











Week Ending: Friday 23rd June 2023



Dear Parents,

Thank you for all of your feedback on the parental questionnaires we sent home last week. We have been inundated with your responses which is fabulous as we value working in partnership with you to ensure that all children are supported to be the very best they can be as Succeeding Together is what we do best! We are busily collating all of the results and will share these with you on next week's newsletter.

This week, we have welcomed parents from Year 6 and Year 5 to school to work alongside their children in No Outsiders open lessons run by Mr Moffat, Excelsior MAT PD lead, and class teachers. It was great to see so many of you attend and enjoy the art-based sessions based on the book 'Remixed' and we know how much the children enjoyed working with you too!

Half of all of the classes in school have visited Mission Control and the VR room this week for the first of their summer term lessons to support their learning in history or geography. I must say that all of the classes I have seen in the VR room have quickly picked up how to navigate virtual worlds and use the kit confidently which is brilliant! They've been teaching me! A highlight for me was listening to one of our reception children. As soon as their headset was on, their face beamed as they exclaimed, "This is magic! This is a magical world!" What a great example of Engaging Learning, one of our MAT cornerstones!

Today has been 'World of Work Day' for our children in Year 6. The children have been researching different careers and finding out about the jobs they may be interested in in the future. A huge thank you to all of the people and companies who have taken part in today's World of Work day for Year 6. The children have learned so much and enjoyed talking to you all about your careers.

And finally, a HUGE thank you to all of the parents and staff who made Wednesday's trip to Weston so special! It was fabulous to see the stream of parents and children walking to school early, clutching buckets and spades, sun hats and games to play on the beach. We are so glad that you all had such a fantastic time and enjoyed spending time on the beach and pier, playing games, visiting the museum, having donkey rides and eating fish and chips. In the words of one parent, "We had a wonderful day and created some special memories." That's great news and an experience that the children will never forget!

Have a great weekend, everyone! Miss Arrowsmith

Diary Dates June 2023

MONDAY 26th
Year 3 Trip to Birmingham

Reception PE Kit Needed

After School Club: Reception Ball Skills

TUESDAY 27th

Years 4 & 3 PE Kit Needed

After School Club: Years 1 & 2 Athletics

WEDNESDAY 28th
Year 3 Trip to Birmingham

Year 1PE Kit Needed

Year 6 Outdoor Learning
Kit Needed

THURSDAY 29th
Year 3 Trip to Birmingham

Years 5 & 2 PE Kit Needed

After School Club: Years 3 & 4 Football

FRIDAY 30th
Year 3 Trip to Birmingham

Year 6 PE Kit Needed

After School Club: Years 5 & 6 Rounders

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Please note changes to PE days for Year 2 and Year 3 becasue of the Year 3 trip to Birmingham



Well done to Gazelles who are our best attending classes this week.

The most punctual class in school this week was Lions who were in school on time every day to make the most of their learning time.

MELL DOWE!

(COLD) CHOCOLATE FRIDAY!

WELL DONE TO THE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL WHO RECEIVED HOT CHOCOLATE NOMINATIONS THIS WEEK FOR GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND! THAT'S AMAZING! WE ARE ALL SO PROUD OF YOU. WE HOPE YOU HAVE YOUR CERTIFICATES DISPLAYED SOMEWHERE AT HOME TO CELEBRATE.

WELL DONE TO THE LUCKY CHILDREN WHO WON THE HOT CHOCOLATE RAFFLE. NOW THAT THE WARM WEATHER IS HERE, WE'LL BE ENJOYING COLD CHOCOLATE ICE CREAMS. WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR CHOCOLATELY TREAT!













Warmer weather

Now that the weather is warming up, please remember to check our Uniform Policy on the school website <u>Uniform - Green Meadow</u>

(excelsiormat.org) Either grey or black shorts or red and white or green and white checked dresses can be worn with flat' black shoes (no trainers) or sandals with proper straps (no flip flop style) which are appropriate to school.

A reminder to bring a sun hat or cap and your school water bottle to school each day and apply plenty of sun cream before coming to school each day.

You will have seen in the press that there is proposed industrial action planned for Wednesday, 5th July 2023 and Friday, 7th July, 2023. Further details will be sent home next week.



UPCOMING DATES.....

Week beginning 03.07.23

03.07.23 EYFS and KS1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) Sports

Events 9.15-10.15am

04.07.23 KS2 (Years 3-6) Sports Event 9.15-10.15am

05.07.23 Year 6 Blackwell residential trip leaving GM at 4pm

06.07.23 Year 6 Blackwell residential

06.07.23 Year 4 SPARKS fire safety visit from Northfield White Watch 10-12

07.06.23 Year 6 Blackwell residential returning to school approx. 5pm.

07.06.23 Year 6 Speak Up! Speak Out! Speech Competition

Week beginning 10.07.23

10.07.23 Year 2 Weoley Castle Library visit Gazelles at 10am and Giraffes at 2pm

13.07.23 Year 1 and 2 Excelsior Sport Event 9.30-11.30 Year 3 and

4 Excelsior Sports Event 1-3pm

14.07.23 Year 5 and 6 Excelsior Sport Event 9.30-11.30



SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS!

Our fabulous School Council have been focussed throughout the year on how they can make a difference in school and so far they have led changes for the house names in school, brought about changes for lunchtime provision through the introduction of OPAL, fundraised for new OPAL equipment and canvassed their classes to find out what the children in school would like to see included in the Green Meadow Offer! This term they have turned their attention to how to make a difference in the local community. They have lots of ideas so watch this space for updates!

One of the fabulous suggestions they had was to be able to design a 'Thank You' card to send to everyone who helps us in school, so it's competition time! Read on to find out how to enter and look out for a letter which contains more details and the template for cards being sent home tonight!

The School Council Design a 'Thank You' Card Competition

We need your help! There are lots of times during the year when we send 'Thank You' cards to people who have helped us in school and we would love it if the cards we sent were cards that had been designed by children in school. Please can you help us by designing a thank you card for us to send? Each class will then choose a winning card and the designer will see their card being published and used. Please use the templates sent home tonight to design your card and remember to bring your entries to school no later than 3.30pm on Friday, 30th June 2023!







ASK YOUR CHILD TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE STORY BEHIND THIS PICTURE AND HOW IT LINKS TO BRITISH VALUES.



Save the date for Summer Sports Events

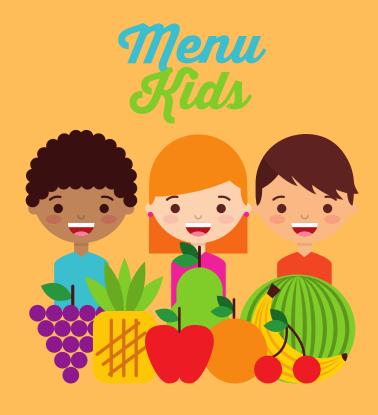
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WEEK COMMENCING 26TH JUNE 2023



School meals are £2.35 per day, payable via Arbor, for years 3, 4, 5 \(\) 6, unless you are entitled to free school meals.

Please note that for Reception, Year I and Year 2 <u>ALL</u> children are entitled to universal free school meals.