

# **DIARY DATES**

TUE 14<sup>™</sup> MAY, 9.10AM Squirrels Class Assembly

WED 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY 3 - 4.15PM WISPA Movie Night

**THU 23<sup>RD</sup> MAY**Y1 Trip to Colchester Zoo

# **SCHOOL LUNCH**

Next week's lunch will be Week 3 from our new Spring/Summer menu – click for details.

### **SHOOTING STARS!**

ISLA F for being a great role model, always trying her best & being a good friend!

MAX for marvellous mental Maths, reasoning & problem solving!

IRIS for a beautiful explanation of how to subtract using the column method!

MASON for trying really hard with his comprehension!

LOTTE for excellent
Maths, working
with halves &
quarters!
GEORGE for being such a
kind friend.

garden design!

OLIVER for taking
part in Science discussions!

JESSICA P for writing her numbers perfectly to 100!
IRIS for trying hard with her numbers!

OSCAR for being so helpful around the classroom!

HARRY for amazing art work & writing independently!

# MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

We enjoyed the Parents Coffee Morning on Tuesday, thank you to those parents who attended. Our Year Two children started their SATS this week, which were carried out in a very calm way. Some children even reported that they really enjoyed it! We are also preparing for our September intake by visiting our new children at their pre-schools.

We are delighted to say that your donations have raised over £1100 in sponsorship money for the Mini Marathon so far. We have also received over £300 from the Smarties Challenge! Thank you so much for your incredible generosity. Please return any Smarties tubes by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, when Mrs. Castell will draw the winner of the Marsh Farm tickets. There's just over a week to go until the Year One dads take part in the Nuclear Races on 18<sup>th</sup> May. So far they have raised over £750 for our Health & Happiness Hub. Please continue to sponsor them if you can! We would also be hugely grateful if you could sign up to the Easyfundraising app.

### **YEAR 2 NEWS**

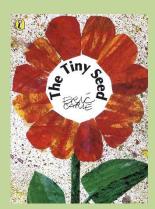
We hope you had a lovely bank holiday weekend. It has been a very busy week in Year 2. Our end of Key Stage assessments have begun. These can be a little intense so we have been focusing on some physical and practical activities during the rest of the week. We have practiced some of the activities that will come up in the Mini Games which take place in June. Please remember to return the permission slip. In Dance, Mrs Hammond has been working on improving fitness and the children are learning lots of new Zumba routines!



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

### YEAR 1 NEWS

This week we read the story of The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle. The children made links to what they have been learning in Science and discussed the themes of growing, dispersal and survival. We also talked about the seasons and changes that occur during these periods. The children re-read extracts from the story and were asked to highlight the adjectives and then were given the challenge of using them in their own sentences. In Science they learnt about trees and used the terms deciduous and evergreen. They also named some common trees such as oak, horse-chestnut and ash. They also watched a video clip which showed a tree changing throughout the seasons. In



Maths the children have been learning about fractions. They had lots of fun finding half and quarters of Jaffa cakes and skittles and particularly enjoyed getting to eat them when they had finished their problem solving!

We are sorry to say goodbye to Max in Parrots, who leaves us today. We wish you the very best of luck in your new school!

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# JAIME, MARGIE, TEGAN, LINCOLN, ISAAC & AVA!

### **COMMUNITY LINKS**

**LODGE ROAD WILL BE CLOSED FROM 4-6 JUNE.** Please
ensure you allow extra time
for your journey to school on
these days. Road closure and
diversion information is
available here.

**SSE WILDCATS** is a football programme specifically set up for 'The Beginner Girl' and it's a great opportunity for girls to take part in a female only environment, get some exercise and have fun. It's really informal and girls can attend on an ad hoc basis. SSE Wildcats is for girls aged 5-11. All sessions are delivered by FA qualified coaches, providing a safe place for girls to try football for the first time and develop key skills. Click here for more information.

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.

# **FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS**

We've continued our love of learning about bugs this week by finding out about spiders. We shared the story "Aaaarrgghh Spider" which we then used to find addition and subtraction problems using the number 8. The children extended their enjoyment by drawing pictures and writing about funny spider



characters (we especially liked little Lucas the spider!). We also had an assembly about "Europe Day" and had fun pointing out the countries we had visited on holiday on the big map!

We also want to say good luck and goodbye to our wonderful little Squirrel Toby! He has been such a great and fun friend to all of us and we wish him the very best in his new school. This week's home learning and spellings can be found on our website.

# **NOTICES**

- Mrs Booker is taking on Trek26 for the Alzheimer's Society. If anyone would consider supporting her the page is <a href="www.justgiving.com/fundraising/NatalieBooker">www.justgiving.com/fundraising/NatalieBooker</a>
- ★ The highly acclaimed "Two Johns" will present their e-safety session for parents on Monday 8th July, 9 10.30am. Please try to attend if you can.

# **ATTENDANCE** (Target 97%)













