



Dear Parents,

Thank you for coming and taking the trouble to make child care arrangements for the Parents' Evenings this week. I know it can be really difficult. Thank you too, to all the teaching staff for their time and commitment. The atmosphere on both evenings was very positive and the children were very excited that you were having the opportunity to look at all their books. It is a nice way to end the half-term.

The children in St. Bernadette's house enjoyed a celebration today - what a nice end to the half-term for them! Have a lovely week and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 20th February.

S. Rainford.

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

STARS OF THIS WEEK

Harriet Miller Class 4

Lucy Osborn Class 5

Marcus White Class 6

KITCHEN CORNER

Monday 20th February

Menu Week 2

WORKERS OF THIS WEEK

Class 4 Noah Mears & Oliver Woodford

Class 5 Filip Pop & Evie Terry

Class 6 Harry Everitt & Olivia Kerr

STARS OF WEEK 17TH JANUARY

Eugenie Dearmer Class 4

Emily Rooney Class 5

Freya Ives Class 6

P.E. STARS OF THE WEEK

Harriet Miller	Class 4
Ella Fagan	Class 5
Amelie Milin	Class 6

WORKERS OF THE WEEK 17TH JANUARY


Class 4 Martin Smith & William Stone

Class 5 Lexie Deering & Ivy Rose Tregidgo

Class 6 Zoe Brooks & Conall Doran

MULTISKILLS STAR


Harry Mears - Class 7



P.A. NEWS


Thorntons Easter Egg Fundraiser

We will be running the popular Thorntons Easter Egg Fundraiser again this year. More details and order forms will be available after half term.



BASKETBALL STARS


Ellie Dohoo - Class 8



KARATE STARS

Nadia Cilska - Class 7

Isaac Roache - Class 7



Attendance League Table Spring Term

Remember the class with the greatest attendance will be rewarded at the end of term.

Class	%
5	98.80
9	97.54
1 & 8	97.00
3	96.53
2	96.40
6	96.25
7	95.79
4	92.53

SCIENCE WEEK -

Monday 13th - Friday 17th March

Please see the attached letter regarding Science Week. Over half term, why not start thinking about what Invention your child might like to produce for the Competition. Remember to put the Science Fair date in your diary.


Thank you to Louise Broadbridge, one of our parent Governors who made the refreshments on Tuesday evening. It was appreciated by everyone.

Well Done to St. Clare's House for being this week's winner.

House	This Weeks Points	Accumulative Points
St. Bernadette	67	240
St. Clare	***69***	297
St. Francis	56	241
St. Martin	57	260

Skipping Challenge

Many thanks to all the parents who came and helped to count skips this week. The results will be published after half term.



Emergency Contact Details

Please make sure the school office have the correct emergency contact details (including any new mobile numbers, work numbers or email addresses). There have been numerous instances recently where the office have been unable to contact parents due to 'old' numbers that are no longer in use but are still on our files.

Late Arrivals

There were **11** late arrivals this week. Please remember that the doors open at 8.45a.m. every morning.

Thank you for sending in the Sainsbury Vouchers. The collection box is beginning to fill up, so keep them coming so we can purchase more equipment for the children.

YEAR 2

ENGLISH - The children have been writing their own report on our school. They have included information about the resources we have and activities that children can do at our school. During half term they might like to write their own report on a

topic of their choice, such as a place they have visited or how to care for a pet.

MATHS - Year 2 have been partitioning numbers into different combinations of tens and ones.

E.g. 27 = 2 tens and 7 ones or 1 ten and 17 ones



HOMEWORK

Thank you to all the parents who have taken on board our reminder that the children should be *reading* as well as answering the homework questions that are set each week in their yellow reading diary.*

The Times Table Challenge on Thursday 23rd February will be on the **10 times table**. For the 10 x table we learn from 0 x 10 up to 12 x 10 and 10 x 0 to 10 x 12.

YEAR 1

ENGLISH - We have learnt a poem about senses and a poem about the things we like. We have thought about describing words and used them to describe things that we can see, hear, feel, taste and touch.

MATHS - We have added one and 2 digit numbers using our 100 square.

R.E. - We have talked about special meals and who we celebrate them with.



COMMON EXCEPTION WORDS - This week's words were "the, were, to, says, of". We will be focussing on "today, said, be, me, once on the first week back. *Please see the whole list of common exception words attached.*

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - THURSDAY 20th April - Year 1 trip to South Weald Country Park. We will be asking for parent helpers. Letters to follow after half term.

FOUNDATION STAGE

PHONICS: This week we have recapped all the single sounds plus **sh, ch, th, ee, and or**. It would be helpful if you could practise each letter sound and name. Also practise putting the letters together to make and read simple words such as: **h-a-t, p-i-g, sh-i-p, ch-i-p** etc

WRITING CHALLENGE: Ask the children to cut a picture out of an old magazine and then see if they can write a few sentences about it.

e.g. What they can see, what is happening?

CHALLENGE CORNER: How many footsteps from
Your house to the bottom of your garden?
Your front door to your bedroom?
Your kitchen to your bathroom?



What happens to the number if you take bigger steps? Practise writing these numbers at home.

MATHLETICS: All children now have new challenges to complete. Enjoy!

DIARY DATES - February '17 to March '17

Date	Day	Time	Event	Class/Year	Details
20 Feb	Mon	Open at 8.45a.m.	Children Return to School	All Years	ALL YEARS
2 Mar	Thurs	3.30pm – 3.45pm	Book Look	All Years	Please make an appointment
3 Mar	Fri	9.00am	'Drop Off, Drop In'	All Years	All Parents/Grandparents welcome
6 Mar	Mon	During School Day	School Photographer	All Years	ALL YEARS
8 Mar	Wed	2.55p.m	Class 4 Assembly	Class 4	Parents of Class 4
15 Mar	Wed	2.55p.m	Class 5 Assembly	Class 5	Parents of Class 5
22 Mar	Wed	2.55p.m	Class 6 Assembly	Class 6	Parents Of Class 6
28 Mar	Tue	10.30a.m (prompt)	Easter Assembly - Palm Sunday	Classes 1,2 & 3	Parents of Classes 1,2 & 3. Children DO NOT finish early.
29 Mar	Wed	10.30a.m (prompt)	Easter Assembly - Maundy Thursday	Classes 4 & 9	Parents of Classes 4 & 9. Children DO NOT finish early.
30 Mar	Thurs	10.30a.m (prompt)	Easter Assembly - Good Friday	Classes 5 & 8	Parents of Classes 5 & 8. Children DO NOT finish early.
31 Mar	Fri	9.30am (prompt) Note Time Change	Easter Assembly - Easter Sunday	Classes 6 & 7	Parents of Classes 6 & 7. Children DO NOT finish early.
31 Mar	Fri	10.45a.m	Easter Bonnet Parade & Easter Raffle	All Years	Children will need an Easter Bonnet from home. For Children ONLY. SCHOOL CLOSSES AT NORMAL TIME 3.20p.m

EASTER HOLIDAYS - Mon 3rd Apr to Tue 18th Apr (inclusive)