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This week's news

Welcome to February!

First of all I would like to say a big thank you to parents who are already offering children a healthier treat to celebrate birthdays within school. As I wrote last week it is such a special time for them, but it is so nice to hear about some healthy (but still lovely) treats coming in to school.

I have heard recently about issues regarding the use of the disabled parking spaces within school. Whilst not always evident I am aware of a number of instances where the parking space is being used to assist people who have an almost 'invisible need'. If you have any specific issues regarding parking, I would welcome a private discussion to clarify that I am aware of particular situations and that I would consider the parking arrangements entirely appropriate.

Next week (Tuesday to be precise) is safer internet day. I will be leading an assembly on safer internet use and we will be getting children to create posters to remind others of how to use the internet safely. We would welcome your support on this matter by supporting 'safe use' at home and by talking through how to protect themselves online. You can find resources to support yourself and your child at <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>, but as always I would advise checking these out carefully before using them. Every child is different and there are some resources that you might think are not appropriate for your child at their current age.

I hope you have a fantastic weekend and I look forward to the excitement that is the school disco next Friday (with of course the one and only DJ Duxbury!).

P.T.F.A: Making a difference!

Our next Steering Group meeting is on 14th March at 7.30pm in 'The Hub'. We are now beginning to plan our next project.

Children's Disco 9th February

Back by popular demand, come along for an evening full of fun, laughter and dance.

5.30-6.30 Oak and Ash Disco,

6.45-8.00 Key Stage 2

£4.00 per ticket to include refreshments. Tickets available from the office.

Use our Virtual Shop. www.easyfundraising.org.uk

Just go to the site and register, we are listed as All Saints Leek Wootton.

Sport:

Netball Vs Woodloes - away.

Year 5 & 6 played against Woodloes away on Monday 29th January. Both Woodloes teams proved to be on fantastic form, giving them a final score of 11-0 and 5-0. We are trying not to be too down hearted about the scores because we all played to our very best, concentrating on marking and defending. For the year 5 players this was their very first match ever! So very well done Team All Saints'. By Luca.

A very big thank you to all of our parents who helped with lifts this week, we couldn't take part without you.



All Saints
Together
at All Saints=
Parish Church

Do you have a Christingle Collection Candle from our Christmas services?
Did you miss the Christingle service?
Keep being generous and help raise money for the Children's Society, then bring your candle along to the Box Opening Assembly.

SUNDAY 4 FEBRUARY

8.00am - Holy Communion

9.30am - All Age Worship

SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY

9.00am - PANCAKE BREAKFAST

10.00am - Holy Communion with groups for children

WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

7.30pm - ASH WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY

8.00am - Holy Communion

Class Highlights of the Week:

Oak Class: This week in maths we are learning the names of the following 3D shapes, cube, cuboid, pyramid, cone, cylinder and sphere. We have had lots of fun learning the names and describing their properties. We have been modelling and building with these 3D shapes. Please reinforce these names at home, using vocabulary such as face, edge, roll and corners. In literacy this week we have been writing our own instructions, using bossy words and exclamation marks.

We are learning about different weather types and the four seasons.

WANTED - We need small off cuts of wood for our early years woodwork activities. If it can be sanded down to prevent splinters that would be fantastic.

We also need lots of recycled junk for modelling please, to make dinosaurs! Please raid your recycling bins.

Monday 5th February

Burton Green reception children will be joining Oak class for their Dinosaur Mucky Monday activities. Please ensure your child has suitable clothes for Mucky Monday, messy activities.

Ash Class: In Ash class this week, we've been enjoying reading the story Farmer Duck and learning to write recounts of events using past tense verbs. Ask your child to name some time connectives that they've used to sequence their ideas.

Our computing topic this half term is online safety. We've introduced the children to email and they enjoyed sending messages using Purple Mash on the Learning Platform. Remember, you can access this at home. We've been learning about the dangers of opening messages and attachments from people we don't know and who to tell if something upsets them. The children are learning to navigate different websites and we've revisited how we hide a page and report upsetting or unkind content to a trusted adult.

School Meals:

The cost of school meals are £2.35 per day. For this half term will be £70.50 per pupil in Key Stage 2. Please ensure that dinner arrears are kept to a minimum. Thank you.

Dudley class: At the end of last week, year 3 had a visitor from outer space contact them via the internet to explain that she was opening a human hotel on her planet and wanted us to let her know everything they knew about plants. Coincidentally they are learning about plants during our science lessons so they will be setting up some experiments to demonstrate to her what plants need to survive, as well as discovering how plants reproduce and grow. During literacy children have been writing about their fears when they were younger and will be creating a "Big Dudley's Little book of fears," which is similar to the book they are studying in their lessons. The children have really been stretched during numeracy lessons and have now conquered the infamous subtraction using a number line up to 5 digits! They enjoyed playing hit the button subtraction game, which can, as you know be accessed at home. We are all really looking forward to visiting the Buddhist retreat next week. Please remember to bring your offerings for their begging bowl and to discuss how important it is for the children to follow their expected behaviour. Regular lunch choices can be made on this day we will have early lunch sittings so we can be ready for the bus at 12.30. Have a lovely weekend.

Waller Class: Waller pupils have been working extremely hard this week. During numeracy they have been applying their strategies for subtraction to find differences in numbers with up to 3 decimal places. This has been applied to a range of contextual problem solving questions relating to money. Remember to keep up their times table practise at home. Any extra support that you can provide with this, will be greatly appreciated! During literacy the children have begun to plan their very own 'Just So' story, ready for their 'Hot Task' write up. A huge well done to pupils making a special effort to read daily at home...it hasn't gone unnoticed! Please remember to encourage your child to read as much as they can outside of school - more reads equals more 'house-points!' To ensure that children's diaries can be signed off, remember to fill in the pages read and initial by the side. Well done Waller!

Wise Class: In Wise Class this week we have been writing newspaper articles about graffiti tags going up in school! We looked at how to include the 5w's in our introductory paragraph (who, what, where, why and when). We have learnt how to draw the reader in and attract attention with an exciting headline. Do look around school soon to see our artistic creations displayed around school.

In maths we have focused on calculating percentages. We have worked out how to calculate 10% and 1% in order to work out other percentages of different totals.

We have also looked at French numbers up to 1 million and learnt how to say and recognise numbers.

Thank you to those parents who came to the SATS evening on Wednesday, for any who missed the information, do check your child's bag for the PowerPoint and other useful information. Have a great weekend!

**CHILDRENS' SOCIETY BOX OPENING
WEDNESDAY 28th FEBRUARY**

Some of our children have been saving donations at home in boxes and candles. Please bring these along. Any additional donations are always welcome, whether they are in a box or not. Please invite supporters of the Childrens' Society to join us, everybody welcome. Coffee and Chat after the assembly in 'The Hub'.

Awards

Truly Brilliant- Ella I, Rachel C, Andreas, Ella D, Edward W

Bronze - Evie Shields, Antonio, Bella T, Louis, Liam, Leo,

Silver - Ana Hall,

Silver plus- Pavle

Handwriting Level 1 - Tommy

Rainbow Steps - Isabelle W, Aiyana,

Raising the Roof - Rory W, Ava R,

Super Cool - Daniel M,

Amazingly Wicked - Daniel M

Mind Blowingly Brilliant - Alannah

Mathlete of the Week -

Reception - Alec H

KS1 - Clara W

KS2 - Evie Shields

Kenilworth School Bus update:

Mrs Harrison would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone that got involved with emailing their concerns and speaking on the local radio to help the campaign to keep the Leek Wootton to Kenilworth School bus free so as not to force children to walk along a dangerous route.

Update:

At the Cabinet meeting today the following decision was taken.

" Having regard to the concerns raised by the consultation exercise, by Overview and Scrutiny and by local members, Cabinet believes that it would be appropriate to reconsider the re-classified walking routes as outlined in the Cabinet paper"

At this stage , although no more can be done for now, this is a very positive interim outcome. We will communicate to you further as to how we as a village and a community can support this campaign in the near future.

Many thanks