



#### **Headteacher Awards**

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

Lily H, Freddy-Lee C, Sienna B, Alexander H, Gregory K, Jamie D, Alex F, Evie B, Otto W

## **Olympic Values Trophy**

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

Toby V, Zac D-S, Max C, Aliya L, Jessica P, Millie K, Will H, Ruby B, Harvey T, Rhys P

#### **Writers of the Week**

Oscar D, Matilda P, Edward D, Maya S, Leo H, Ed R

#### **House Points**

This half term's competition is over...Well done Beech house for collecting an amazing 301 points for working hard and showing great behaviour! The totals this half term

are..

Oak	Ash
<b>151</b>	179
Elm	Beech
195	301

This week in school we said farewell to two MUCH-loved school staff, Mrs Robinson and Miss Harvey. Both have worked as part of our school family for the past 18 years and have been parents of pupils at our school before this. **Mrs Robinson**, our receptionist, has retired after many years looking after pupils' bumps and scrapes and fulfilling many different tasks for all our extended family over the years. She is well-known for offering sympathy and plasters to children with playground injuries, as well as feeding us all up with fabulous cakes and painting our faces. Many of the children she first looked after now have their own children at the school.

Mrs Robinson has had a huge impact on the school and its community over the years - it is immeasurable what she has done for us. She will be greatly missed by staff, pupils and families. Luckily for us she has agreed to cover in the school office occasionally and will continue her support for knitting club.

**Miss Harvey** has become indispensable in school, supporting children at lunchtime, in Change 4 life, coaching High 5's Netball, running Sensory Circuits and as a playleader at Lookout club. Children and staff have turned to her for help ranging from nursing injuries to fixing the plumbing. Please take some time to <u>click and watch</u> our celebration of their time with us.

Thank you all for completing our **parent/carer survey** over the past fortnight. We are most interested to hear your views and will be sharing these with you in the near future.

# **Spring Blossoms**

You may have noticed the bulbs that have started to push through around the base of the tree in front of the school office. This area is now off limits to allow the bulbs time to flower, frost permitting! Thanks again to the parents involved in planting the 200 bulbs, and for your cooperation.

## **Diary Dates**

#### **February**

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd School Closed for Half Term

Tues 26<sup>th</sup> High 5s netball

#### March

Weds 6<sup>th</sup> Quicksticks hockey Y5/6 Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> World Book Day bedtime stories

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultations Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Y5/6 Wandlebury visit Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultations Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day Tea Party Fri 29<sup>th</sup> PTA Disco

#### **April**

Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> Y3/4 Production Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Y3/4 Production Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Last day of term Information is also available on our school website calendar.

Term dates are available here

# Friday 15th March is Red Nose Day.

After half term we will be selling Red Noses for a donation of £1.25 or more. Please send the correct change.



#### 500 Words

This week Mr Jones introduced all of the children to the BBC Radio 2 – 500 words short story competition. The competition is great motivation to write. We would love to see every child aged 5 and above enter the competition. There are lots of great resources on the website to look at including last year's stories and top tips from famous authors. Click here for more information. Mr Jones would love to read any stories written.

## **Parent Consultation Evenings**

We are hosting our parents' consultation meetings on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>** and **Thursday 28th March.** This is an opportunity for you to have a progress update from your child's teacher, and for the teacher to provide an overview of your child in school.

Look out for further notice of our online booking system opening after half term. We hope to see you there.

## **Big Bedtime Story**

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** children and parents are invited back to school from 5.30pm - 6.00pm to join in our **'Big Bedtime Story Event'**. Children will share stories with friends and teachers, bring a teddy bear or soft toy, wear pyjamas/dressing gown and bring a pillow. Children will be given their World Book Day voucher to exchange for their free book or discount at bookshops.

Curriculum activities and support for parents is planned too from 5.30pm – 6pm in our newly designed library areas. We hope you can come and join us.

#### **Football Feat**

Last week Henry H, Leo H, Zac D-S, Toby C, Jonny T, Elliot F and Bailey B, our Year 3 and 4 boys, went to Melbourn Village College to compete in the finals of the Indoor 5-a-side competition on the *astro-turf!!* The team played superbly winning or drawing all of their matches. The children were very excited to be playing together representing our school especially as this was the first time that they had played together as a team. The tournament resulted in our team coming in second place decided on points. Well done everyone!

Puffin class wool weaving in the woods