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DIARY DATES

All clubs, except staff clubs, on next week. Final week, except for Tennis.

MON 8[™] JULY, 9 - 10.30AM "Two Johns" E-safety session

TUE 9TH JULY
A few lucky Y₂ children to
Wimbledon for the day!

WED 10[™] JULY, 3.15 – 4.30PM EYFS & Y1 Summer Disco

FRI 12TH JULY, AM Class Swap Morning

TUE 16™ JULY
EYFS Teddy Bears' Picnic

SCHOOL LUNCH

Next week's lunch will be Week 1 – click for details.

SHOOTING STARS!

DEXTER for his
dedication &
preparation for the
Year 2 Celebration Assembly!
ISLA F for encouraging &
supporting all members of
the French team at Sports
Day!

CARTER for his enthusiasm during the recording of our CD!
LUCA for being very knowledgeable about the rainforest, sharing lots of facts!

LYDIA for excellent
Geography skills!
RIHANNA-JANE for
persevering on Sports Day!

JOEY for his contributions to discussions about human & physical features of the environment!

MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

We enjoyed some wonderful events this week! Firstly, thanks to WISPA, WJSPA and all our amazing volunteers for putting on a magnificent fete on Saturday. Thanks to the children who performed and the many families and friends from both schools who attended. We raised a whopping £2153 for each school, a fantastic amount which will go towards events and plans that benefit every child in the school.

I was so proud of how the children competed on Sports Day, they all did brilliantly! It was lovely to see so many parents and family members attend our picnic, thank you for making the day special and for your cooperation with the different arrangements. We all felt like rock stars this week when we recorded our CD to raise money for our Health & Happiness Hub. Called "Songs That Make Us Smile", the children have chosen some of their favourite songs to sing for you all. Thanks so much to Mr. Chynoweth, Mrs. Scott and Adam from Card Trick Music for their help to produce the disc! We've sent home details of how to order the CDs today. Our website has been updated with galleries for Sports Day and the CD recording!

Sharon from Writtle Library introduced this year's Summer Reading Challenge, Space Chase, in assembly this week. The children were very excited! I would love to see lots of certificates in September! We welcomed our new children to their classes for a visit this week and everyone has been enthralled by our little ducklings hatching from their eggs!

Your child's school report will be coming home on Monday. We will send out an online form for you to give your feedback on the report, so please look out for it in ParentMail.

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs. Hammond is expecting a lovely Christmas present! Congratulations to her and her husband as they are expecting their first child in December. We are already waiting for cuddles!

All clubs finish next week except for Tennis, which continues until Monday 22nd July. Please do not bang on the doors for early morning clubs. The instructor will open the door when they are ready. Some children arrive as early as 7.45am for 8am clubs which means a lot of hanging around for young children! Staff clubs have already finished as next Wednesday the Year 1 and Foundation Stage children will enjoy another disco from Jazz Pritchard. Year 2 will have their Celebration Disco on Friday 19th. Please return your permission slips if your children are attending either disco.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the vast majority of parents who ensure that their children attend school regularly, as this is enabling these children to access their education as they should. As you know, I have often written to you regarding the importance of good attendance and its impact on pupil progress and achievement. Attendance is reviewed weekly and any pupils whose attendance is giving cause for concern will be referred to the Education Welfare Officer. I am concerned about the number of holiday requests but appreciate parents being honest about the reasons for absence.

Finally, Mrs. Herring is starring in a brand new play next weekend at The Two Brewers, Chelmsford. 'The Boy That Built A Time Machine' is suitable for all the family, so please take a look at our Community Links section, bottom left, for details of how to buy tickets.

YEAR 2 NEWS

Where has the week gone?! Some of Tennis club took part in a tournament with pupils from Galleywood and Baddow Hall Infant School. Galleywood were the winners, but everyone was

BOBBY for working well in tennis!

ERIN for singing so well in our CD recording! **RUBY** for excellent writing about The Very Hungry Caterpillar!

CHARLIE for working so hard in Phonics & always putting his hand up to answer questions! **SHAI** for joining in brilliantly singing songs & doing the "parts of the body" dance!

READERS OF THE WEEK!



ELISSA, ISAAC & PRIMROSE!

COMMUNITY LINKS

THE BOY THAT BUILT A TIME MACHINE, 13 - 14 JULY, 11AM & 2PM, THE TWO BREWERS, **CHELMSFORD** Mrs. Herring is treading the boards again, performing in a brand new play 'The Boy That Built A Time Machine!! It's about a curious boy who builds a time machine and, with his best friend, finds out what it's like to travel in time! To buy tickets to this very special family show, book online using the discount code BUSYBMAC2019 at https://madapplecollective.c om/book-tickets/

impressed with our children's skills and sportsmanship. It was lovely to see so many of you come and support your children at Sports Day. The children were amazing and our Year Twos looked after and encouraged the younger children in the team activities. We were very proud of them. As the children were in need of a rest, we were grateful to be invited to watch the amazing Year 3 and 4 production of 'The X Factory'. We all felt like popstars on Wednesday when we recorded our 'Songs That Make Us Smile' CD. The children sounded brilliant! The CDs will be on sale before the end of term, you can reserve your copies via ParentMail.

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

YEAR 1 NEWS

Year One have been doing lots of subtraction this week. They have subtracted numbers within 20 and as a challenge within 50. They played subtraction games and solved subtraction word problems. In English the children continued practising writing sentences and worked on their understanding of punctuation. They also practised writing capital letters in response to hearing both their name and sound. In Geography the children compared the human and physical features of the Orkney Isles and Writtle.

We have started to send completed work books home, to avoid the children having piles of books to take home at the end of term.

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FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS

It's been a ducktastic week in Foundation Stage! We watched with anticipation as our six duck eggs hatched live in front of our very eyes and we met our new fluffy friends! We now have the responsibility of taking care of the ducklings until the end of next week. We've showered them with letters, stories and drawings and have loved finding out lots of interesting facts about our feathered friends. We also took part in our first Sports Day and loved working as a team and showing off all the gross motor skills we've developed this year! We especially loved the family picnic and finishing the day with an ice lolly! As the weather continues to be hot please don't forget to apply sunscreen everyday and bring in a hat. We only have a few spares at school and unfortunately we may have to keep children without hats/suncream in the shaded areas or inside during play times.

Have a great weekend!

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NOTICES

- ★ We now have a Twitter account! Follow us <u>@writtleinfant</u>.
- We would be hugely grateful if you could sign up to the <u>Easyfundraising app</u>, which raises money for the school through your online shopping.
- We are so grateful to one of our parents, Steve Moore, who is undertaking a 100 mile bike ride to further raise money for our hub and the Junior School's learning pod. All donations would be very gratefully received on his Justgiving page.

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)

















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