

'Striving for Excellence'
Headteacher: Mrs D. Dack

NEWSLETTER 7

March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a very busy February with mock SATs for Year 6 and many visitors into school during our Hobby and Talents week.

We celebrated Chinese New Year with lion dancing in year 4, we also had a visit from Madam Huang the Headteacher of our partner school. She was very impressed with the pupils Mandarin and writing skills. The school was presented with a picture of the Chinese good luck symbol.

Enjoy reading the rest of the newsletter.

Mrs DACK

SCHOOL PLACES

We currently have 1 space in our Foundation Year, 1 in Year 2 and 2 in Year 4. Please inform any new neighbours or friends who may be looking for school spaces.

SWIMMING CONTRIBUTIONS

Swimming contributions for the Spring term are now due and can be paid on Sims Agora. If you have paid your child/children will be receiving their extra fun swim invitations soon.

TUESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY - PANCAKE RACES

On Shrove Tuesday we will be holding Pancake Day Races. Children who would like to join in the fun races, need to bring in a cooked pancake and a frying pan in a named plastic bag. The children will not be eating these pancakes!

FRIDAY 3RD MARCH - WORLD BOOK DAY

This year World Book Day falls on the 2nd of March. We will be celebrating our love of all things about books on Friday 3rd March. Come dressed as your favourite book character to celebrate the occasion! This is not a non-uniform day and no contribution will be required for dressing up. Children who are not dressing up for the theme should attend school in uniform. There will be a prize for the best costume in Foundation Stage, KS1 & KS2. We look forward to seeing the children using their imagination and dressing as their favourite character.

VISITING BOOK FAIR

This year's book fair will take place after school from the 6th March - 8th March in the Mill Hall. The book fair offers a range of popular fiction and non-fiction titles. The children will be able to use their World Book Day tokens on books that cost £2.99 or more. Payments can be made in cash or by cheque. Credit and debit cards **will not be** accepted at the fair. Last year's book fair was very successful, and we earned over £600 in new books for the school. We look forward to seeing you there!

SAINSBURYS ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

We will be collecting vouchers again this year. If you shop in Sainsburys or know anybody who does please collect the vouchers. With your help last year the school was able to order lots of PE equipment. There is a box in reception or you can send them in with your child.

BAD WEATHER CLOSURES

Hopefully we will not need to close the school for bad weather this year. In the event of very bad weather a text and email will be sent to all families to notify them we are closing on the day. We will send the text as soon as we know how many staff are able to get in to school. We need an optimum number of staff to be open. Please also refer to the school website: www.wentworth.essex.sch.uk where any closures will also be posted.

YEAR 5 & 6 SKI TRIP

We have 11 Year 5 & 6 pupils attending the Essex Primary School Ski trip to Torgon from 10th March—18th March. The pupils will be accompanied by Miss Tylor & Miss Spalding. This is the second year we have had pupils attend and we wish them a safe trip.

BASKETBALL ESSEX GAMES

After successfully winning a local tournament our Basketball team travelled to Colchester for the Essex Games. Wentworth played well in their 3 matches and came joint 2nd on points, it then went to goal difference which was also the same. After a tense wait the decision went against Wentworth and to the other team as they had won their match. Unfortunately they did not progress in the competition but were placed 9th in Essex!! Congratulations to Grace Dillon, Phoebe Attwood, Erin Little, Isla Archer, Joshua Servis, Freddie Rouse, Albie Sims, Mo Shorney, Freddie Cooke & Maddox McMahon on a great performance.

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

We had 3 teams take part in a fun football tournament at the Plume School on 2nd February. The purple and blue teams both won their pools and the red team came 3rd. After a tense penalty shoot out the Blue team were victorious. Well done everybody who took part.

TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a tournament at the Plume school. Wentworth played well and came 3rd overall. Well done to Phoebe Attwood, Charlie Parker, Erin Little, Thomas Shaw, George Smith, Freddie Rouse, Grace Dillon, Freddie Cooke, Sophie Cottam, Jack Fowler and William Callow.

CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION

We had 45 pupils take part in the Cross Country competition at the Plume School. Everybody performed well even if it was very cold. Our Year 3 & Year 5 teams came in 2nd place overall and our Year 4 & Year 6 teams came 1st. This means our Year 4 & 6 teams will progress to the next round of the competition. Congratulations and well done to everybody who took part.

TALENT & HOBBIES WEEK

A big thank you to all the parents and friends of the school who came in and shared their hobbies and talents. These included juggling, kayaking, theatrical make up, knitting, motocross, wheelchair basketball, an acoustic band and carpentry skills. A complete variety! The children have been very impressed, interested and inspired.

KEY DATES UNTIL EASTER 2017

Tuesday 28th February—Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day Races.

Thursday 2nd March—3W Class Assembly.

Friday 3rd March—Dress up as favourite character for World Book Day .

Friday 3rd March—Dads & Grandads invited to read in class— Thanks to the many dads, uncles and granddads who have already signed up to read to children. The children are very much looking forward to your visit. If you would like to participate, please return the form e-mailed previously .

Monday 6th March — Wednesday 8th March—Book Fair visiting school.

Thursday 9th March—2S Class Assembly.

Friday 10th March— Saturday 18th March—Year 5 & 6 Ski Trip –Torgon Switzerland.

Monday 13th March—Year 2 SATS meeting for parents 2.30pm—Details to follow.

Tuesday 14th March—Year 1 Phonics meeting for parents 2.30pm - details to follow.

Thursday 16th March—2T Class Assembly.

Thursday 16th March—PTA Film Night— KS1 The Secret Life of Pets—KS2 Angry Birds 3.30pm—5pm.

Tuesday 21st March—PTA Mothers Day Stall—Details to follow.

Wednesday 22nd March— Year 3 & 4 Mother’s Day Dinner—Letter emailed.

Wednesday 22nd March—Parent Consultations 3.30pm—5.20pm & 6pm—7pm.

Thursday 23rd March—Parent Consultations—3.30pm—5.20pm & 6pm—7pm.

Thursday 23rd March— PTA Mother’s Day Stall—Details to follow.

Friday 24th March—Red Nose Day— Non uniform Day £1 donation.

Monday 27th March—Foundation Stage Mother’s Day Tea—details to follow.

Tuesday 28th March—Year 1 Mother’s Day Tea—details to follow.

Wednesday 29th March— Year 5 & 6 Mother’s Day Dinner—Letter emailed.

Wednesday 29th March—Year 1 Boydells Dairy Farm Trip—Details to follow.

Wednesday 29th March—Year 2 Mother’s Day Tea—Details to follow.

Friday 31st March—Last Day of Term.

Tuesday 18th April—Pupils return to school.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

All class assemblies are held at 2.40pm in the Viking Hall. Please come along.

Thursday 2nd March—3W

Thursday 9th March— 2S

Thursday 16th March— 2T

Please note dates are subject to change.