Newsletter



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Dear Families,

Ofsted Report

You should already have received a copy of our recent Ofsted report by email. We are delighted that the inspection team who visited us in April judged the school to be securely "good" in all aspects of its work and that they were particularly impressed by the excellent behaviour of the children. Thank you to everyone who responded to the parent questionnaire. Although they are not published, the inspectors also shared some of your lovely comments about the school with the governors and the Trust – thank you so much, they were very much appreciated.

The report will be published on the Ofsted website within a few days but in the meantime, you are welcome to share the good news with everyone!

Tax-Free Child Care

Our "Early Birds and Night Owls" wrap around care provision is now registered for Tax-Free Childcare. For more information about whether this can benefit you, please go to https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/how-to-use-tax-free-childcare/

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to our last two weeks' stars who were:

Curious	Eric is curious about the Orchard environment and loves to walk around
	the classroom independently and explore the activities.
Curious	Mylah always wants to find out more and asks some great questions.
Curious	Jenson gives 100% to everything he does, asks lots of great questions and
	is eager to learn more.
Curious	Alyssa is really enjoying our "Marvellous Monarchs" history project and is
	asking lots of questions to further her knowledge.
Confident	Marshall is happy to share his opinions with the class. He is secure in his
	own abilities but also has the confidence to ask for help when he needs it.
Confident	Darcie is confident in her own abilities and about asking for help when she
	needs it
Kind	Amelia always treats everyone with kindness and respect.
Kind	Ruby has been offering encouragement and words of kindness to her
	classmates during a challenging week in school.
Kind	Archie is always kind and thoughtful , especially so this week
	when he arranged a post-SATs treat for everyone!
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Orchard	Independent	Harry has been going to his year group lessons independently and trying so hard to complete his work.
Acorns	Independent	Harlow independently offers to help tidy up the classroom each day – he is such a great helper!
Birch	Independent	Mylah-Blue is becoming an independent learner because she listens so beautifully to the teaching and always tries her best to produce high quality work.
Willow	Independent	Mia produced some amazing art work this week. She was able to work independently because she listened so carefully to the adult advice and applied everything she had been taught.
Holly	Thoughtful	Isabelle is a kind and caring friend who goes out of her way to help others.
Chestnut	Thoughtful	Amber is a thoughtful learner who always plans and considers her work carefully.
Elm	Brave	Emily is becoming much more confident about speaking out and sharing her ideas in class discussions.
Ash	Brave	Despite having a broken finger, Indie has come into school every day, worked as hard as ever and never complained.
Oak	Brave	Amelia bravely took part in our auditions this week and delivered her lines brilliantly.

Very well done too to our Reading Stars:

Acorns	Oliver always works hard in his daily reading lessons.
Birch	Marley reads consistently and is making great progress.
Willow	Logan listens so beautifully to our class novel and makes sure he reads every evening at
	home.
Holly	Alivia ensures she reads at home, in Early Birds and in Night Owls.
Chestnut	Oliver reads regularly at home and makes great contributions in our "Reading
	Explorers" lessons.
Elm	Lucas always reads at home and works very hard in reading lessons in school.
Ash	Archie is very organized and committed to reading regularly at home.
Oak	Colton reads at home without fail, and he worked exceptionally hard in preparation for
	this week's reading SATs tests.

And our Maths Stars:

Acorns	Pawa always joins in well in maths lessons and loves the maths games that are available
	in the learning environment.
Birch	Isabelle is making great progress in maths and is independently selecting concrete
	resources to support her learning.
Willow	Harrison has a great "can do" attitude in maths lessons. He is resilient and keeps going
	until he has grasped a new concept.
Holly	Natasha is a resilient and enthusiastic mathematician who is always ready to tackle new
	learning.
Chestnut	Flo can explain her mathematical reasoning clearly which not only helps her own
	progress, but also means she is a supportive learning partner.
Elm	Charlie approaches new learning in maths with enthusiasm and challenges himself in
	every lesson.
Ash	Faith continues to apply herself and work as hard as possible in every maths lesson,
	building on the amazing attitude she demonstrated in our recent maths SATs.

Oak	Mia has worked so hard in our problem-solving lessons this week. She has been	
	annotating the questions, finding the key information and choosing the correct	
	calculations to find answers.	

Kindest regards,

Deborah Meredith

	Dates for your Diary
Wed 7 th to Fri 9 th June 23	Year 6 residential trip to Kingswood Centre in Penistone.
Thursday 8 th June 23	Reception Acorns trip to Formby Beach
Thursday 8 th June 23	Visit for new Reception families at 6.00pm
Friday 9 th June 23	Year 3 Family Dinner Day
Tues 13 th – Friday 16 th June	Whole School Art and Poetry Project
Friday 16 th June 23	Year 2 Family Dinner Day 12.15pm
Thursday 22 nd June 23	Sports Day
Friday 23 rd June 23	Year 1 Family Dinner Day 12.15pm
Tuesday 27 th June 23	Year 4 Chestnut Class taking part in "Victorious Voices" concert at Rayner Stephens school in Tameside.
Wednesday 28 th June 23	Year 5 trip to Alton Towers
Thursday 29 th June	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 30 th June 23	Reception Family Dinner Day 12.00 noon
Tuesday 4 th July 23	Year 4 "Come and Play with the Halle" concert in Manchester
Wednesday 5 th July 23	Year 2 trip to Skipton Castle
Thursday 6 th July 23	Year 1 Canal Boat Trip
Thursday 6 th July 23	New Reception starters school visit: 4.00pm to 5.00pm
Thursday 6 th July 23	Year 3 trip to "Crocky Trail"
Tuesday 11 th July 23	Year 6 Production: 6.00pm
Wednesday 12 th July 23	Year 6 Production: 2.00pm and 6.000pm
Thursday 13 th July 23	New Reception starters school visit: 4.00pm to 5.00pm
Thursday 20 th July 23	School Disco: 4.00pm to 5.00pm
Friday 21st July 23	Year 6 Leavers Assembly: 2.00pm
Friday 21st July 23	School Closes for Summer Holiday
Wednesday 6 th Sep 23	School opens for Autumn Term 1
Mon 18 th to Wed 20 th Sep 23	Year 6 subsidised Residential trip to Whitehall Centre
Wed 4 th to Fri 6 th Oct 23	Year 5 subsidised 3-day course at Whitehall Centre (not residential)