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DIARY DATES

Children's Yoga, Basketball & Football are the only clubs running next week.

WED 27TH MAR, 3.30 - 6PM Parents Evening

THU 28TH MAR, 5.30 - 8PM Parents Evening

TUE 2ND APR, 9AM Parents Coffee Morning

WED 3RD APR, 9AM Year 2 SATS Meeting

SCHOOL LUNCH

The menu for next week will be Week 2 - click for details.

SHOOTING STARS!

EMILY B for amazing progress in writing! **AARON** for his fantastic effort in all school work and homework!

MICHELLE for a beautiful painting of Fantastic Mr Fox in the style of Quentin Blake! **MOLLY** for trying really hard in Dance and for her excellent recount of the Warburtons

ALL OF PARROTS for their amazing assembly on Tuesday!



DARCEY for joining in when retelling the story of We Are Going on a Bear Hunt! **BRODY** for excellent capacity work in Maths!

GEORGE for lovely cursive handwriting! **SAMUEL** for loving helicopter stories!



NAYLA-RAE for fantastic



MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

Another very busy week here, with Warburtons visiting Year Two on Tuesday to make sandwiches and talk about healthy eating with the children. Foxes and Squirrels visited our local library, thanks to all the parents who came along too! The highlight was Parrots class assembly which gave a whistle-stop tour of their learning in class. I was amazed by their singing and acting in their performance of We're Going on a Bear Hunt. My



thanks go to Miss Weller and Mrs. Raymond for helping the children and to parents, family and friends for their support.

We had a wonderful time at the Infant Music Festival and I was so proud of our Year Two children. Thank you to our Year Two staff for preparing the children so well. Thank you too to parents for taking the time to come along and support the children.

I met with the School Council this week to look at the proposed new menu for after Easter and their suggestions have been put forward to Ashlyns, our catering provider.

Please remember the key dates coming up before the end of term. I look forward to seeing you all at our Parents' Evenings next week, when WISPA will be providing free refreshments to parents. In the final week of term we have our second Parents Coffee Morning and the important Year 2 SATS meeting. Dates for your diary are on the left.

We have a number of free passes for Barleylands. If you would like some please contact the office, we will issue two per family on a first come first served basis.

Please sign up if you can to Easyfundraising. The click-through donates money to our school. We would also encourage you to consider sponsoring the brave group of dads who are completing the Nuclear Races in May. Every penny goes towards our hub fund.

Finally, it is with sadness that I have to inform you Miss Springall will be leaving us at Easter as she has secured a full-time post nearer to home. Miss Springall has been with us from 1997 and has been an invaluable member of our team. Many children have had the benefit of her great teaching and care and I know how highly parents think of her. Mrs. Standen, our SENCO and part-time class teacher, will be teaching Dolphins class two days a week in the summer term. She already knows the children and will be working closely alongside Mrs Wilson. We wish Miss Springall every success in her new role and will miss her greatly.

YEAR 2 NEWS

What a wonderful week we have had! The children thoroughly enjoyed their visit from Warburtons and have all become experts in how to make a healthy balanced sandwich. We learnt about food hygiene and looked at the Eatwell guide. The children watched a video clip on how bread was made and all loved finding out the process that goes into the making of a Warburtons loaf. We would also like to congratulate the children on a lovely performance of 'The Sultan's Bath' at the Infant Music Festival on Thursday. We are very proud of how the children represented the school and even took on extra parts due to another school deciding not to attend. In Maths, we have moved onto Fractions and the

independent writing & spelling! **BETSY** for beautifully neat handwriting!

READERS OF THE WEEK!



COMMUNITY LINKS

Children aged 3-11 are welcome to **PLAY IN THE PARK** at Paradise Road on
Tuesday 16th April. There are
2 sessions, 10-12 and 1.303.30pm. Leaflets are in our
school reception, or <u>visit the</u>
website for further details.

The GET-IN EASTER HOLIDAY BROCHURE is now in the school reception area, with details of courses and activities over the holidays. Further information is available on the Chelmsford City Council website.

CHELMSFORD SPRING INTO
ACTION takes place between
March and June 2019 and
there are loads of free
activities for you to try. For
further information on trying
a new sport for FREE, pick up
a leaflet in reception or visit
their website.

children have been finding equal parts of a whole and quantities, recognising and finding halves and quarters of an amount.

This week's home learning and spellings can be found on our website.

YEAR 1 NEWS

In English Year One continued to look at the work of Michael Rosen and the children enjoyed listening to one of his poems called: Don't. The children discussed the use of rhyme and practised reciting the poem. Then they went on to write their own rhyming don't poems. In P.S.H.E they also made don't posters. A selection of poems and rhymes were also shared during guided reading. Measuring continued to be the focus of mathematics and they measured and compared weights and capacities. In Science they have been learning about some of the main groups of animals: mammals, birds, reptiles, fish, amphibians and insects. Following a science discussion, in art they then used modelling materials to make an animal of their choice.

Please note, lots of the children have trainers with laces that they wear for P.E. Please can you practise tying laces with your child if they are unable to do so.

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FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS

This week we found out why the Irish celebrate St. Patrick's Day and made some shamrocks. We also revealed who our school councillors are. Congratulations to Erin, Ted, Evelyn and Toby. They will have their first school council meeting next week! We enjoyed our visit to the library, the children loved the walk and enjoyed being out in the fresh air. Thank you to the parents who volunteered to help us. Next week we will be deciding what we will be planting in our garden area, the children are excited about this and we were pleased to find out that many of them are growing things at home. Please remember to write your child's name on their shoes and clothing. We have put a pile of clothes in the lost property, lots are jogging bottoms, t-shirts and socks.

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NOTICES

- ★ Can we remind you that any feedback on the parents' lunches would be very welcome. Please send your comments to parents@writtle-inf.essex.sch.uk.
- ★ Please save Monday 8th July, 9 10.30am in your diaries, when the highly acclaimed "Two Johns" will present their e-safety session for parents. We hope that giving such advance notice means that lots of parents will be able to attend.

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)















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