



6th January 2017

Dear Parents,

A very happy New Year to you all - I hope that you had a peaceful break.

This week we have been talking a lot about New Year resolutions and how we can follow the ABC - Achievable, Beneficial and Changing. Some of the ones the children have come up with, which we wholeheartedly support, are being organised in the mornings so they aren't late for school, doing their homework - reading, practising spellings and learning their times tables and also focussing more in class! All of these resolutions will really help their learning so please support them, with us, in achieving them.

A reminder that you must sign your child up for Night Owls in advance - either at the office in the morning or by contacting them by phone/e-mail during the day. Any children that are late being picked up will be put in Night Owls and parents charged the 50p rate.

Today you will receive a 'How Food Smart Are You' pack from Change4life; you may have seen the free app for sugar cubes advertised on TV this week. It encourages adults and children to think about the sugar, salt and fat hidden in our food - some not so obvious as others!

News from Classes:

Robins - Robins enjoyed spending an afternoon at Forest School with Year 1s learning to tie knots on Wednesday. They have also begun their new topic 'Off we go' travelling to space in a rocket tent in the book corner and climbing aboard a train in the role-play area. During PE this term a gym instructor from School Sports Network will be teaching Robins; this week Miss Ballinger taught us body shapes and how to use them in jumps and turns. She was impressed with how hard the children worked.

Kingfishers- Kingfishers have had a very busy first week back after the Christmas holidays. We kicked off our Space topic by creating our planets display. We have been having fun with bubbles, shaving foam and spray paint! Year 2 returned from their first swimming session full of enthusiasm and Year 1 loved getting mucky at Forest School. They all had a go at mastering tricky clove hitch knots, not easy when you're six! Many thanks to Lorraine Parker and Zoe Howell for their help and patience!

Owls - We have been practising our measuring in Owls this week and in particular our ruler skills. We have learnt about different units of measurement and how to convert between millimetres, centimetres, meters and kilometres. We put our measurement skills to good use by designing our own compass pointers in our topic work.

Eagles -Eagles started their Maths topic of Fractions, Decimals and Percentages by thinking about simplifying and adding fractions. They were supported in this by the use of Smarties on Thursday - it was interesting to find out the variation of numbers of colours from tube to tube. Year 5 in particular were absolute stars with this!

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Kelly

This week's 'Golden Children'

Gold Book:

Robins - Ines for your enthusiasm and concentration in gym whilst learning about body shapes.

Kingfishers - Joseph for thinking carefully about spelling and addition and showing good concentration in lessons this week - a great start to the New Year & Charlie for good expression in guided reading.

Owls - Isla W for the hard work she has put into her measurement work.

Eagles - Theo for applying himself well to Yoga & Ollie who works well with others and is always very supportive.

Attitude Tree: Finley for being helpful at tidy up times, Talullah for showing a really positive attitude towards reading at home as well as at school - keep it up! Callum for having a go at reading & writing activities by himself - well done! Lily R for giving 100% all the time and putting her hand up to answer questions, Kit for lots of positive contributions to class discussions.

Also special congratulations to: Grace Milner, Lewis Burnett-Hockey, Charlotte, Josie, Monty and Fenton for reaching 100 nights reading!!



BIRTHDAYS OVER THE HOLIDAYS AND THIS WEEK

Lewis & Liam BH, Maisie & George HW

NEXT WEEK'S MENU				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Sausages & Mash Potato	BBQ Chicken Pizza	Roast Ham with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	MSC Battered Fish with Chips
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Vegetable Sausage with Mash Potato	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Red Pepper & Cheese Frittata with Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Pasta Bolognese	Vegetable Wrap with Chips
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Jacket Potato with Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayo	Jacket Potato with Beans
Garden Peas & Carrots	Coleslaw, Mixed Salad	Broccoli, Crushed Swede	Green Beans & Sweetcorn	Baked Bean & Garden Peas
Fruit Crumble & Custard	Chocolate Muffin with Chocolate Sauce	Carrot Cake	Wholemeal Banana Sponge with Custard	Toffee Crispy