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Dear Parents

House and Sports Captain Elections

I had the pleasure of announcing the Year 6 House Captains and Sports Captains for this year in assembly last week. We are very proud of them all. Congratulations go to:

House Captains	Centaur James H Aurelia L	Gryphon Alex B Felicity R	Phoenix Daniel M Bea M	Unicorn Yasin I Mia C
Sports Captains	Thomas L Eva H	Seba P-P Emie M-R	Jesse B Maya G	Oliver B-G Anastasia S

The House Captains have had their first 'job' this week, showing prospective new parents around the school. I know they have been doing a fabulous job in talking with the parents about the school and answering their questions.

Fire Drill

We had our first Fire Drill Practice this morning—we were very pleased the sun was shining and it wasn't raining! The children were absolutely amazing. They lined up, filed out and silently stood in the playground until all of our checks were complete. I couldn't have asked for more—one happy headteacher!

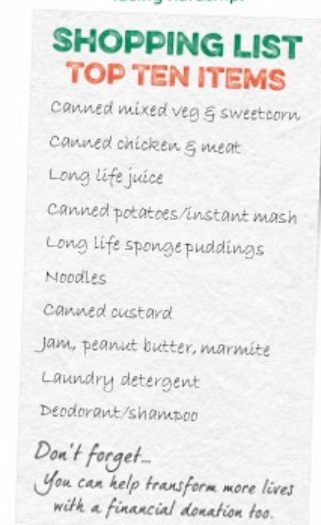
Harvest Collection for Woking Food Bank

We will be having a Harvest Collection again this year, with all donations going to Woking Foodbank. If you are able to support other local families facing hardship, please bring your donations to school week commencing 25th September. I have included ideas for donations from Woking Foodbank below.

Our Year 3 children will also be performing a Harvest Assembly on Friday 6th October at 9.00am.



Help by donating an item or two from our shopping list to support people facing hardship.



New Chair of Governors, Phil Dick

This year, we have a new Chair for our Local Governing Committee. Please find below a brief introduction to Phil Dick.

Phil grew up in a difficult area of the North East of England before studying at Loughborough University, from where he graduated in Business Administration and French, before undertaking a long career in the insurance sector. He also has qualifications in Behavioural Science and is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Insurers. His career took him to work in Chester, Liverpool, Melbourne, Manchester and Madrid before moving to Surrey when he worked in the City of London. During his career he was Director of Human Resources in a British, an American and a Japanese insurance company as well as being Managing Director of companies when working in Spain.

He is married with three adult children and is a keen armchair sports fan, continuing to follow the fortunes of Sunderland Football Club, which he has supported for over fifty years, and enjoys watching rugby and cricket as well as playing golf. When bored he loves to bake cakes etc, though his wife restricts this passion as he likes to eat them too (much)!! His own experience has shown him how education and learning open opportunities and he is passionate about ensuring children are given opportunities to develop and learn and encouraged to achieve.



Wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

With kind regards

Handwritten signature of Mrs J E Harrup in blue ink.

Mrs J E Harrup
Headteacher

Dates for your diary 2023-24

Autumn Term

September

Monday 18th	9.00am Tour for Prospective Reception Parents 2024
Tuesday 19th	10.30am Tour for Prospective Reception Parents 2024
Wednesday 20th	1.30pm Tour for Prospective Reception Parents 2024
Tuesday 26th	9.00am Tour for Prospective Reception Parents 2024
Thursday 28th	1.30pm Tour for Prospective Reception Parents 2024
Friday 29th	9.00am 4D Class Assembly
Friday 29th	10.30am Tour for Prospective Reception Parents 2024

October

Friday 6th	9.00am Year 3 Harvest Assembly
Friday 13th	Feeling Good Day
23rd to 27th	Half Term
Monday 30th	Children return after half term

November

Thursday 2nd	Outdoor Classroom Day
Tuesday 7th	3.30-5.30pm Virtual Parents' Evening Consultations
Thursday 9th	3.30-7.00pm Face-to-face Parents' Evening Consultations
Wednesday 15th	8.00am Local Governing Committee Meeting
Friday 17th	Team Building Day & 4T Class Assembly
Friday 24th	6G Class Assembly

December

Friday 1st	5M Class Assembly
Tuesday 5th	9.30am Rock Steady Concert
Wednesday 6th	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 8th	9.00am Rock Steady Concert
Monday 11th	9.30am Dress rehearsal for KS1 Christmas Production
Monday 11th	2pm KS1 Christmas Production
Tuesday 12th	9.00am and 2pm KS1 Christmas Production
Thursday 14th	9.30am Rock Steady Concert
Friday 15th	1.15pm End of Term



	Star of the Week	Effort Award	Values Award
Oak	-	-	-
Ash	-	-	-
1B	Loggie	Max	Jack
1M	Isla	Arthur	Mikael
2M	Avy	Catrin	Theo
2T	Toby	Nellis	Christian
3B	Veda	Jayden	Daisy
3M	Natalia	Tyler	Skylar
4T	Harriet	Grace O	Jack
4D	Liam	Adelyn	Adele
5M	Olivia	Balazs	Nicola
5B	Amaan	Ethan	Tabitha
6J	Amelia	Georgia	Ollie
6G	Khadija	Riley	Zana

Congratulations to our Super Spellers this week:



Congratulations to the recipients of a WOW certificate this week: Sarah-Luisa (2T), Cormac (2T)



Year 4—SOLD

The year 4 children went on an incredible 3 day, 2 night trip to Henley Fort. It was an action packed residential, where children engaged in activities lead by a group of SOLD leaders, such as Orienteering, Rock climbing, Low ropes, Archery, Forest School and Team work tasks. Despite the lack of sleep, the delicious meals made by Chris the chef, kept everyone full of energy and happy. A trip away from home offers children the opportunity to learn and explore, build friendships and learn to work as a team. The staff wish to thank the parents for allowing the children this experience, and are grateful for the opportunity to get to know the amazing children we will be working with during the 2023/2024 academic year.



Year 4—BOLD

Some of the Year 4 children had the amazing opportunity of attending BOLD. Exciting activities included a trip to Horsell Common and Rugged Earth, as well as on site crafts and orienteering. The wetlands near Heather Farm were a treat, where 'Leaf Bingo', den-making and looking for mini beasts, was the order of the day. Archery, axe-throwing, an obstacle course and learning how to make fires at Rugged Earth, saw everyone involved and learning some life skills. What an incredible 3 days, and all thanks to Mrs Cleary for arranging this experience. Other helpers included Mrs White, Mr Savill and Miss Davies to whom the children are eternally grateful.





St Mary of Bethany Autumn Chill

Sunday 24th September
3pm-5pm

Afternoon tea & a wide range of
activities for all ages

An event for our community to have
some chill time together

There will be board games, sports,
painting, crafts, a baby/toddler zone, a
sofa/reading zone, Xbox, jigsaws & more!

As always, everyone is welcome

Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult





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