



Dear Parents and Carers

Let's hope for a less chilly weekend ahead! Apologies for the icy playground on Tuesday – the site was checked at 7am and again at 7:45 and was totally ice free! The temperature then dropped just before the start of the school day, not allowing enough time to grit the playground – this takes some time to do as I am sure you can imagine. We do not have any fancy machinery, it is a wheelbarrow and shovel job and takes a long time to do the carparks and the playground. We did grit areas of the playground in time for playtime etc. The site has been thoroughly checked on subsequent days and we will continue to do this as the cold snap continues. As you are aware, Mr Sandiford was also off sick, leaving us less experienced gritters to do the job, but he is now back at work, so it will be far more expertly done in the coming days and weeks when needed.



COLLECTION OF YOUR CHILD AFTER SCHOOL

If someone else is collecting your child on a particular day, can we ask that you pass this message on to the Senior Leadership Team member in the playground in the morning please? They are there to take any messages from you to enable the class teachers to start the teaching day as quickly as possible. This is the expectation from Ofsted. We do appreciate that sometime things occur during the day and that the arrangements for the person collecting your child may change, however sometimes the office staff receive in excess of 20-30 calls, often at the end of the day when the office is very busy. This makes it very challenging to deliver all the messages in time and to man the office properly. Unless it is an emergency that occurs during the school day, PLEASE could you try to ensure that you let the person on the playground know first thing in the morning, or that you contact the office BEFORE 2:45pm if you would like a change to the usual arrangements for your child. Many thanks for your support and understanding.

Mrs Bennett



Very sadly, Mrs Bennett will be leaving us at Easter. She is leaving due to personal reasons and is in fact taking a break from teaching. We will be extremely sad to lose such a committed and wonderful member of our team and we will all miss her terribly. Mrs Bennett has worked here since she was a newly qualified teacher so this has been a difficult decision for her. I am sure you will join us in wishing her the very best for the future.

Lodge Hill Residential – Year 5



Just a reminder that if your child would like to attend the residential trip in June this year, please make sure you have completed the slip and paid your deposit of £20 either by Parentmail or cash to the office by 31st January. Any queries, please contact the office.

Young Voices

Final Reminder for Young Voices to practice singing and dancing at the weekend ready for their show at the 02 on Monday.

YEAR 1

Year 1 would love junk modelling items for next week. Items such as kitchen rolls, cereal boxes, bottle tops, clean milk bottles, string, small cardboard boxes, yoghurt pots, actimel pots, margarine pots etc. Many thanks

Reception Class

We have been overwhelmed with the donations of role play equipment received in Kandinsky Class since last week's newsletter, thank you to the families who very kindly donated items for our role play area.



In EYFS the children and staff are always grateful for donated items to enhance the learning in our indoor and outdoor areas. We are lacking the following items, if you have any of these at home that you do not need please drop them off to the office. Thank you in advance.

- Dolls and clothes
- Prams
- Tool kits
- Water and sand toys e.g. items for pouring, digging, scooping, buckets etc
- Puppets
- Dressing up clothes for firefighters, police, vets, builders, etc
- Large outdoor items such a tunnels, sand pits, large floor jigsaws, outdoor games etc.
- Small world toys e.g. happy land, castles, mini city, police/fire station, farm, car garage etc



(Please note we already have lots of soft toys).





Chartwells Lunches

Please find attached a form that we have received from Chartwells. Please can you all complete and return it to the email address shown if your child has an allergy, is a **vegetarian**, has any specific dietary requirements, this may be due to religion or medical reasons. Any questions please contact the Chartwells Office on 01243 836130.

NO AFTER SCHOOL BOOK CLUB ON MONDAY 28TH JANUARY

Just to let you know that there will be no Year 3/4 Book Club on Monday 28th January due to Mrs Butler going on the Young Voices trip. It will be back on as normal the following week.

Ollie Heath Rhythm Masters

Ollie Heath will be starting his lunchtime Music Club again and a parentmail has gone out regarding this. Please see the Youtube link below for more information

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aAv-37GXJ-U&t=3s>



THIS WEEK'S SUPERSTARS

Class	Superstar	Class	Superstar
Kandinsky	Archie Smith	Klimt	Melanie White
Cezanne	Blue Table	Van Gogh	Moses Nower
Mackintosh	Omar Mirza	Matisse	Matas Butkus
SSC1	Max Byrne		
O'Keeffe	Gabby Cook	Turner	Phoebe Kaplanis
Monet	Shadae Kennedy-Little	Miró	Ethan Mitchell-Voice
Dali	Georgia Desir	Escher	Kai Smith
Hockney	Lakeisha Kennedy-Little	SSC2	Joshua Perrine



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2019

January

Monday 28th January 2019
Wednesday 30th January

Young Voices – Trip to O2
Year 4 – Trip to Tilgate Park

February

Monday 18th February –
22nd February

February half-term

Monday 25th February

Inset Day

March

Thursday 7th March
Tuesday 26th March

Year 3 – Trip to Michelham Priory
Class Photos

April

8th – 22nd April
Tuesday 23rd April

Easter Holidays
Back to school

May

Week beginning 13th
Week beginning 27th May

KS2 - SATS Week
Half Term

June

Week beginning 3rd
Thursday 20th

Year 5 Lodge Hill Camp
The Railway Children Theatre – Whole school event

July

Week beginning 1st
Wednesday 3rd
Monday 8th
Monday 8th
Tuesday 9th
Wednesday 10th
Thursday 11th
Friday 12th

Year 6 Bikeability
Transition Day/Moving Up Day
Sports Day
Scholastic Book Fair all week
Reserve Sports Day
Parents Evening
Parents Evening
School Discos and Year 6 Barbeque

Friday 19th
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Monday 22nd July 2019
Tuesday 23rd July 2019

Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Bartram's Picnic 12.15 – School closes at 1.30
pm
Inset Day
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Have a good weekend!

Krista Elledge

