

# Newsletter



5<sup>th</sup> July 2018

## No 'winding down'

There is a perception that towards the end of the summer term schools are on a 'wind down' to get to the summer. I can assure you, this is not the case! This is an extremely busy period of the year with learning still progressing at full speed with Sports days, Performances and leaver's services to prepare for. In fact I often wish there were more hours in the week to get it all done! Just over two weeks until the summer holidays, no time to waste.



Class Three earned their class treat and went to the brook

## Staffing changes

As we look forward to September we are building our staff team. Inevitably there are some changes to staff and it is with sadness that we say goodbye to Caroline Hegarty. After a very long association with the school (over 7 years in her current role) Mrs Hegarty has decided it is time to move on to a new challenge. We wish her well and thank her sincerely for all her time, effort and dedication to the school.

After a period of illness Steph Clayton has also stepped down from her role within the school. Again, we thank Mrs Clayton for her time and dedication to our children's learning.

As a result we have been able to offer a Megan Hansen a permanent role within the school. We are also actively looking for a new Teaching and Learning Assistant from September in a full time position. Thank you to Danielle Flowers who has been working at the school on a temporary basis. Again we thank her for her time and effort, they have been invaluable during a transition time for the school.

## Class one trip to War Horse Country Farm Park

Last Friday Class One visited the War Horse country farm park as part of their 'farming' topic. The children had a fantastic time learning about farming now and in the past. They visited the calves, milking cows, milking parlour as well as the museum exhibits. Behaviour was superb, thank you to the parents who transported and supported the trip, without your support these trips would not happen. Thank you to the PFA for funding the trip.



## **Sports day**

Sports day is scheduled for Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 1pm-3.30pm. The long range forecast is for this hot, dry weather to continue so please make sure that your child has ample drinking water and sun protection. The water source at the field is not safe drinking water so the children must bring water with them. The events this year will be; long distance race, sprint race, sack race, skipping race and egg and spoon. There will also be a carousel of activities, Javelin, long jump, tennis ball throw and (after England's historic penalty shoot out win) a team penalty shoot out.

There will be limited parking on the field. The PFA are running a BBQ and bouncy castle event after sports day and would like volunteers to help with the event.

## **Parking around school**

I know the situation with parking is far from ideal. However please be considerate of safety and the passing of other vehicles when parking. If you are able to walk to school, share a lift or park slightly further away and walk back, please do so to help the situation.

## **Performance poetry**

Our performance poetry recital will be on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July. Performances will be at 2pm and 6pm. The children are very excited about this already and are practising their poetry readings. Please help your child to learn their poem at home as they have all been given a copy.



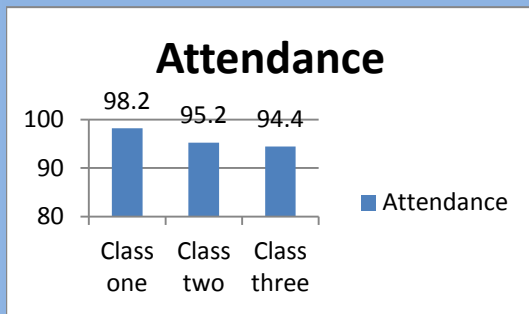
## **Piano and singing performance**

Mrs Lamon is running a piano and singing performance for her students who have learnt piano and singing with her this term. Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 3.45pm. This is open to all parents in the school hall.

## **Class naming suggestions**

I would like to rename the classes for September to give them a little more personality. Instead of 'Class One, Class Two, Class Three' they could be named after animals (e.g. Hedgehog class), local places (e.g. Dartmoor class), people (e.g. Isaac Newton class) or anything that is suitable for our school. Any suggestions from the children for a linked set of names will be greatly received. We need four names as Class One will be using two different rooms. Just jot them down on a piece of paper and put them in the special suggestion box (in the hallway of the lower building).

## Attendance since 8<sup>th</sup> June



Well done to Class One 98.2% is excellent!

## Stars of the Week

### Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June

Class One – Maisie for trying so hard with your writing

Class Two – Mouse for fantastic hand writing.

Class Three – Malachi for achieving 10/10 on your spelling test!

### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Class One – Hugo amazing partitioning of numbers

Class Two – Ruby T for excellent attitude to learning and fantastic model behaviour.

Class Three – Jeremy for being an amazing role model across the school.

Well done everyone!

## Diary

### July

- 6<sup>th</sup> –Swimming gala (Team)
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Special worship with Bridget Down
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Piano and singing performance – 3.45
- 13<sup>th</sup> – Sports day (1pm)
- 16<sup>th</sup> – End of year reports to go out
- 18<sup>th</sup> – Performance poetry for all parents- 2pm and 6pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Federation KS2 sports day at Ashbury
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term and leavers service

### September

- 5<sup>th</sup> – First day back

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