



Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

Attached with this should be a list of dates for terms 1&2 (until Christmas) – other events may be brought in, but we will give you as much warning as possible if they do.

Just so you know....

Parents' Evenings – We will be holding a settling in Parents' Evening in week four (w/c 19.09.2022). This will be formed by a whole school session, sandwiched by Key Stage 2 class drop-ins so that those with more than one class to visit have the opportunity so to do.

Key Stage 1 & EYFS, are having their parents/carers' phonics sessions during week 5 (w/c 26.09.2022).

Information Sessions – throughout the year, we are aiming to hold sessions to share &/or garner information. It is likely that there will be a choice of times for each event. We will be holding sessions about E-Safety, the curriculum, individual subjects and so on.

Assemblies – This year we are reintroducing our invitation to you to attend Celebration Assemblies on Friday afternoons. We have also been looking at the Certificates, and the WOW Certificates will be changing format and use too – more information to follow.

Green Cards will be our primary form of reward, each representing a team point, with tokens being retained for academic work – these too will count towards the house team point total. Whilst they count for the House Team, whichever class wins the Green Card count each week will have a non-uniform day the following Friday (which may change to a different day on specific weeks if there is something else arranged for that day).

Congratulations – to Miss Gray, who is expecting a baby. Miss Gray hasn't yet decided when to start her maternity leave, but we will make sure that we let you know as soon as we can. We are in the process of finding the right person to make sure the provision stays at the present excellent level; there will be a handover to make sure the children have a relationship with their new teacher and to ensure their work is accurately targeted.

Pleas from Mrs Bowers

In Oak Class we use many resources which are recycled. Please can we have the following: buttons, sequins, ribbons, washed lids, washed bottle tops (plastic), images off of old greetings/birthday cards (written on flap cut off).

We also welcome items to be upcycled or re-purposed:

tyres, artificial plants, artificial flowers, wicker containers/pots/baskets, wooden boxes or crates, metal utensils, metal pots and pans, metal sieves/funnels/scales/flower pots.

Clothing:

PE tops, PE Shorts, matching socks, pants and boxers (All Year R - Year 4 sized please)

Your time:

The outside areas for continuous provision get grubby, dusty, covered in leaves and spiders' webs and also has some gardening areas to help maintain. Would you or someone you know be willing

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to give some of your/their time on a regular basis to help clean, sweep, wipe, maintain, garden the outside area of Oak Class. This does not need to be done in school hours (although it can be) and can be done individually or by a working group who rotate. We would be looking for volunteers once or twice a short term.

For more information on any of the above pleas, please do come and chat to Mrs Bowers.

Accompanying this newsletter is some information regarding the Coombe Bissett & Homington Village Show which is due to take place on Saturday 17th September.

Kind regards

Mr L Coles – Acting Headteacher