

School Notices

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An update from Clive the Carrot!

I have been delighted with how brilliantly your children have all been behaving in the school dining room. They've been following our four simple rules and been earning themselves lots of Clive points and extra break time with me!

One class in particular has been going above and beyond, week after week, to become dining hall experts. They are consistently polite helpful and have been setting an incredible example to the rest of the school.

I'm sure you'll all have realise by how often they've won who they are, but the class is

YEAR 5

Year 5 are currently on track for a special recognition award at the end of the school year and so will be taking a step back from the weekly competition. They will continue to collect points but will now be leading by example.

Their inspirational behaviour choices are already evident in the way other year groups are replicating what they've seen Year 5 do.

A huge well done to Year 5 and to the rest of the school. I'm looking forward to spending lots of playtime with you all.





Get Ready for Summer

This week saw the arrival of some beautiful weather and a large number of warm children. Here's just a quick reminder of our top tips for a successful summer!

Sun Cream

We are unable to apply sun cream for your children, and due to potential allergies, we're also unable to allow children to share each other's sun cream nor provide it ourselves. On sunny days please apply sun cream to your children in the morning, and they are more than welcome to bring more with them so they can reapply it themselves during the day. We do ask that the bottles are **named** though.

Water Bottles


We do have drinking water available in all of our classrooms however we do ask that all children bring in a **named** water bottle each day during the summer term, as on hot days we do take children's water bottles outside for P.E and lunch break etc.

Hats and Caps

Please feel free to send your child in with a sun hat or cap on hotter days that they can wear outside. Again please ensure these are named so that when they're inevitable left lying around they have the best chance of making their way back to your children.

Hayfever

Many children suffer with hayfever at this time of year and so please remember that if your child requires and medication during this time you will need to complete the medication form on the school website, and drop any medication into the school office.





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Class Photographs

22nd May

On Wednesday the 22nd May, Carmel Jane will be in school to take class photographs. The photos will all be taken before lunch and if your child has P.E that day, please send them in wearing their full school uniform with their P.E kits in a bag ready to be changed into.

Carmel Jane asks parents and carers to pre-register with them so that they can contact you all directly when the photographs are ready to view.

Please see below a message from Carmel Jane on how to do it.

Dear Parent,

IMPORTANT – REGISTER TO VIEW SCHOOL PHOTOS

Carmel Jane Photography will be visiting our School on the 22nd of May 2024, to take the Class Group Photos

All Parents are requested to pre-register to enable access to your child's photographs. Pre-registration is required for every photo shoot.

Registration only takes a minute. Please visit www.carmeljaneshop.co.uk and enter the following code:

JRCDA8Y

You will then be asked to pre-register with your child's full school register name.

Once registered, as soon as the photos are available you will receive an automatic email notification to inform you that your child's photos are now ready to be viewed and can be purchased.

Don't miss out pre-register today!

Kind Regards,

Jo Swaby

School Account Manager



In conjunction with Georgie Manfredi from the South West Herts Partnership, we will be holding a coffee morning on Friday 17th May with a focus on the Challenges of Parenting in 2024. Parenting can be one of the most difficult and challenging roles we undertake, especially in times of hardship or crisis. South West Herts Partnership works with families and children to offer practical advice, support and tools and strategies to help your child. This coffee morning is an open forum to discuss any aspects of parenting that you would like to talk about from school anxiety, secondary transition, SEN needs to online safety. Join us for an informal chat with biscuits!

If you would like to attend, please complete the online form by Wednesday 15th May.

<https://forms.gle/n373LFdSLnwMYvUA8>

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Mrs Danni Harte

Head Teacher



Bikeability Cycle Training - 7th, 10th and 12th June

Bikeability is a cycle training programme that teaches children practical skills and gives them the understanding and expertise they need to ride their bikes on the road. It replaces the old-fashioned Cycling Proficiency courses that many of us did as children. The Watford and Hertsmere School Sports Partnership are a registered Bikeability Provider and we deliver Level 1 and 2 Bikeability Courses.

Level 1 Bikeability

Level 1 is an exciting gateway to starting the cycling adventure. A journey of many miles starts with the first step. Level 1 takes place off-road, normally on the school playground. This means that children can learn in a traffic-free environment. During the Level 1 Bikeability Course participants will learn to:

- **Maintain their cycle:** make sure your ride is in tip-top condition and make simple repairs
- **Glide:** smooth, calm and collected
 - **Control their bike:** including setting off, cruising, slowing down, braking and stopping. You'll even learn to pedal one handed!
- **Pedal:** without feeling wobbly or out of control
 - **Be aware of your surroundings:** looking behind and turning around obstacles.

Level 1 Bikeability must be completed before progressing to Level 2.

Level 2 Bikeability

Level 2 teaches children how to grow more confident with each turn of the pedal. Our expert instructors will lead riders onto quiet roads, to experience “real” cycling. Level 2 can feel like the biggest step for both you and your child – it’s cycling on the actual road! But with our instructors on hand, your child will feel confident and safe in no time at all. During Level 2 participants will:

- **Start and stop** with more confidence
- **Pass stationary vehicles** parked on a road
- **Understand the road:** signals, signs and road markings
 - **Negotiate the road:** including quiet junctions, crossroads and roundabouts
- **Share the road** with other vehicles

What standard do participants need to be before taking part in Bikeability?

Bikeability is recommended for children who can ride confidently without stabilisers. If we do not feel a participant has the required skills they will complete Level 1 only and not progress to Level 2 on the roads.

What equipment do participants need?

All participants will need a road worthy bike that is the right size/height for the participant. Please check the tyres, brakes and chain are in good condition and full working order before the course. All participants will also require a well-fitted helmet. High-vis jackets will be provided. Participants will also need suitable clothing for the weather and we recommend sports clothing and trainers.

Please complete this form to give consent for your child to take part in
Bikeability

<https://forms.gle/c7iHw6UnvQJU7JtTA>

Friday 10th May 2024 – Pearl: maintains focus, stays on task, ignores distractions and has good listening skills with peers and adults.



Year 1 – Harrison has been extremely focused in maths this week and Pippa has excellent listening skills, is always focused and is a role model for others.

Year 2 - Maddison and Lily have shown great focus in all lessons and are able to ignore the distractions around them.

Year 3 – Elizabeth and Louis both show good focus when completing work and listen well to both their peers and adults.

Year 4 – Ehra has shown improved focus when completing work in lessons and Shiv listens carefully to instructions given and ensures he follows them quickly.

Year 5 – Louie has worked extremely hard to maintain good focus and stay on task in all lessons and Zunaira is always showing great listening skills when working with her peers.

Year 6 – Nilaya has maintained her focus on tasks whilst ignoring distractions around her and Freddie demonstrate excellent listening skills to both his peers and adults.

This week Clive the Carrot is awarded to...



Year 4!



Housepoints – Friday 10th May 2024

171

122

105

120

Sika

Roe

Muntjac

Fallow

Sika wins!