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Dear Families,

1. Headlice

We have had a few instances of headlice in both schools recently. Please don't be offended if we give you a call to let you know that we have spotted some little visitors in your child's hair. If you can comb live lice out as soon as you see them with a nit comb and plenty of conditioner you may have a chance to prevent them from laying their eggs (nits) which are much harder to remove as they stick to the hair shafts.

2. Nursery Ofsted Inspection

The new school term started with a bang with a phone call from Ofsted first thing on Monday morning! It was a very useful visit and we hope to share the full report soon. In the meantime, I am allowed to tell you that the two inspectors said lots of lovely things about your children!

3. Staffing for September 2024

We will be saying a few goodbyes at the end of this term and welcoming some new staff to our team in September. The outline staffing plan for the next academic year is:

Nursery Catkins	Mrs Kerrie Wood Doyle and Mrs Rachael Kennington	
Nursery Conkers	Mrs Hazel Walmsley, Mrs Wendy Bruce and Mrs Donna Kenny	
Reception Acorns	Mrs Lyn Malik and Miss Joanne Crossland	
Year 1 Silver Birch	Miss Toni Bruce, Mrs Steph Clarke and Mrs Carolyn Waude	
Year 2 Willow	Miss Abi Gordon and Mrs Emma Kidd	
Year 3 Holly	Miss Clare Dangerfield and Mrs Tracey Delaney	
Year 4 Chestnut	Mrs Jenny Parker, Mrs Kirsty Taylor and Mrs Kerry Parkin	
Year 5 Elm	Miss Ashleigh Martin, Miss Lydia Regan, Miss Dawn Stevenson and Mrs Emily	
	Stanton	
Year 6 Oak	Miss Emma Brown and Mrs Jemma Dixon	
Class Cover	Mrs Katy Clubb and Mrs Karen Barton (Higher Level Teaching Assistants)	
Orchard Apples	Mrs Michelle Roscoe, Mrs Julie Banner-McGrath and Mrs Gemma Fewtrell	
Orchard Cherries	Mrs Cath Priestley, Mrs Louise Amesbury and Mrs Shelly Winterbottom	
Midday Team	Mrs Sandra Warburton, Miss Donna Ellis, Miss Summer Bladen-Hovell, Mrs	
	Joanne Goddard, Miss Adele Richardson, Mrs Kerry Sparham,	
	Mrs Hazel Walmsley, Miss Tracey McNeil	



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4. Stars of the Week

Congratulations to our recent stars who are:



Friday 17 th May 2024				
Class	Value			
Nursery	Independent	Isabella is always organised for school and sorts out her bookbag and		
Conkers	independent	equipment each morning without adult help.		
Reception	Independent	Lola works in an organized way throughout the school day, making sure		
Acorns	independent	she has everything she needs to be independent.		
Year 1 Silver	Independent	Harry is an independent worker in our math lessons		
Birch	independent	Harry is an independent worker in our math lessons.		
Year 2	Independent	Alfred is showing great independence in his writing and is producing		
Willow	писрепист	some great pieces of work.		
Year 3 Holly	Thoughtful	Emma is a kind and thoughtful fried to everyone in Year 3 Holly Class		
Year 4	Thoughtful	Archie is such a thoughtful and caring member of Year 4 Chestnut Class.		
Chestnut	mougntiui	Archie is such a thoughtful and caring member of fear 4 chestilut class.		
Year 5 Elm	Brave	Flo is a determined young lady who doesn't let any anxiety or worry hold		
Tear 5 Lilli	Diave	her back!		
Year 6 Oak	Brave	Emily tackles everything Year6 throws at her (including the SATs tests)		
	Diave	with a very pleasing "can do" attitude.		
Orchard	Independent	Jaxon has been impressing us with his independent reading skills.		

Friday 7 th June 2024		
Class	Value	
Nursery Conkers	Brave	Lilah is brave and determined and tackles everything in school with a positive attitude.
Reception Acorns	Brave	Ella has such a super attitude to everything in school and is willing to give everything a go.
Year 1 Silver Birch	Creative	Darcy loves learning and will find innovative and creative approaches to tackle new ideas.
Year 2 Willow	Creative	Harvey demonstrated his creative skills when he panned and built an amazing model of a mosque from a pile of recycling!
Year 3 Holly	Motivated	Annabelle is such a motivated learner and as a result of this great attitude, she is making super progress.
Year 4 Chestnut	Motivated	Alaska gives 100% to everything she does in school and always wants to do her best.
Year 5 Elm	Patient	Charlie demonstrates patience and respect in his dealings with everyone in Chestnut Class.
Year 6 Oak	Patient	Aaliyah always waits her turn and is kind and respectful to everyone.



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Orchard	Brave	Ethan is showing great bravery in starting to work with different adults in
		readiness for his transition to secondary school.

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Class	Value		
Nursery	Honest	Lolah is always helpful in our class. She looks out for everyone and always	
Conkers	Honest	gets a grownup if someone has a problem or needs extra support.	
Reception	Honest		
Acorns	Honest		
Year 1 Silver	Confident	We have been delighted to see Jessica develop more confidence in class	
Birch	Connaent	and ask and answer questions in front of everyone.	
		Cody has developed such a balanced approach to his learning. He always	
Year 2 Willow	Confident	tries to complete tasks independently but also has the confidence to ask for	
		adult support when he needs it.	
Year 3 Holly	Grateful	Olivia is always pleased and grateful when she is learning	
Year 4	Brave	Olivia has not allowed a broken arm to stop her joining in every aspect of	
Chestnut		school life and working really hard!	
Year 5 Elm	Curious	Lilly asks some great questions to extend her learning.	
Voor 6 Ook	Curious	Isaac has shown great interest in this term's history project: "Britain at	
Year 6 Oak	Curious	War".	
Orchard	Kind	Alfie is so kind to everyone in Orchard and is brilliant at sharing his toys.	

Very well done too to the last two weeks' curriculum stars who were:

Friday 17 th May 2024		
Nursery	Reading	Sharu knows our class library very well and chooses favourite books to read.
Conkers		
Reception	Maths	Beau listens so carefully in our maths lessons, answers questions and joins in
Acorns		the learning.
Year 1 Silver	Maths	Hunter is an enthusiastic mathematician who is always motivated to learn
Birch		new concepts.
Year 2 Willow	Reading	Marley is committed to reading regularly both at home and in school and he
		has just achieved 50 reads again!
Year 3 Holly	Reading	Mittziee has been working incredibly hard on her reading and is so proud of
		the great progress she has made – and rightly so!
Year 4	Maths	Sienna make great contributions in our maths lessons and is making very
Chestnut		pleasing progress.
Year 5 Elm	Maths	Annabella has such a positive attitude towards learning in her maths lessons
		and is making great progress.



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Year 6 Oak	Maths	Dexter worked so hard in his maths test this week.
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Friday 7 th June 2024		
Nursery	Reading	Bonnie-Rae loves books and tells us all about her reading at home.
Conkers		
Reception	Reading	Llando loves stories and is also working very hard to hear his sounds in our
Acorns		phonics lessons.
Year 1 Silver	Maths	Ruby loves her maths lessons and is making great progress.
Birch		
Year 2 Willow	Reading	Adchu is working so hard to develop his reading and is beginning to develop
		a deeper understanding of the texts he reads.
Year 3 Holly	Maths	This week Franky very quickly grasped the concept of acute and obtuse
		angles.
Year 4	Maths	Archie loves his maths lessons and is making such pleasing progress.
Chestnut		
Year 5 Elm	Maths	Dolcie is focused and motivated in all our maths lessons and is making very
		pleasing progress.
Year 6 Oak	Reading	Darcie is developing a very good understanding of vocabulary and as a result
		is becoming a fluent and skillful reader.

Friday 14 th June	e 2024	
Nursery	Reading	Arlo listens so carefully to our class stories and asks some great questions.
Conkers		
Reception		
Acorns		
Year 1 Silver	Reading	Riley is making very pleasing progress in his phonics group.
Birch		
Year 2 Willow	Reading	Connor has discovered the joy of reading for pleasure and always has a book
		in his hand.
Year 3 Holly	Maths	Adam-Lahsean is making such good progress in his maths lessons.
Year 4	Reading	Sienna is becoming a fluent reader and making great contributions in ur
Chestnut		guided reading lessons.
Year 5 Elm	Reading	Thomas is developing very pleasing fluency and expression when reading
		aloud.
Year 6 Oak	Reading	Amelia just loves books!



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Dates for your Diaries

Friday 28 th June 24	Reception Acorns Family Dinner Day: 12.00pm	
Friday 5 th July 24	Year 3 Holly Class visit to Poole's Cavern	
Tuesday 9 th July 24	Year 1 Silver Birch and Year 2 Willow Classes visit to Lytham St. Anne's	
Wednesday 10 th July 24	Reception Acorns 2024 transition afternoon: 2.00pm to 3.00pm	
Thursday 11 th July 24	Year 3 Holly Class take part in "Victorious Voices" choir concert.	
Tuesday 16 th July 24	Year 6 Production	
Tuesday 16 Tuly 24	2.00pm and 6.00pm	
Thursday 18 th July 24	Reception Acorns 2024 transition afternoon: 2.00pm to 3.00pm	
Tuesday 23 rd July	Schools close for Summer Holiday	
Wednesday 4 th September	School Opens for start of Autumn Term	
Monday 14 th – Wednesday	Voor C. Ook Class residential trin to M/hitchell Contro	
16 th October 24	Year 6 Oak Class residential trip to Whitehall Centre.	
Monday 25 th to Wednesday	Voor E Elm Class doutring to Whitahall Contro	
27 th November 24	Year 5 Elm Class day trips to Whitehall Centre	

Kindest Regards,

Deborah Meredith