

Attendance
98.2%

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No 5 October 5th 2017

School Games Updates

Cross Country success



We sent a mixed Y5 team of 20 athletes to represent the school in the local cross country competition at Melbourne Park today. Our team did very well amongst over 120 runners from a wide range of schools. Most notably though, Jacob (pictured left) finished 2nd and picked up a medal after the event. Lexie also finished 7th with Harvey 13th and these three have now been invited to train with the district squad. Well done to all the runners, particularly those for whom it was their first competitive experience.

Football Competition at Great Baddow High School

We took a mixed Y5/6 Girls football team to Great Baddow on Wednesday 4th October who finished 5th out of 12 teams. The team show great potential and we want to develop this squad further throughout the year. We also sent a Y5/6 Boys squad who represented the school well amongst 20 other teams. Thank you to the staff who took the children to this Chelmsford School Sports partnership event.

Learning Updates from around school

Y6 head to Duxford



Y6 ventured on an educational visit to the Imperial War Museum at Duxford today to boost their topic learning around World War 2. The children were very well behaved and so interested in all the artefacts and displays. Thank you to all the Y6 staff for their planning and care of the pupils whilst on the visit.

3PR is on its way!



A joint newsletter with the Infant school will be sent out tomorrow with lots of information about our new parking initiative coming to Barnes Farm schools. The new project will be launched from Tuesday 17th October and will involve the whole school community. Look out for the logo!



Harvest Foodbank appeal



Linking to Harvest, we are collecting food donations this half term for the Chelmsford Foodbank run by the Trussell Trust. This organisation aims to help families and individuals in need in a very practical way, free of charge. The following items are suggested as ideal products for donating:

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| Tinned vegetables | Tinned Soup |
| Tinned fish | Tinned potatoes |
| Tinned meat & meat pies | Tinned fruit |
| Tinned rice | Instant (powdered) potato |
| Instant (powdered) custard | Biscuits |
| Tinned sponge puddings | Cartons of fruit juice |
| Cartons of UHT milk | Jam |
| Squash | Tinned vegetables |

Items should be non-perishable (tinned and dried goods), which do not spoil or decay. All items should be unopened, in date and in good condition; it is forbidden by law to give away food which has passed its “use by” date. Please send them into school with your child or leave them at the office before the end of half term.

Parent Consultation Feedback

Thank you to all those who returned their feedback on the recent parent consultation arrangements. We will take these results on board when planning the Spring Term schedule. The free text comments were also very insightful too. Parents generally welcomed the smoother running to time that the hall system enabled, but some would have preferred greater exclusivity within the classroom. The opportunity to bring children along was also strongly welcomed. The advantage to having the consultations earlier in the term meant that any potential issues could be tackled sooner, but this sacrificed a more in-depth discussion around learning.

| | Strongly Agree | | Agree | | No Preference | | Disagree | | Strongly Disagree | |
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| I prefer parents evening within the first few weeks of term to allow an early exchange of information between home and school | 41 | 20% | 83 | 41% | 27 | 13% | 42 | 21% | 9 | 4% |
| I prefer parents evening appointments to take place in the hall | 19 | 9% | 52 | 26% | 78 | 39% | 39 | 19% | 14 | 7% |
| I welcome the opportunity to bring my child along to the meeting | 56 | 28% | 84 | 42% | 44 | 22% | 16 | 8% | 2 | 1% |



Star of the Week Hall of Fame



Friday 29th September 2017



6MS Amber Pannell
6C Kieran Tyson
6S Archie Durham
5M Luanna Howlett
5V Harry Edwards
5C Ellie Spurr
4P Ayesha Hussain
4S Benjamin Byott
4CK Joseph Mizon
3SG Jack Horncastle
3HM William Hall
3B Ethan Raza
Mid-day Star – Anahera Dzimati

Key Dates

Thurs 5th Oct Special All-Day Breakfast school lunch on offer
Y6 visit to Duxford

Sat 7th Oct 4pm – 9pm FOBFS PTA Discos

Thurs 12th Oct Revd Anne McKenzie Assembly

Fri 13th Oct Flu Immunisations

Mon 23rd Oct – Fri 27th Oct Half Term

Mon 30th Oct Non-Pupil Day 2

Fri 3rd Nov School Photographs

Sat 4th Nov Family Photographs

Weds 8th Nov Islamic Cultural Day

Thurs 9th Nov Book Fair arrives
Class 5C assembly

Thurs 16th Nov Class 4S assembly

Fri 17th Nov Children in need dress down day (details to follow)

Thurs 23rd Nov Class 3B assembly

Sat 25th Nov FOBFS PTA Winter Bazaar

Sat 9th Dec FOBFS PTA Winter Craft morning

Tues 19th Dec Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day in aid of Save the Children

Wed 20th Dec End of term