

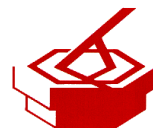


Friday 8 March 2013

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Dear Parents,

Attendance and Attitude towards Learning

The week before half term winners

Head's Classes		Attendance	
FKS	RD	Top Class	3A+5P 100%
KS1	1B	Week	97.3%
LKS2	4D		
UKS2	5K		

Events in School

KS1 Gifted and Talented Art



A number of our KS1 children visited Dorridge Infants last week as part of a joint cluster schools' initiative to provide extended opportunities for gifted and talented artists from our neighbouring schools. Many thanks to Dorridge for hosting this event. The children had a fantastic time and were extended in regard to their art skills.

Girls' Football

The girls travelled over to Sharmans Cross on Tuesday evening and were made most welcome by our hosts on what was a cold evening. The match started very slowly for our girls, who took time to get settled. Good performances from Hannah R and Neive D, supported by Lauren B could not stop a very strong Sharmans Cross team from coming out as victors. A very well done to all of the girls for their efforts and performance!

Girls' Netball

The girls continued with their competitive games by entertaining Dickens Heath on Friday night. This is a strong team and our girls have had mixed results over the various encounters. The results this time though were completely in our favour with the A Team winning 14:3 and the B Team winning 15-0. Very

well done girls for all of your effort!
Road Safety Show



Mojos Theatre joined KS2 last Friday morning to present a lively and fully participative performance around the very important theme of road safety. The children were engaged in humorous interaction which fully 'drove' home the need for road awareness.

Year 4 to West Midlands Safari Park

Year 4 used this trip this week to bring their topic on Habitats to life through encounters with elephants and giraffes, amongst others!

Partnership and Sponsorship

Howard Rose, our Sponsorship and Publicity Manager, has been working successfully since September on building links with local businesses regarding sponsorship. Businesses have been extremely supportive in a variety of ways, ranging from financial assistance through to working directly with the children. With regard to this new bench, we have Karl Edwicker to thank. He donated all of the materials and then installed the new seating without charge. Thank you Karl.



From Dads Cooking Club

Wednesday night was the final session in this series of the Dads' cooking club. Guests were invited to share the vegetable curry and homemade chapattis. Dads have enjoyed spending quality time with their children as well as learning new skills. Mr Tuckey will be

advertising the next session after Easter and it will probably be held on a Tuesday evening 17:30-19:00. Thank you to everyone for taking part and to Mr Tuckey for leading on this initiative.

Playworkers



One of our aims this year has been to appoint Playworkers during lunchtimes. It has taken a while to recruit staff, but, on our return to school for the summer term, we should have 4 of our required 6 Playworkers. Playworkers interact with the children during lunchtimes through organised games and this very much supports children's positive lunchtime experiences. If you are interested in this role, check out the advert on our website.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Due to the incredible popularity of this KS1 event, and some disappointed parents last year, we are running two shows this year. Year 1 will be at 9.00am and Year 2 at 10.00am on the final day of this term, Thursday 28 March. Information about supporting the creation of a bonnet will be coming directly to you from the teachers.

Non-Uniform Day for Comic Relief

Next Friday, 15 March will be a non-uniform day. The theme is 'Do Something Funny for Money' and any donations for Comic Relief will be most welcome.

PTA and Scalextric Night

The next Scalextric evening is planned for Friday 19 April - get your order forms in early and pay via Parentpay. The next PTA meetings are Monday 22 April, 7.30pm in school and Monday 3 June, 7.30pm in the Brickies. Everyone is welcome.

Have a great weekend and a lovely

Mothers' Sunday.

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A-Plan will make a contribution to the PTA for every policy taken out. Ring James Shaw on 0121-742-7961 to see if A-Plan has anything which matches your requirements

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Atkinson Stilgoe, Village Estate Agents,
is once more sponsoring our school generously over the next 4 year period. Please ring Anita McKeogh on 01676 535234 to see current listings of homes for sale.

Nursery - Ted & Toby Bear's Star of the Week Awards

Morning - Isabella & Harry

Afternoon - Holly & Soren

Robin's Stars of the Week

Rajan D, RM

Lydia C, RD

William M, RH

Maths Wizard

Annika S, 1B

Simran N, 1S

James L, 1M

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Libby J & Leila E, 2K

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Writers of the Week

Chloe St John & Ziyuan Y, RM

Esteban C, RD

Mason D, RH

Bowen LA, 1S

Jessica C, 1B

Rhys E & Romilly M, 1M

Darcy J & Samantha C, 2K

Harrison B & Summer R, 2M

Good Choice Stars of the Week

Grace W, 1B

Leah-May M, 2K

Emily I, 3C

Yusef E, 4D

Grace M, 5K

Angelina D, 6I

Summer P, 1S

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Alexander T-F, 3P

Becky H, 4F

Ella N, 5P

Olivia L, 6M

Matthew C, 1M

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Alice M, 3A

Isaac J, 4B

Louis G, 5B

Hadlee P, 6B

Diary Dates 2012- 2013
SPRING TERM 2013

Friday 15 March	Red Nose Day 14:45 5B Class Assembly
Monday 18 March	Visit to Warwick University Science Lab for Yrs 5 & 6 Science Club
Tuesday 19 March	Year 3 to Chedworth Roman Villa
Thursday 21 March	Roving Book Fair in Atrium, until 4pm. 17:15 Year 3 Concert in school
Friday 22 March	14:45 5P Class Assembly 18:00-19:15 Reception and Yrs 1 & 2 Disco 19:30-21:00 KS2 Disco
Tues 26 & Wed 27 March	18:00 Year 4 production
Thursday 28 March	09:10 Years 1 & 2 Easter Bonnet Assembly Term Ends - please note that this is a day later than other Solihull schools
SUMMER TERM 2013	
Monday 15 April	School returns
Thursday 18 April	17:30 Parents meeting with Ray Maher
Friday 19 April	Conference in Hall No Hot Dinners today
Monday 23 April	Musicians to King Henry VIII School
Friday 26 April	Year 4 to Tamworth Castle 09:10 RH Class Assembly Targets home to parents
Friday 3 May	09:10 RM Class Assembly 14:45 4D Class Assembly
Monday 6 May	Bank Holiday Monday
Friday 10 May	09:10 RD Class Assembly 14:45 4B Class Assembly


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