



THE ACORN NEWSLETTER

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Mighty oaks from little acorns grow

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our first Acorn of 2024! We hope that you had a restful Christmas and enjoyable New Year. The children have returned to school full of enthusiasm for the term ahead and have settled very well. When walking about the school there has been a "buzz" of excitement from both the children and staff as they begin new topics across the curriculum.

This term sees another of our values being explored through our Collective Worship, and the focus for this half term is "belonging".

Thank you for your continued support with both your child's learning and the wider life of the school. Best wishes for the New Year.

Kind regards

Holly Marchand, Headteacher

Parent/Carer Lunches

We are inviting all children to have a special adult (parent, grandparent, other special adult) to join them for lunch. We will send each class a letter nearer the time for you to inform us who the special adult will be, and to book and pay for your chosen lunch. To make this safe and manageable, we have allocated each class a different date and time to arrive. These can be seen below.

- Owls – 17th January 12.20pm
- Blackbirds – 24th January 12.20pm
- Eagles – 31st January 12.20pm
- Swifts – 7th February 12.20pm
- Songthrushes – 14th February 12.20pm
- Swallows – 28th February 12.20pm
- Skylarks – 6th March 12.20pm
- Wrens – 13th March 11.45am
- Robins – 20th March 11.45am
- Wagtails – 27th March 11.45am
- Kingfishers – 17th April 11.45am
- Greenfinches – 24th April 11.45am

When you have finished eating, your child will then go outside with their friends for the rest of the lunchtime. We envisage that most adults will be in school for around 30 minutes to help you plan for this event.

Behaviour at the end of the School Day

Please could we politely remind you to ensure children don't climb on any of the outdoor equipment, such as the tyres outside Early Years and the climbing frame outside Mr Brown's classroom, at the end of the school day.

Diary Dates

- Friday 26th Jan – FOS Meeting 1.30
- Friday 26th Jan – FOS Cake Sale 3.15
- Friday 16th Feb – FOS Non School Uniform
- Friday 16th Feb – FOS Meeting 1.30
- Friday 16th Feb – FOS Cake Sale 3.15
- Mon 19th Feb – Half Term Week
- Fri 8th March – World Book Day
- Fri 15th March – Red Nose Day/Non School Uniform
- Tues 19th March – Parents Evening
- Thurs 21st March – Parents Evening
- Friday 22nd March – FOS Meeting 1.30
- Friday 22nd March – FOS Cake Sale 3.15
- Mon 15th April – First Day of Summer Term
- Friday 26th April – FOS Meeting 1.30
- Friday 26th April – FOS Cake Sale 3.15
- Mon 6th May – Bank Holiday
- Mon 13th May – Y6 SATS Week
- Mon 20th May – Science Week
- Friday 24th May – FOS Non School Uniform
- Friday 24th May – FOS Meeting 1.30
- Friday 24th May – FOS Cake Sale 3.15
- Tues 21st May – Class and Leavers' Photos
- Mon 27th May – Half Term Week
- Friday 14th June – Whole School History Day
- Friday 21st June – FOS Meeting 1.30
- Friday 21st June – FOS Cake Sale 3.15
- Thurs 27th June – Sports Day
- Weds 3rd July – Y6 Leavers Party 6.00-7.30
- Thurs 4th July – Reserve Sports Day
- Tues 9th July – Y6 Production
- Weds 10th July – SJLHS Awards Evening
- Thurs 11th July – Y6 Production
- Friday 12th July – FOS Non School Uniform
- Friday 12th July – FOS Meeting 1.30
- Friday 12th July – FOS Cake Sale 3.15
- Tues 16th July – Y6 Last Day
- Tues 16th July – Y6 Leavers Assembly
- Wed 17th July – Y6 Transition Day - SJLHS
- Thurs 18th July – Y6 Transition Day - SJLHS
- Fri 19th July – Y6 Transition Day - SJLHS
- Fri 19th July – Last Day of Term



Census Day Lunch

On Thursday 18th January, the Kitchen will be serving a Winnie the Pooh themed Census Day lunch, as follows:

Hundred Acre Wood
Sausage, Baked Beans
& Roo's Mini Hash Browns

Or

Treehouse Quorn Sausage,
Baked Beans
& Roo's Mini Hash Browns
(v)

For Dessert

Christopher Robin's
Chocolate Cookie



Thank You

We would like to thank the Friends of School for their kind donation of £500 towards some new books for the school library. We bought some exciting new fiction books and equipped the outdoor reading space. We have also had some kind donations of second-hand books from parents recently, which has enhanced our library.



Visit from the Fire Brigade

On Wednesday, 10th January, our EYFS and Key Stage 1 children had an exciting visit from the local Fire Brigade. They were treated to an assembly and an opportunity to explore the fire engine. The children all had a chance to sit inside the fire engine cab and look at the different equipment that they use. The children were able to ask lots of questions about their role as firefighters and about the fire engine. The firefighters commented on how enthusiastic and well behaved the children were.

"I liked it when the firefighters showed us the equipment that they use."

"I really enjoyed trying on the outfits. They were very heavy!"

"I loved it when I honked the horn in the fire engine."

"I liked looking inside the fire engine cab."

"My favourite part was when the firefighters turned the siren on."

"I like it when the firefighters showed us where the water came out, of the big hose".

"I enjoyed trying on the fireman's helmet".



