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A message from your Headteacher: Mrs Atherton

Well done to our KS1 and KS2 children who have been completing autumn term assessments over the past couple of weeks. Our pupil book studies and pupil voice studies have shown that our children are retaining subject knowledge and are increasing vocabulary, which is fantastic.

A reminder that we now have an agreement with Little Athletes where you can book your child/ren on to the Tuesday night club on an ad-hoc basis, rather than having to book in a block. As a school, we have to pay for a minimum of 10 children to attend this club, at the moment there is, on average 5, making use of it. It would be great to see more of our children joining, please email the office if it is something your child would be interested in. We are trying to keep as many clubs open to all, on our school premises, as we can.

**Star of the Week**

The value we focussed on this week was **#Honesty**. The children who have clearly demonstrated this to their teachers are:

- **Little Acorns/Seedlings:** Theo
- **Sapling** – Year 1: Blake
- **Sapling** – Year 2: Evie
- **Oak** – Year 3: Harry B
- **Oak** – Year 4: Annie

All of the above have followed the rules and made the right decisions.

Parents/Carers are invited to the celebration assembly on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April



**Headteacher Awards/Dojo Champions**

The following children have received a Headteacher award this week:



**Little Acorns/Seedlings:** Ella for her independent writing and phonics and Hazel for her writing.

**Sapling:** Alice C and Naomi for their writing.

**Oak:** Ivy B for her independence in R.E. George O for his ambition in English. Freya and Arthur Gri for their confidence in Maths and Alice C for her bravery and confidence in gymnastics.

**TT Rockstars:**

Arthur Gre and Skylar.

Well done to all, we are very proud!



**Attendance**

Sapling class are this week's attendance winners! They have received an extra 10 minutes play time at lunch this afternoon.

Please remember to make the school office aware by 9:15am, if possible, if your child will not be in for the day or will be late.



**Diary Dates for Spring Term**

We hope the diary dates letter sent has been useful. Please inform the office if you haven't received one.

**Diary Dates for February**

- 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Laches Wood
- 13<sup>th</sup> Year 4 transition day at James Bateman
- 13<sup>th</sup> Valentines Disco 1:30pm-2:45pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> Break A Rule Day
- 24<sup>th</sup> INSET Day
- 26<sup>th</sup> Young Voices

**House Team Quiz**

The leader board is as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – **Red**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – **Green**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – **Blue**
- 4<sup>th</sup> – **Yellow**

Well done to all 😊



With one week left to go, to choose the winner for last week!!

**Laches Wood**

Please ensure you have returned you child/ren medical form for Laches Wood next week. We are really looking forward to the residential and we know your child/ren will have a wonderful time!



**Homework**

Thank you to all Parents/Carers who support us with their child/ren learning by completing: 3 weekly reads, their spellings and times tables. All schools from Early Years onwards are encouraged to set home learning activities each week to help prepare children for life and to build ambition for learning. We would like to clarify that Friday's homework lunch club is there to help/support, not to punish.



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### Playgroup

One of our Parents runs a playgroup from school each week. This is currently on a Thursday, however, as of next week (week commencing 03<sup>rd</sup> February) this will be changing to a Friday from 9:30am-11:00am. Please can you share this information with anyone that you know attends the playgroup or to anyone you think would be interested in attending. It is £3 per family and includes hot/cold drinks and biscuits for Parents/Carers and a snack for the little ones too!



### Admissions

Admissions have closed for both reception and Year 5 (middle school.) You will find out on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025 if your child has secured a place at your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> preferred choice. We do not have the names of the children before this time, we are only advised of numbers.

We can take nursery children, usually, at 3 points throughout the year. If you, or anyone, you know who is looking for a place in either the summer term 25 or September 25, please advise them to contact us, as places are filling quickly.



## Picture Gallery

