



## Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

### **Parent Questionnaire,**

We have decided to send the parent questionnaire home today as this will give you a bit longer before you need to hand it into school by Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February. Please let the school office know if your child did not come home with one and we will be happy to supply you with another copy. This will also be available on our website in the 'letters home' section. Thank you for your support.

### **Parent Forum**

The initial meeting of our new parent forum took place yesterday. It was a very useful discussion and we will be meeting again on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 2pm. In the future, the meetings will take place every term but initially and for getting the forum off the ground, we felt that meeting every half term would be better. The meeting yesterday was well attended and we very much appreciate that some parents gave up their time to attend. We had parents from Saplings, Year R, 1, 2 and 3 but we would really like representation from Year 4. If any of you can make the next meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> February, we would love to see you there! A letter will be going home soon regarding this, with a tear-off slip, so that we know how many of you will be coming. Minutes of yesterday's meeting will be posted on our website shortly on the new Parent Forum Page (which you can find by clicking on the 'Parents' tab). Thank you for all your support.

### **Updated Date Sheet**

The Spring Term Dates for 2019 have been amended to include the change of date for the Parent Questionnaire, the next date for the Parent Forum and the Y4 Roman Day. This will be posted on our website and is included at the end of this newsletter for your information.

### **Kids' Club Payments**

Please remember to log into your ParentPay account and clear any Kids' Club fees that are due for payment. We have several fees outstanding and these need to be paid – thank you for your cooperation.

### **Service Road leading to our Firs School Car Park**

Thank you to all for supporting us by not driving into our service road. This has made a great difference making this area so much safer. We will continue to patrol this area and would appreciate your continued support with this.

### **Achievement Assembly**

Achievement assembly will be on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January rather than Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January next week, so please could any awards be brought in this Monday – thank you.

### **PE Kit**

Please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit in school. As it is the start of the spring term, we would expect all children to have this in school but some children have not had a PE kit in school this week. It is so important that all children take part in their PE lessons and that they have the correct PE kit in school. Please support us with this, thank you.

### **KS2 Football at lunchtime**

If the field is dry, the Y3 and Y4 children have been taking turns in playing football during lunchtime. Please can your child bring some trainers and tracksuit bottoms in a bag into school, so that they can change at lunchtime if they would like to play football.

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| <b>January</b>             | <b>Our Value for the month- Respect</b>  |
| Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>  | Y4 St Albans Trip  |
| Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>    | 5 <sup>th</sup> Instalment for Grafham due   |
| Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>   | Premier Sport after school archery begins 3.30 – 4.30pm  |
| Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> | Premier Sport before school club cheerleading begins 8.00 – 8.45am   |
| Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>  | Initial Parent Forum Meeting 2.30 – 3.15pm in The Hollows  |
| Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>    | Parent questionnaire go home   |
| Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>  | Interim reports go home  |
| <b>February</b>            | <b>Our Value for the month- Honesty</b>  |
| Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>     | PTA Film night   |
| Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>     | Deadline for parent questionnaire to be returned   |
| Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>    | Internet Safety Day – Whole School<br>Last session of Premier Sport after school archery                       |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Last session of Premier Sport before school cheerleading   |
| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>     | Final Grafham Instalment due<br>Dress down Day for PTA funds – suggested donation £1 per child                 |
| Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>    | HALF TERM WEEK   |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>  | Parent Forum meeting at 2pm in The Hollows   |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>    | Baden Powell Thinking Day – Children can come to school in their beavers, rainbows, cubs and brownie uniforms. |
| <b>March</b>               | <b>Our Value for the month- Tolerance</b>  |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Bedtime Stories 5.00 - 6.30pm whole school and Saplings  |
| Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>   | World Book Day – children to dress up as their favourite character   |
| Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>   | Y3 Faith Tour  |
| Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>    | Comic Relief – non-uniform day – suggested donation £1 per child   |
| Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> | Y4 Grafham Water Residential   |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>  |  |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>    |  |
| Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>   | Parent consultation evening for the whole school – 4pm – 8pm   |
| Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>  | Parent consultation evening for the whole school – 4pm – 6.30pm  |
| <b>April</b>               | <b>Our Value for the month- Freedom</b>  |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>     | Last session of Teddy Tennis Football Club   |
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | Last session of Teddy Tennis Club<br>Spring Music Concert 6.30 – 8.00pm – details to follow                    |
| Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Y4 Roman Day – children will need an outfit and a letter will follow   |
| Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>   | Y2 Seaside Experience Day (in school!)   |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>     | PTA Easter Egg Raffle<br>Final (Easter) Assembly<br>School ends at 3.30pm for the Easter holiday.              |
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Yours sincerely,

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