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Everyone learning, everyone caring!

Friday 27th April, 2018

Dear Parents,

Meetings next week and beyond

- On Monday we are holding a meeting for parents of children going to Grafham Water to explain what's happening. This will be at 3.30 p.m. in Year 6.
- On Thursday we are holding a meeting for parents in Reception (Robins Class) to talk about what children will need to be able to do in Year 1 in terms of reading and writing skills. This will be at 2.30 p.m. in the hall.

Our stimulating curriculum

- On Monday we have our postponed Science day. The Science Boffin will come and take assembly on Monday morning and then there will be class workshops throughout the day. Looks like an exciting event. Many thanks to the Elm School Association who are meeting the costs.
- On Tuesday Years 3 (Magpies) and Year 4 (Kestrels) will be working with ZooLab. They will have the chance to find out about various animals and handle them too.
- Swimming starts for Years 1 (Owls) and 2 (Swans) on Thursday morning next week. Don't forget those costumes. A bit of practice in terms of changing independently, drying themselves, etc. would be helpful especially for those children doing this for the first time.



Key Stage 2 children working hard on maths problem solving!

Free School Meals

As from 1st April 2018 there is a new income threshold of £7400 net (take home pay) for all families receiving or going onto Universal Credit. If you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals please ask the office staff for an application form.

Attendance

This week the best attendance was in Magpies with 98.57%. Well done!! Overall attendance was 96.47% this week, which is respectable.

Class		Attendance
Robins	Reception	95.67%
Owls	Year 1	95.67%
Swans	Year 2	96.67%
Magpies	Year 3	98.57%
Kestrels	Year 4	96.56%
Kingfishers	Year 5	97.17%
Eagles	Year 6	95%

Achievement awards

Good to be green: Isabelle Burton, Samuel Grigaliunas, Amelia Bowers, Alice Lines, Kyan Griffiths, Jake Ford, Molly Whitby, Lilly-Ella Warden, Thomas Ryan, Maisy Reed, Lilley-May Roberts, Jake Gibson, Jack Ruff and Shelby Gathercole. Well done!

Learning awards: Jack Cuthill, Ethan Smith, Fletcher Wabe, Tilly Judge, Lily Raven, Callum Clarke and Alfie Nichols.. Well done.

Lunchtime awards: Reece Barnes, Jake Ford, Mason Hills and Vanessa Bulwa. Well done.

Lexia awards: – well done!

Pen licences: . Well done!

Weekly worship themes: why do we pray?

We will be considering why we pray next week. Children will be encouraged to write prayers and we will display them in the hall.

Trainers Day

Next Friday the Elm School Association has designated as Trainers Day. Wear your trainers to school for 50p

Dates for the diary

- SATs week (Year 6 and Year 2) starts Monday 14th May. Year 2 continue into the following week.
- Half term week will be Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June.
- Children finish school this year on Friday 20th July.
- Village Fete: Friday 15th June 3.15 – 6 p.m.
- Sports day Wednesday 20th June.
- **Term dates 2018/19**

Autumn term Thursday 6th September – Wednesday 19th December 2018

Half term: Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October 2018.

Spring term: Monday 7th January – Friday 5th April 2019

Half term: Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February 2019.

Summer term: Wednesday 24th April – Wednesday 24th July 2019.

Half term: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2019.

All training days have already been included.

Yours sincerely,



Headteacher