



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a pleasure to welcome back the children, seeing them actively engaged in learning both inside and outside the classroom.

We have been extremely proud of our Year 6 pupils, who have made terrific progress so far this year and shown such a mature attitude to their studies. We wish them well in their last few weeks of preparation for the SATs. It was great to see the children at The Easter school of Egg-celence during the holiday and hear positive feedback about sessions.

Also I'd like to express thanks to the parents who came to meet the Year 6 teachers this week. We were glad of the opportunity to share our pride in the attitude of your children, explain the work we have been doing as a school to support the children and share some plans for enjoyable activities for once the SATs are over. Please ask your child for the Year 6 bulletin which goes out today with information of confirmed summer term dates, which include the residential parent meeting and the leavers assembly.

Year 1 have enjoyed a trip to Hyde Hall supporting their topic of Why is water precious? Ella from Penguin class explained "I really enjoyed matching the colours in a game we played, and I used petals and leaves to make a person in art."

Congratulations to our sports teams, The Year 5 & 6 girls football team won the girls football league and have now been invited to Roots Hall to play in a cup final. Mr Felton is extremely proud of the girls being so successful in their debut season. Our Year 5 & 6 boys football team worked just as hard in what turned out to be a very difficult division, achieving third place.

Mrs Nicholls

STAFFING UPDATE: Mrs Rott has returned from Maternity Leave and is now working with Year 2 'intervention groups'. Mrs Smith has taken up the role of Administrative Assistant to the Senior Leadership Team and we welcome a new face, Mrs Holmes, who is now the Admin & Welfare Assistant in the Front Office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 24.04.17 Hummingbird Class
Outdoor Learning
- 25.04.17 Elephant and Lion Class
Beach Trip
- 26.04.17 Komodo Dragon Class
Outdoor Learning
- 27.04.17 Giraffe and Chimpanzee
Class Beach Trip
- 01.05.17 May day bank holiday
- 02.05.17 Orangutan Class Outdoor
Learning
- 03.05.17 Leopard Class Outdoor
Learning
- 04.05.17 Panda Class Outdoor
Learning

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Reece - Hummingbird Class - Came
2nd in his Kumite competition in
karate
- Riley - Wolf Class - Passed his
orange belt grading in karate
- Eddie - Albatross Class - Passed his
orange belt grading in karate
- Oliver - Squid Class - Achieved his
25 metre swimming badge



NEWS

- Miss Lynch would like to say a huge thank you to all of the Year 1 parents who volunteered for the Hyde Hall trip, your support was invaluable.
- Thank you so much for your donations of the Active vouchers from Sainsbury's, so far we have received over 4,500 giving us another chance to help pupils to get active with some new sports equipment. Any vouchers collected can be sent with your child into school and posted into the collection box in the office. Thousands of vouchers are needed to benefit from any sports equipment on offer so please start collecting today.
- Reminder, all long hair should be tied back, unfortunately we have had many cases of head lice reported throughout the school, and this minimises the risk.
- Reminder, dogs are not permitted on the school grounds, this also includes dogs being tied at the gates. This is for both safety and allergy reasons.
- Yesterday Manatee class went on a hunt to find some caterpillars for our new topic 'Are Bugs Important?' We found one caterpillar and have named it Ronny after the finder. We hope it eats all the leaves we carefully picked for it and it forms a chrysalis inside our specially made net in our classroom, so that we can witness the amazing life cycle and see it transform into a beautiful butterfly.
- Congratulations to Wolf, Squid, and Flamingo classes who have all received one of the attendance bears this week.
- Reminder, scooters and bikes should not be ridden on the school premises.
- The PTA will be holding a lazy bones table sale in the school playground on Saturday 13th May from 1:00pm til 3:00pm. As this is the first event of this kind there are 15 tables available to sell your preloved items at a reduced pitch fee of £5. Please email darlinghurstpta@hotmail.com to secure your table. Tableholders will be admitted into the car park from 12:00pm. Please allow plenty of time to set up. The PTA Cafe will be putting in an appearance and should anyone wish to volunteer to help out please email on the address above. Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you there.
Lisa, Nisha, Claire, Sarah and Jenny

ATTENDANCE

20th April 2017
LADYBIRD 86%
BUTTERFLY 87.6%
RABBIT 89.6%
OWL 88%
HEDGEHOG 89.5%
WOLF 95.8%
PENGUIN 94.4%
ORCA 93.1%
ALBATROSS 90.4%
SQUID 96.6%
GIRAFFE 95.2%
LION 93.5%
ELEPHANT 93.3%
CHIMPANZEE 95.3%
MANATEE 89.1%
JAGUAR 92.5%
HUMMINGBIRD 95.6%
ALPACA 92.3%
PANDA 93.9%
KOMODO DRAGON 93.5%
LEOPARD 98.1%
ORANGUTAN 96.3%
MOOSE 95.8%
COYOTE 91.8%
FLAMINGO 99%
KANGAROO 94.1%
PUFFER FISH 95.5%
Totals 95.5%

YEAR 6 DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

SATs Breakfast

Monday 8th May - Thursday 11th May
Year 6 are invited to join us from
8:00am for a healthy breakfast

Butlin's Parent Information Evening

Thursday 25th May 6:30pm

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Friday 21st July 9:30am

YEAR 2 PARENTS SATS INFORMATION

Wednesday April 26th
2017

Come and join us for a
SATs Q&A session from
3:00pm in the school hall