



NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming dates for your diary

Thursday 28th September: Reception Trip to Pizza Express
Monday 9th October: School Photographs
Tuesday 10th October: Year 4 Trip to Gordon Brown Centre
Friday 20th October: Break Up for Half Term
Monday 30th October: School Starts
Tuesday 31st October: Year 3 Trip to Butser Farm
Thursday 2nd November: Reception Trip to Pizza Express
Monday 6th November: INSET DAY – NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 7th November: R/KS1 Consultation Evening
Thursday 9th November: KS2 Consultation Evening
Tuesday 28th November: 'Flu Vaccinations
Monday 4th December: Delight Book Fair
Monday 18th December: Christmas Performances
Tuesday 19th December: Christmas Performances
Wednesday 20th December: TERM ENDS 1:30 pm
Thursday 21st December: INSET DAY – No School
Thursday 4th January 2018: SCHOOL STARTS
Friday 9th February: Break Up for Half Term
Monday 19th February: SCHOOL STARTS
Thursday 1st March: World Book Day Mufti
Friday 2nd March – Thursday 8th March: Book Fair
Friday 9th March: INSET – NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 20th March: Year 3 Trip to Wisley

Stars of the Week



Elder – Ioanna, Haytham
Elm – Lilly, Teonie
Hazel – Gabriel, Jamie
Hornbeam – Ryan, Tyler
Lavender – Danna, Harvey
Maple – Jordan, Alisha
Maytree – Jennifer, Diego
Pear – Lavanya, Jamie
Pine – Izabella, James
Walnut – Ryan, Eldin
Willow – Elizabeth, Emily

Can we please remind all parents and carers that children may bring a **healthy snack** to eat at morning break. This should be fruit or vegetables. **No biscuits are allowed.** Thank you for your support.

From Miss Lim

This week I have had the pleasure of showing many prospective parents around our school (Reception intake '18). It is a real privilege and a joy taking new visitors around Weyfield – they are rightly impressed with the quality of teaching and learning taking place in every classroom, the children's excellent behaviour and enthusiasm, and the amazing grounds and facilities we have to offer. We saw Y1 pupils performing their Talk for Writing story map, 'The Gruffalo' and Year 4 pupils investigating capacity in their Maths lessons with bottles and tubs of water! As ever, the lessons were fun and engaging. If you do know any parents/carers whose child will be entering Reception in September 2018, please do encourage them to contact the school and arrange a personal tour. We want everyone to see and hear for themselves how great our pupils are and how much they love the school. (You also don't have to be a prospective parent to come and see the school in action... if you are a current parent and want to pop in, please just let me know!)

This year we are starting an exciting journey as a school to achieve the Artsmark, the creative quality standard for schools, accredited by the Arts Council England. Miss Ruocco is currently leading the early stages of planning and strategic development, but we hope to share with you soon what this will look like going forward. What we can say is that we are looking at all the ways we can build more dance, music, art, drama, design and cultural learning into the curriculum, which we believe will have a hugely positive impact on the children's well-being, engagement with learning and appreciation of the world around them.

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for your ongoing support.

Miss Lim
Headteacher

Year 2's Water World

As part of their *Water World* topic, Year 2 took a walk down to the river. They wanted to see what animals they might find living in a freshwater habitat.

Billie-Jo, Lilly-Mae, Molly and Jaimie were very enthusiastic about the trip, describing it as 'interesting' and 'great fun'. They saw some black fish and there were cows in a field by the river. Insects they spotted included water boatmen and 'strange, mystery bugs' which, they discovered, were pond skaters. There was great excitement when a snake slithered across the path in front of them! Reports of its size vary from about 60 cm to 2 metres (!) but we are settling on about a metre.

The children thought the best part was when they saw the lake, which had ducks and geese swimming on it and they were fortunate enough to see a heron swooping over the water. They were very eager to record their findings back at school.



Congratulations to Natalia Suli, who has achieved a Gold Athletics Certificate – the first one this year. We are sure there are many more to come!

Our **ATTENDANCE HERO** this week is **Riley**, who broke his arm on Thursday, but was back at school on Friday, eager to learn! He is very proud of his cast, which has been signed by several members of the Guildford Flames ice hockey team.

The class with the highest attendance this week is **Hornbeam** with **98.15%**, closely followed by **Elm** with **98.07%**; the overall attendance figure is **93.63%**.

We have slipped back a little from last week. Let's try and get above our target of 96% again next week!

Inter Faith Week: 12th -19th November

A week to focus on inter faith understanding & cooperation <https://www.interfaithweek.org>

As a school, we promote British values through all areas of the curriculum. One of these values is 'mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs'. We are planning to celebrate Inter Faith Week at Weyfield and we need your help! We would love to have parents come and share something about their own faith with the children – perhaps through sharing stories, explaining how you practise your faith, or sharing pictures of religious festivals and holidays you celebrate. Please get in touch with the Front Office or your child's class teacher if you would be willing to come and help our children learn more about the multicultural community they live in!

Thank you.

'Flu Vaccinations

The NHS school vaccination team will be attending Weyfield on 28th November 2017 to vaccinate children in Years R,1,2,3 and 4.

Parents will receive a letter and consent form which **must be completed and returned to school** if they wish to have their child vaccinated.

Information can be found at www.nhs.uk/child-flu .

Mrs Baldwin is happy to answer any queries.



Is your child in year 6?

Apply online
apply on time by
31 October 2017

If so, you need to apply online for a secondary school place by **31 October 2017**. Applying on time gives you a better chance of getting one of your preferred schools.

If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or you can call us on **0300 200 1004**.

No paper copies of secondary application forms will be provided this year. Applications should preferably be made online. Please go to the above website or phone the number given.

School Council

Elections have now taken place for our School Councillors, who are: Caitlyn, Kiera, Josh, Lilly-Mae, Courtney, Denver, Ashdon, Maisy, Nithisun and Wenbiao. Very well done to all of them and thank you to all the other children who also stood for election. We can't wait to find out what ideas our new School Council has!

This Week I Am Reading...

"The Day the Crayons Came Home" by Oliver Jeffers and Drew Daywalt.

We first met these crayons in the Greenaway-nominated book, "The Day the Crayons Quit" and, like that book, this shows hand-written messages in the crayons' own colours.

Duncan discovers a pile of postcards from his outspoken crayons one day, explaining what they have been doing since they quit. The pea green crayon, for example, has renamed himself Esteban the Magnificent and has run away to see the world (but it's raining so can Duncan open the door for him?)

I like the way the book is written in the crayons' own handwriting and the glow-in-the-dark crayon feels like glitter – and it really glows in the dark! I hope there will be more books about Duncan's crayons.

Alisha is in Year 4

