

Aspire, Believe, Strive, Achieve Issue 16 Week Ending 25th January 2019



Children's Wellbeing Before and After School

There are ongoing concerns about some of our children who come to and from school unaccompanied:

- •If you send your child to school alone or with friends, please make sure they understand that they must come straight to school and come straight in as soon as the doors are open, rather than loiter on different playgrounds or off the school site.
- •Please also ensure that your child doesn't arrive unaccompanied too early; we have had incidents recently of young children sitting outside in the cold, with no supervision, from very early in the morning. This is unacceptable and must not happen, principally for the children's safety and wellbeing.
- •On Wednesday this week we became aware of an incident that took place outside the school grounds last Friday. Although our children weren't involved as far as we are aware, it does highlight the potential dangers that children can face. The only way to know for sure that your child is safe and is behaving appropriately is to have them dropped to school and collected by a responsible adult. However, we all need to allow our children to take extra responsibilities as they get older, so it is for each individual family to decide whether their children are responsible enough to manage their journeys to and from school independently.
- •To reiterate the message from last week's newsletter, we do not consider it appropriate for children in Years 3 and 4 to make the journey unaccompanied, and from Monday, if you want a Year 5 or 6 child to collect their younger siblings, we will require a letter from you stating that this is your wish.

Thank you all for your support.

Pantomime

On Monday we were treated to a fabulous performance of Dick Whittington by M&M Productions. About a hundred people came along. Thank you for supporting this event, and for the positive feedback we received about it. As a school, it's not an event that we make much money from, but sometimes it's just nice to do something fun as a community!

Rights Respecting School

In school, we are currently aiming to achieve our Silver Rights Respecting Award. To help us achieve this, we have appointed some Rights Respecting Ambassadors. These children are already making a huge impact on moving the school forward, with a special mention going to Maya and Hania in Pines. Our RRS Ambassadors are: Haya, Raiven, Suffiyan, Maya, Hania, Syanne, Thanisha, Lyle, Reneyah, Sienna, Kieran and Emily. If you want to learn more about the Rights, please ask your child or look up the information via www.unicef.org.uk and search for Rights of the Child.

Bringing Hot Meals

There have been a few occasions recently when parents have brought or requested to bring hot meals in for their children at Please note, this is not something we can facilitate. The only options for children's lunch are for you to provide a cold packed lunch at the start of the day or for them to have a school dinner. If you feel there is a particular reason why you need a different arrangement, please contact the school office to discuss this. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Genre Awards - Last Two Weeks

Bronze: Irfan, Kayci and Giselle (Elms) & Paige (Sycamores)

Pen Licence This Week

Irfan (Elms)

Beeches Brilliant Writers

Last week's winner: Irfan (Elms) This week's prompt: Castle on the Hill

Whole School Attendance

This Week: 96.3% Year So Far: 97%

This Week's Team Points

1. Red Phoenix	676
2. Green Griffins	620
3. Yellow Unicorns	550
4. Blue Dragons	497

Pupil of the Week

Elms: Jaspreet Cedars: Millie Firs: Riley Pines: Nylah Oaks: Ellie-Mai Sycamores: Tahni Birches: Freya Chestnuts: Rivad Palms: Charley Magnolias: Amelia Spruces: Amy Willows: Thomas

Diary Dates

Tue 5 Feb, 9.00am Y4 Inspire Workshop Science afternoon Mon 11 Feb Wed 13 & Thu 14 Feb Parents' evenings Thu 14 Feb Break up for half term Fri 15 Feb Teacher Day - school closed

Mon 25 Feb School reopens

Tue 5 Mar Year 6 visit to Botanical Gardens

Thu 14 Mar Year 3 Roman Day

Mon 8 - Wed 10 Apr Year 4 residential visit to Woodlands

Fri 12 Apr Break up for Easter Mon 29 Apr School reopens

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