Rocksteady Concert

On Wednesday the Rocksteady tutor and children will present a short concert in the school hall at 10 a.m. If your child has these lessons you are able to attend the concert and we look forward to seeing you there.

Traffic problems

Can we remind parents not to park in front of the school entrance as it is dangerous. Can we also ask parents to talk to their children who cycle to school, or outside school, to tell them they should not cycle on the pavement or on the school premises. Thank you.

Attendance

This week the best attendance was in Kestrels with 100%. Well done!! Overall attendance was 97.04% which is a lot better, and attendance this year has improved a little to 95.01%. Thank you for your support.

Class		Attendance
Robins	Reception	93.67%
Owls	Year 1	98%
Swans	Year 2	95.67%
Magpies	Year 3	97.14%
Kestrels	Year 4	100%
Kingfishers	Year 5	97.46%
Eagles	Year 6	97.33%

Achievement awards

Good to be green certificates: Ava Reader, Sophie Smithee, Fifi Plunkett, Ella Woodbridge, Abbigail Myles, Swayley Smith, Savanna Redworth, Grace Clarke, Lily Raven, Alexis Loveridge, Kelly-Marie Smith, Grantas Samuilis, Thien Clare and Gracie Carter. Well done!

Learning awards: Isabelle Burton, Sahara Rose, Deacon Barnes, Will Garfoot, Peter Full, Verity Baines and Emi Plunkett. Well done!

Lunchtime awards: Lacey Pearl, Oscar Ford, Ralphie Lloyd and Slava Perunovs. Well done!

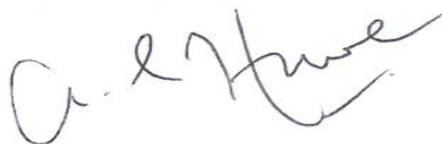
Lexia: Casey Alpin and Ellie-May Mitcham. Well done.

We also presented some Tackling Tables awards and Science awards in assembly.

Dates for the diary

- Easter concerts for Years 3, 4 and 5 on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th March at 2 p.m.
- The Spring Term ends on Thursday 29th March and the summer term begins on Monday 16th April.
- The Spring Term consultation evenings will take place on 21st and 22nd March, except for Year 5.

Yours sincerely,



Headteacher