



Dear Parents and Carers

A lucky escape with the weather today, please continue to check the website, the twitter feed and Parentmail to keep up to date with any changes and academy opening etc.



I am pleased to inform you that the PTA have received an official email informing them that Desmond Anderson have won 1st place on the Tesco Bags for Life Grant.

The school have won the maximum amount of £4,000 to spend on Interactive Technology which I am sure you will agree is fantastic news. A brilliant effort by everyone. Well done.

Adverse Weather Conditions - Snow

Just a note to let you know that if the school is closed for any reason, information will be sent out via Parentmail, on our website, on Twitter, the Desmond Anderson Facebook page and announced on local radio. PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAILS/MOBILE TEXTS from the school if you are part of our Parentmail system. Any closure will be communicated before 7.30 am. If you do not hear from us, school is open as usual,

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. If you have paid by Parentmail, please make sure that you have completed the consent form and returned this to the office. Any queries, please contact the office.

We Need You!



As part of their topic 'People who help us' Reception Class children have had the opportunity to meet a nurse and a firefighter in the past week which they thoroughly enjoyed and learned so much from. If any parents or carers work in the local community helping others, for example a vet, police officer, lollipop man/lady, builder, paramedic, dentist etc, please let Mrs Agate or Miss MacKenzie know if you would like to come in and hold a short talk or demonstration of your equipment with the children. Thank you.



Watches



Please be aware that only children who can tell the time are permitted to wear watches in school. I would also add that these watches should not have cameras or games. If they do they will be kept in the office for safekeeping until the end of school day.

Used Stamps

We are collecting used stamps in the office for the Royal National Institute for the Blind if anyone has any and would like to pop them in. Many thanks



Young Voices



The Year 5/6 children and staff had a wonderful time at the Young Voices concert on Monday evening! They sang and danced the night away to a medley of classic and modern songs. Mrs Bennett, Mrs Sheehan, Mrs Richards and Miss Butler are so proud of every child who participated, they showed full commitment by attending weekly rehearsals since October, learnt the words to a range of songs as well as dance moves. The children were incredibly well behaved on the trip and were a credit to our academy! Well done everyone!

Mobile Phones

If your child brings in a mobile phone to school, can we please ask that you remind them to bring the phone to the office as some of the children do not appear to be doing this. Obviously if the phones are not held safely in the office, then they could be damaged or lost in the cloakrooms. Thank you.



THIS WEEK'S SUPERSTARS

Class	Superstar	Class	Superstar
Kandinsky	Isla Staplehurst	Klimt	Emelia Mavrova
Cezanne	Thomas Stevenson	Van Gogh	Fetanet Zorlu
Mackintosh	Daisy Gibb	Matisse	Louis Kirkpatrick
SSC1	Privah Lindsey		
O'Keeffe	Lucy Gill	Turner	Ray Maoundus
Monet	Evan Lavender	Miró	Paige Aherne
Dali	Kaia Barritt & All of Dali Class	Escher	Nefeli Kaplanis
Hockney	Millie Lakins	SSC2	Adrien Brals/Edward Smith



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2019

February

Monday 18th February –
22nd February

February half-term

Monday 25th February
Tuesday 26th February

Inset Day
Return to School

March

Thursday 7th March
Monday 11th – 14th March

Year 3 – Trip to Michelham Priory
Scholastic Book Fair

Tuesday 26th March

Class Photos

April

Friday 5th April
8th – 22nd April
Tuesday 23rd April

Break up for Easter Holidays – 1.30 pm
Easter Holidays
Back to school

May

Week beginning 13th
Week beginning 27th May

KS2 - SATS Week
Half Term

June

Monday 3rd June
Week beginning 3rd
Thursday 20th

Back to School
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
Friday 19th
Friday 19th

Monday 22nd July 2019
Tuesday 23rd July 2019

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
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

