

NEWSLETTER

Attendance
97.3%

Summer Menu Week 1 next week (24th June)

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Freddie from Year 3 handles a tarantula in the Barn! See more in the Year 3 report about the visit of Jungle Jo.

Key Dates

- Mon 25th June** Year 2-Year 3 transition meeting for parents 7pm
 - Thurs 28th June** Move-Up Morning + Display Evening 5-7pm
 - Fri 29th June** Non-uniform day for Summer Fete
 - 4th- 5th July** Y6 Evening Productions
 - Fri 6th July** Non-uniform day and Summer Fete 3.30pm
 - Mon 9th July – 13th July** Y6 IOW Residential trip
 - Mon 16th July** Reports out to parents
 - Fri 20th July** 9am Y6 Leavers' Assembly
 - Fri 20th July** Peter Pan Production 4pm (entry to field from 3.30pm)
- End of term

Non-Pupil Days 2018-2019

04/09/2018 29/10/2018 03/01/2019
04/01/2019 24/05/2019

3SG Class Assembly

We were thoroughly impressed and entertained by the informative and high-quality performance of 3SG when presenting their class assembly last week. Taking their disco theme from the current Year 3 unit of work for music, the pupils also demonstrated their learning and understanding of recent science, literacy and topic work. Well done to the pupils and staff and a big thank you to family members who provided such wonderful costumes and other props.



Jungle Jo visits Year 3

Last week, Year 3 were thrilled to have a visit of 'Jungle Jo', who helped them develop their learning about habitats and adaptation of animals. She brought in five different creatures including a tarantula and a large cockroach which all the children had the opportunity to touch if they wanted to. Later, the children enjoyed a walk to Coronation Park where they had a picnic, sketched some of the surroundings and took part in a bug hunt.

Author writes to Year 4

As part of their topic learning about a European country (Denmark), Year 4 read the book 'Number the Stars' which is about the escape of a Jewish family from Copenhagen during World War II. The children wrote their own diary entries connected to the story in the book and these were sent to the author, Lois Lowry, who took the time to write back to Year 4. She told them how she researched the information for the book and why she chose to write a story set in that time and location.



Year 2 transition visits

We welcomed Year 2 pupils again last week on Tuesday and Thursday for paired reading with Year 5 pupils as part of their transition activities. They also attended 3SG's wonderful class assembly last Thursday and Mr McTaggart presented an assembly to all of the children at the Infant School on Monday. In the coming weeks, they will be visiting us for a second lunchtime and play at school, attending a whole school assembly and spending time with their new class teacher.



A thank you from the School Council

We had tremendous support for our cake and ice lolly sale last week and raised a superb £202.52 and then another £54.25 on Wednesday when selling leftover ice lollies. This brings the total to **£256.77**. The school council spent their meeting time this week deciding on items to buy in order to augment our playground equipment for use at lunchtimes which will have a positive impact on all of our pupils. These items have been ordered and should arrive in school by the end of the week/beginning of next week. The school council would like to thank everyone who kindly donated cakes or other sweet treats for the sale - we were really impressed with the huge selection. The council are also grateful to everyone who bought cakes or lollies and helped contribute to the total amount.



Class arrangements 2018-2019

In line with the roll out of our class structure policy, we will be informing parents of the new class arrangements early in the evening of Monday 25th June by email. This will be ahead of the 'move-up' transition morning on Thursday 28th June where the children will meet their new class teacher in their new room. Pupils will not be told about their new classes before parents are informed and we have chosen the evening to try and allow the majority of families to find out at the same time. The children will also have an initial opportunity to meet as their new class on the morning of Tuesday 26th June for a brief time.

Year 6 production request

Year 6 are busy rehearsing for their end of year production - 'Darwin Rocks' - and would be very grateful if anyone could loan some plastic cups and saucers for use as a prop. Please drop them into the office or give directly to one of the Year 6 team (in a named bag so they can be easily returned).

BFJS Radio request



The DJs of BFJS radio would be grateful for any parents who could give away any unwanted vinyl records and/or record covers which would be used to decorate the room in the Barn from which the station is broadcast. Please hand these in to the office.

Careful driving please

One of our parents was knocked over today by a car outside school at home time. Thankfully, they only suffered minor injuries this time. Car users - please continue to do all you can to drive slowly and safely and to park in sensible places to avoid an incident of this nature - or worse - happening again.



FOBFS PTA news - Summer Fete

Now a favourite fixture of the summer term, the PTA Summer Fete will be held on Friday 6th July from 3.30pm. There will be stalls, refreshments, inflatables, the Year 6 Enterprise projects and much, much more to enjoy - make sure you plan to be there!

We would very much appreciate your support by donating items for the tombola, raffle and refreshments as follows:

- Bottles of Wines/Spirits for the Wheelbarrow raffle (Junior Office drop off)
 - New/Unused Toiletries for the Tombola (Infant Office Drop Off)
 - New/Unwanted New Gifts for the Tombola (Infant Office Drop Off)
 - Jars of Sweets for the Tombola (Infant Office Drop Off)
 - Cakes (Bring on the Day - Infant Office drop off)
- (We do not require teddy or toy donations this year - thank you)

There will be two non-uniform days in the run-up to the fete and we ask that an item from the above list is brought in in exchange for not wearing uniform on those days. This is being matched by the Infant School. The days are Friday 29th June and Friday 6th July. Items can be brought to either school at any time from now.

Additionally, if you have any gazebos and/or long tables that can be used on the day and would be willing to help set up/away, please also let us know: chairfobfs@yahoo

Community News

Restorative Justice and Mediation Service.

This is a scheme, run by The Essex Restorative Justice and Mediation Service, which will allow victims of crime and anti-social behaviour (such as neighbour disputes) the chance to communicate with the perpetrator/s.

There is currently an opportunity for people who have the ability to learn skills that would allow them to assist the Service.

The Essex Restorative Justice and Mediation Service facilitates safe communication between those involved in a crime or conflict and allows victims to ask questions and receive meaningful reparation for the harm that has been caused. They are looking for volunteers to help them to deliver this provision.

- You would receive full training and ongoing support
 - You would become part of a friendly and supportive team
- You would be able to fit this role around your existing commitments

If you are aged over 18 years, live in Essex and are interested in learning more about this exciting and challenging volunteering role please contact restorativejustice@essex.pnn.police.uk or ring 01245 291609



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