

# Newsletter Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023

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## **Household Support Fund 3**

You may have heard that the Government have awarded further Household Support Fund grant monies to support local households facing financial hardship over the winter.

If you have not already done so, please contact Mrs Tammy Snape (our Pastoral Manager) on 07922 576932 or at <a href="mailto:tsnape@gamesley.derbyshire.sch.uk">tsnape@gamesley.derbyshire.sch.uk</a> and she will arrange an appointment to support you in applying for the fund.

#### **PTA Plans**

The PTA do amazing work, organizing and funding events for the children such as the discos, fairs, coach



hire for the annual panto trips and Christmas and Easter treats.

Thanks to all your generous support, they now have a healthy(ish!) bank balance and so have agreed to buy a lovely new friendship

bench for the school playground. The PTA are now busy saving up to buy the children a new "trim trail" to make their playtimes even more fun.



We will keep you up to date about progress towards buying the trim trail and in the meantime the PTA have asked me to thank all of you for

your ongoing support and generous donations that enable them to keep fundraising for the children. Thank you!

#### **Internet Matters Website**

If you want to find out more about keeping your children safe online, this website contains a huge amount of information and support for families

<u>Information, Advice and Support to Keep Children Safe Online</u> (internetmatters.org)



#### **Stars of the Week**

Congratulations to last "Values" week's stars who were:

Orchard	Kind	Ethan has been kind and caring towards everyone in Orchard.
Acorns	Kind	Evan is always kind to everyone in Acorns Class.
Birch	Resilient	Adshu demonstrates resilience in all his learning especially in maths and
		reading lessons.
Willow	Resilient	Even if she is not feeling 100% well, Olivia always works hard and follows
		all advice given.
Holly	Articulate	Alaska used her excellent communication skills in our PE lesson this week
		to organise her group in creating their own dance.
Chestnut	Articulate	Flo articulates her mathematical thinking using sentence stems to support
		her.
Elm	Articulate	Ollie uses sentence stems to reason and explain the strategies he uses in
		our maths lessons.
Ash	Articulate	Eva-May can clearly explain her thinking to the class.
Oak	Articulate	Jayden thinks carefully about the messages he wants to convey, and then
		expresses himself clearly and with confidence.

In our last assembly we celebrated maths across school and our maths stars were:

Acorns	Cole works really hard in all our maths lessons.		
Birch	Alfred loves a challenge in his maths work.		
Willow	Emma uses correct mathematical vocabulary when explaining her thinking in maths.		
Holly	Riley is a resilient mathematician who has the confidence to ask for additional support if he needs it.		
Chestnut	Rocco consistently challenges himself in every maths lesson.		
Elm	Amelia is resilient in our maths lessons and is able to accept help to get out of "the learning pit" when she needs it.		
Ash	Ethan has been working successfully through some very tricky algebra questions this week.		
Oak	Cohen has been recalling his prior learning on place value to support his current work on decimals.		

Our Special Kindness Award was awarded this week to Amelia:

Amelia always thinks of others and gives up her own time willingly to make school a safe space for everyone. Amelia is a school councillor, a member of the "Health Champions" team and she makes posters and PowerPoints to signpost children to wellbeing support. Amelia is a good friend to everyone and makes sure no one ever feels lonely or left out.

As her reward, Amelia will be spending a lot of time with Maggie next week, walking her on the school field, grooming her and helping Ms Sutherland to train her. Very well done, Amelia!

I can't believe another half term is nearly over! We have had a lovely few weeks in school despite the chilly weather. I hope you all have a restful half term break and look forward to seeing you back in school again on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February when spring will be just around the corner. Kindest regards,

### Deborah Meredith

W/B Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb 23	Parent Teacher meetings this week – No clubs this week
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb 23	Year 4 field trip to Manor Park – Group A
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb 23	Year 4 field trip to Manor Park – Group B
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 23	School closes for Spring half term holiday
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 23	School Opens for Spring Term 2
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 23	Year 2 Family Dinner Day: 12.15
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Year 1 Family Dinner Day: 12.15
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Reception Family Dinner Day: 12.00
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 23	Acorns and Orchard trip to Hartley's Garden Centre and Pony Patch
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 23	Acorns and some Orchard children Easter Experience
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 23	Year 3 and remaining Orchard children Easter Experience
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 23	Year 5 First Aid Training in school
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Year 2 trip to St. Anne's
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Year 1 Bus Tour of Manchester
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 23	School closes for Easter holiday
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 23	School Opens for Summer Term 1
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 23	Year 6 visit to Stockport Air Raid Shelters
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 23	Acorns and Orchard trip to Peak Wildlife Park
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 23	Year 3 visit to Heaton Park Synagogue
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 23	School closed – Bank Holiday
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 23	Year 5 Ancient Greece workshop in school
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 23	School closed – Coronation Weekend
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 23	Year 6 SATS week
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 23	Year 4 Ancient Egypt workshop in school

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 23	Class Photographs
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 23	School closes for Summer Half Term holiday
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 23	School Opens for Summer Term 2
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 23	Year 6 residential trip to Kingswood Centre in Penistone.
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 23	Reception Acorns trip to Formby Beach
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 23	Year 5 trip to Alton Towers
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 23	Year 4 "Come and Play with the Halle" concert in Manchester
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 23	Year 2 trip to Skipton Castle
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 23	Year 3 trip to "Crocky Trail"
July (tbc)	Year 1 Canal Boat Trip
Friday 21st July 23	School Closes for Summer Holiday