

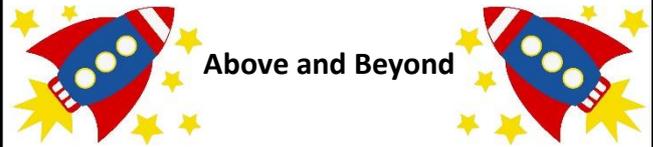


NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 13th February: PTFA Disco
Friday 15th February: Break Up for Half Term
Monday 25th February: SCHOOL STARTS
Friday 1st March: PTFA Shrapnel Day
Thursday 7th March: World Book Day – Dress as a Book Character
Thursday 7th March: Year 1 Sportshall Event pm
Friday 8th March: PTFA Meeting – All Welcome – 9 am Oak Room
Friday 8th March – Thursday 14th March: Book Fair
Tuesday 12th March: Parents' Evening YR-Y3
***Wednesday 13th March:** Parents' Evening Y4-Y6 *change of date
Thursday 21st March: Year 2 Sportshall Event pm
Monday 25th March: St Peter's Easter Encounter
Thursday 28th March: Year R Sportshall Event pm
Friday 29th March: Mufti – Easter Egg Donation
Friday 29th March: PTFA Meeting – All Welcome – 9 am Oak Room
Friday 5th April: TERM ENDS 1:30pm
Friday 5th April: PTFA Easter Egg Tombola
Tuesday 23rd April: SCHOOL STARTS
Tuesday 23rd April – Friday 24th May: PTFA Smarties



Above and Beyond

Huge congratulations to Luke from Maple Class, for receiving a Headteachers Award. He showed tremendous perseverance and skill when completing a maths task. He not only found the best common denominator for adding different fractions, but also recorded his answers in a number of equivalent fractions. This was definitely beyond what was asked of him for this task.

Well done Luke!

From Mrs McClintock

Thank you

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe we are already at the end of this half term. Where has the time flown? I would like to say a massive thank you to all the children and staff for making the start of my new role so enjoyable. It has been an absolute delight to work with them all and I cannot wait to see what next term brings. Thank you also to all the parents who have worked with me this term. Your continued support is very much appreciated. When school and home work well together, the benefits to your children are remarkable.

Safety first!

Please could I remind everyone not to use School Close at the beginning and end of the school day? Many of our families walk to and from the school gate and it is tricky to see all of the children. Could you please remember to park on the main road?

I wish you all a very enjoyable half-term break.

Janette McClintock
Headteacher

Delight in Shakespeare

We are *delighted* once more to be working with the Guildford Shakespeare Company, in association with the charity, Delight.

On Monday, children from Years 4, 5 and 6 were treated to a performance of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' by members of the Guildford Shakespeare Company, along with the opportunity for many eager children to take part. Robbie said he thought all the children did amazingly well, especially the three Pucks, who played their parts enthusiastically. The children all agreed the performance was very funny and enjoyable, with the most memorable part being the Rude Mechanicals' play at the end, although they also thought it was hysterical when Bottom had been turned into a donkey.



Year 5 will be going on to study the play in more detail and will be having workshops with the GSC, which they are looking forward to tremendously. They will then have the chance to create their own scenes from the play and perform them for their families.

Not only does this series of activities allow our children to engage with the works of the 'greatest writer in the English language and the world's greatest dramatist', it gives them the experience of working with professional actors to explore the language, characters and themes of the play, to be creative and become more confident to be fully involved; to create scenery and props... and to perform!



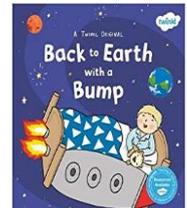
Football

On Thursday, the boys' football team played against Send C of E Primary. In a keenly fought contest, the boys came away with a defeat, but their pride intact. They showed great teamwork and sportsmanship, whilst never giving up. Special mentions must go to Reuben for his goal and Nithisun for a Man of the Match display as goalkeeper. Thank you, as well, to all of the parents who came to support and encourage the team, which created a lovely atmosphere for the boys to perform in.

National Storytelling Week

You may remember Elm Class were going to keep us updated with the results of their vote concerning the National Storytelling Week ebooks they read each day.

During the week, they were lucky enough to hear 'Starry Eyed Stan', 'Don't Hog the Hedge', 'Back to Earth with a Bump', 'The Best Dress Ever' and 'Foggy Friday'.



Their favourite book was 'Back to Earth with a Bump', a story about a boy called Hal, who is sent on a night-time mission to find out where the sun has got to as he explores space from his rocket bed.

World Book Day – Heads Up!

World Book Day this year is Thursday 7th March and, once more, we shall be dressing up as book characters. Now is the time to be thinking about costumes. Please remember: we do not expect you to spend a fortune on a costume – in fact, we love seeing homemade costumes! Some ideas can be found at <https://www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up/>.



Further details about World Book Day and the Book Fair will follow after half term.

The Great Egg Race

On Saturday, we hosted a Guildford West Cubs Craft Competition. The object of the exercise was to make a vehicle, which could safely transport an egg down a ramp.



We came a very close second, due to the vagaries of the scoring system, despite the fact that our vehicle successfully accomplished this – and travelled further than all the other vehicles! Well done to our Cubs, who showed great ingenuity, skill and teamwork, and were a credit to both the school and the Scouts.

Congratulations to Willow Class, who have the highest attendance this week of **95.40%**; they will be awarded golden time. This week's **whole-school attendance** is **90.84%**.