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Information and Achievement Newsletter

It has been a very busy half term, which has flown by so quickly. It has been a joy to see the new children in Reception and Nursery settle in well and to see all children enjoying their classes. I am pleased to say that a huge number of children arrive every day on time and in the correct uniform. I am looking forward to see what the next half term brings, as I'm sure it will be another extremely busy one, with school visits, parent consultations, Christmas plays and a lot more. I hope you all have a well-needed, restful half term. The school returns on Monday 30 October. Yours sincerely, Mrs Green, Headteacher.

Attendance Cup - Well Done!

Week commencing-

02/10 - Laurel 98.8%

09/10 - Redwood and Chestnut 97.3%



Reading Cup

02/10 – Chestnut and Hawthorn

09/10 - Birch/ Redwood and Oak



Outside of School Achievements

Teddy in Willow has passed his level 6 award at swimming and is now working on his level 7! Georgi in Chestnut is now a yellow belt in Kung Fu and is working towards achieving the next belt! Jia in Maple was awarded two bronze medals in Taekwondo, one for sparing and the other for team pattern. Nira in Maple was also awarded one bronze medal in Taekwondo for team pattern! A huge well done and congratulations to everyone! It is so lovely seeing so many out of school achievements.

Safeguarding – Upcoming events

In the next half term, there will be events such as Christmas Plays where parents may take photographs/videos. I would like to remind all parents of our Photography Policy that can be found on our website.

- That there may be children whose parents have not consented to have their child's photo taken
- Asking for photos taken during the event not to be shared on social media
- Recommending that people check the privacy settings of their social media account to understand who else will be able to view any images they share
- Reminding children, parents and carers that they can talk to a member of staff if they have any concerns about images being shared

School Grid - IMPORTANT - Please read

Parents should have received an email asking them to sign up to School Grid. Please let us know urgently if you have not received the email so we can resend the sign up link. Please ensure dinners are ordered for your child. If dinners are not ordered, your child will need to bring a home packed lunch. If a child forgets their home lunch, parents will be called to bring lunch to school. If we are unable to get in touch with parents, the child will be given a cheese roll. Debts must be cleared on Arbor by Friday 20th October. All credits will be transferred over to SchoolGrid by the end of the week. Please ensure you order your child's Christmas Dinner for Wednesday 13 December.

Book of the Month - October

'FING,' by David Walliams. Myrtle has everything she wants and her parents are determined to ensure she gets a 'Fing' – even though they're not sure what one is. They set off on an unbelievably dangerous journey to find one in this riotously funny story about an evil spoiled child which is bound to appeal to children aged 7-11. We have a copy of the book in our library and it is available in book shops.



Bikes and Scooters

The bike shed is still being used by more children than just year 6 who bring themselves to and from school. If you accompany your child and they bring a bike or scooter, they must be taken home and not left in the bike rack. After half term, permission forms will be sent home to year 6 so we know whose bike/scooter is left on site. Any items that are left in the shed over half term will be disposed of.

Attendance

A reminder that it is the parental responsibility to ensure their child is in school every day and on time. If your child is marked as late, this will affect their overall attendance. Please ensure children arrive by 8.20am to start work at 8.30am. If you are having trouble getting your child into school on time, please contact the school for help.

Important Dates

23-27 Oct – Half term

30 Oct – Pupils return to school – New dinner system starts

31 Oct – Nursery Halloween Party

02 Nov – Monster Mash Ball

13+14 Nov – Reception Visits (Sep 24)

17 Nov – Children in Need (more information to follow)

22+23 Nov – Parent Consultations

24 Nov – Occasional Day

1 Dec – PJ Day (Chocolate tombola)

9 Dec – Christmas Fair

11 Dec – UKS2 Harry Potter Studios trip

12 Dec - Flu Vaccinations

13 Dec – Christmas Lunch 20 Dec – School closes at 1.30pm.

