



I think we are all ready for a half-term break. It is lovely that the sun has been shining today, I hope the weather will continue like this next week too.

The children had a great time at the discos and we have raised another £550 towards our purchase of Kindles, also thank you to the Potter family who have personally donated money towards our fundraising efforts.

After half term on the 14th March we are going to hold a coffee morning with myself, Mrs Hunt and Miss Bray at 9:00am for any parents who want to come along to have a chat, we can also explore ideas for further fundraising the school could do.

Now that all building work has finished Beech class will be entering and exiting the classroom by their class door after half term.

Today has been extremely busy with Y6 going on their reward trip, dojo celebrations, our attendance reward assembly and extra play for those children whose attendance has been 96%+ for this half term. We have given out **259** 100% certificates for this half term. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring your children are In school, On time, Everyday.

The half termly attendance winners are **Orchid** and **Ash** class, they will have a non-uniform day on the first Monday after the half-term break. Well done and keep it up! Our attendance this week was **96.2%** which is great, our overall attendance since September is **94.8%** which is moving in the right direction.

Wishing you all a very restful half term break

Mrs N Kemp
Headteacher



Dates:

February

15th—Last day of half term

25th—Return to school

28th—Year 3 Fire safety talk

March

1st—Year 1 Pirate/Fairytale dress up day

1st—Primrose visiting local library (pm)

W/C 4th—Book Week

4th—Movie Night –5-7pm (places to be booked)

6th—Movie Night—5-7pm (places to be booked)

7th—World Book Day—dress up day

8th—Buttercup visiting local library (pm)

Inset Days—24th May 2019



World Book Day

Book Week will be held on the week beginning 4th March with a range of different activities for the children to participate in.



Book Fair will be held afterschool from Monday-Friday, please come and have a look. All books purchase raise money for books for the school.



World Book Day will be on the 7th March and children are asked to dress up as their favourite book characters (the theme for this year is 'Heroes and Villains').

On this day, there will be a competition held for any children that have created an egg as their favourite book character. There will also be a book swap which will take place in the children's classrooms. Please bring in (to your child's class) any books that your child no longer reads so that another child can enjoy it!

Homework book pages to be completed

Yr1— Comprehension P8

Yr2— Year 2 practice SATS booklets. Maths & English

Yr3— Maths P18-19

Yr4— Comprehension, P12-13 The ration book Olympics.

Plus item set on ActiveLearn.

Yr5— Spellings, abacus reading activity & maths homework.

Yr6— Set weekly via class teacher.



Movie nights will be held on 4th and 6th March to raise funds for the school library. Details were emailed out on 14th February, please book your child(rens) place(s) online using the SIMs Agora system.



Wall of Achievement

Week of 11th February 2019



- Buttercup Class— Daniel D
- Daffodil Class— Ryan G
- Primrose Class— Charley E
- Bluebell Class— Georgia M
- Rose Class— Alfie C
- Tulip Class— Enoch A
- Lavender Class— Ellie W
- Orchid Class— Isabelle F
- Sunflower Class— Lois H
- Birch Class— Charlie N
- Hawthorn Class— Izzy C
- Pine Class— Jaycee-Lu S
- Ash Class— Freddy P
- Beech Class— Riva N
- Maple Class— Ronnie S
- Olive Class— Mara O-D
- Sycamore Class— Sophie S
- Willow Class— Lexi D
- Elder Class— Dylan B
- Elm Class— Billy S
- Oak Class— George A

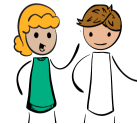


Talk it topics

Talk it topics are an opportunity for children to discuss and issue or idea throughout the week, at play or lunchtime, during the daily mile etc. It encourages children’s communication skills as well as debating skills and is fun.

We will be covering a different topic in school each week. This weeks topic will be—

What type of animal makes the best pet and why?.....



Reminders

Yr 6—please bring in any clean reusable/recyclable items for your child to use in a project next half term. Plastic bottles, card board boxes, wrapping paper tubes etc.

Trip/event permission—for safeguarding reasons we will no longer be accepting verbal permissions for trips and all consent forms needed are to be returned at latest 1 day before the event. If we do not receive permission then your child will not be able to attend the trip.

Afterschool clubs—will resume the first week back from half term. Guitar lesson letters will be issued when we return to current pupils.



Attendance and Punctuality

It is vitally important that children arrive at school on time and ready to learn. We would like to bring to your attention that **children arriving after 9.05am will now be marked down as an unauthorised absence** which can result in a referral to Essex County Council and a possible fine. We would really appreciate your help in making sure children attend school on time and we will be contacting parents for persistent lateness. We would ask that you also try to arrange doctors/dentist and other appointments outside of the school day as we have an increasing number of children being collected early or throughout the day. This has a knock on effect with your child’s learning and also can disrupt the class.

The classes with the best attendance this week were—KS1 Orchid Class with 98% and KS2 Beech Class with 98.4%. The overall school attendance this week is 96.2%. Our attendance since September is 94.8%, we would appreciate your help in trying to raise this further to meet our target of 96%.



We are now running a team point system across the school this weeks results are as follows—

- 1st place— Green
- 2nd place— Red
- 3rd place— Blue
- 4th place— White



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We provide football opportunities for children and adults with Special Needs. We are a Charter Standard football club and all our coaches are FA trained and have been DBS checked. We are always looking for new players with any disability. In addition, we have in place Girls only sessions and are looking for players and any Female coaches who would be interested in leading the sessions. For further information please contact John Smith on 07814 227304 or email smithjohn111rough@googlemail.com.

