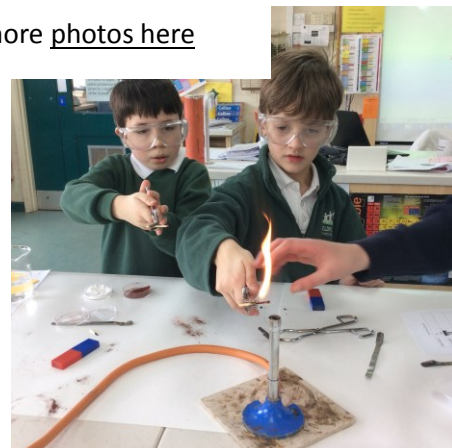


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MELDRETH MESSAGES



Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen by their teachers to receive a Headteacher award:

Max Z, William M, Aliyah L, Gracie P, Isla B, Amy I, Toby C, Miley C, Toby DS, Daniella W and Billy C

Olympic Values Trophy

For respect, excellence and friendship in sport, our trophy winners are...

Isla HP, Finely H, Alish Fergus, Xander C, Ashton W, Sam F, Florence F, Toby DS, Cuan H

Home Learners of the Week

This fortnight **Lewis D** was awarded his silver Athletics award and **Toby C** shared his satellite model in assembly. We were all very impressed.

House Points this half term...

Oak	Ash
695	619
Elm	Beech
387	424

Watch out for PE kits coming home next week for a quick wash ready for summer term PE lessons.

It was lovely to see the children so enthusiastic during the fun run today. Thanks to all those of you who volunteered your time to ensure the children had a good, safe time. We raised a total of £135 for Sport Relief - a fabulous thank you to all!

It was great to see you all in school during this week's parent consultation evening. Tremendous thanks to all parents who filled in our parent survey this term; we very much appreciate the time that you spent completing it and value all your views and feedback. We are very pleased with the high level of confidence you feel in all aspects of the school. Thank you also to those of you who included additional comments or suggestions which will support our future development and for your support and partnership in our shared aim of giving your child a safe, happy and effective education. You can see the full results in the vision and values section of [our website](#).

Staff News

Congratulations to Mrs Willan who is moving to Coton Primary School In September in the role of Assistant Headteacher. This is a wonderful opportunity for her but sad for us as she has brought great enthusiasm to her teaching role and has supported the wider life of the school, notably through her love of dressing up and the Macarena! Our recruitment process to find a new Key Stage 2 teacher is well underway.

With the children's support we recently made an appointment for a new class teacher for Robin class whilst Mrs Franks leaves us to have her baby. I am pleased to announce that after Easter, Mrs Samantha Ward will be joining Miss Haigh in Robin class. We wish Mrs Franks all the best with her new arrival due after the Easter holiday.

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Diary Dates

March

Friday 23rd School Discos

Wednesday 28th Parents Meetings

Thursday 29th Last Day of Term

April

Monday 16th – Back to school

Tuesday 24th KS2 cross country

Wednesday 25th High 5 finals

May

Thursday 3rd **Y5 Maths Challenge**

Monday 7th May Day school closed

Wednesday 9th **Y5 Residential**

Monday 14th **Year 6 SATs Week**

Tuesday 22nd – Happy Shoesday!

Thursday 24th & Friday 25th School closed for staff training

Monday 28th – Friday 1st June

HALF TERM

June

Monday 4th - Back to school

Friday 29th Sports Day

2018-19 Term dates available here



In order for us to carry out the necessary work before the end of the financial year in March, we request that **all dinner money must be paid for a.s.a.p.** Please speak to Mrs Plumb for advice.

Next week in school all children will be taking part in discussions about the changes that happen as we grow. We feel that it is important that children grow up to be confident about themselves and about changes they may experience, not only as their bodies change but as their emotions and relationships change. A selection of the resources we share with the children can be seen on our [website](#).

Hockey Heroes

Yesterday, six of our Year 5 & 6 children took part in our sports partnership Quicksticks Competition against other local primary schools. Quicksticks is an introductory form of hockey for primary school players. Our team battled hard in the competition, playing four matches back to back and not only were they awarded third place but they certainly showed determination, passion, respect, honesty self-belief and teamwork.

A huge well done to **Emma B, Annabelle H, Elias R, Luca H, Eddie C and Alex GW**

Dinner Money Matters

Dinner money is payable on the first day of the week – normally this is Monday – even if your child only has a school dinner on Thursdays. At the moment they are £2.30 per day, £11.50 per week and these must be paid in advance. Families of pupils whose dinner money debt rises above £10 will be asked to send in packed lunches until a positive balance is restored. Rest assured, children who forget to bring their packed lunch to school will be provided with a school dinner, and payment can be made at a later date.

Attendance at school

As you are aware, schools have strict guidelines to follow when dealing with non-attendance. **Holidays taken in term time will not be authorised** unless there are exceptional circumstances. Every day in school, or a trip away from school, is carefully planned to ensure all our children develop the knowledge, understanding, skills & experiences to flourish. In missing school time children not only miss key learning but then have to ensure they have caught up on what has been missed.

Our Attendance Target is 96% ... September to February 95.7%