



Friday 26th May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I must begin by apologising for earlier this week regarding the Parents' Forum. I was unwell and hope that not too many parents/carers began to think that they had lost the plot! It was my fault. I will reschedule the session for a date early in next term.

Another half term seems to have flown by. This afternoon, the excitement in Fir class drew my attention. The children have been reading 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes and were creating their own Iron Man in small groups. Their designs and ideas for the Iron Man models looked amazing.

Attendance in school is improving, as evidenced by the number of certificates we gave out in our celebration worship today. I would like to express my thanks for your help with this. There are a good number of pupils who have improved their attendance. Your child /children will maximise their potential as a learner if they are here to engage with the learning opportunities we provide them with.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole school team- our admin team, teaching assistants and teachers for their efforts this term. I am encouraged by the commitment and passion of the team for the children in our school. I know that every child matters to us all.

I wish you and the children a wonderful half term and we look forward to welcoming the children back in school on Monday 5th June. I hope the sunshine remains for us all too.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Sandra Miller
Interim Headteacher

This week in Elm Class..... Elm Class along with the Oak Year 1s, had a fabulous Art Day! In the morning we were focusing on Art using natural materials. We learned about the artist Andy Goldsworthy who uses all kinds of materials from nature in his art, many of which are very temporary as they get washed away by the weather. We then made our own pieces of art using flowers and leaves. We loved arranging the petals into patterns and hammering them to release the natural dyes. We also enjoyed making leaf prints. After this we made some mobiles from sticks, pine cones, flowers, etc, which was great practise for tying knots. You might be able to spot them hanging on the fence at the end of the playground. In the afternoon we learnt how to do weaving, using a variety of different materials.



Attendance Certificates for Term 5

The following pupils have been awarded attendance certificates this term:

Oak Class – Tommy-Lee, Isabella, Frankie, Isabelle, Ralph, Harriet R, Anyah, Mia, Florence, Harret Y, Avery

Elm Class – Jessica, Charlie, Molly, Solomon, Sophie, Matilda, Amelie, Lilia, Oliver, Rufus, George, Freya

Fir Class – Miles, Emilia, Toby, Alfie, Charlie, Freddie, Tom, Daniel, Harry, Logan, Thea, Yehor, Hayden, Elliot, Eadric, Maisie, Joseph, Leo, Lawson, Felix

Ash Class – Sophia, Eliza, Florence, Robin, Poppy, Teddy, Lleyton, Ted, Alfie, Jude, Clara, Barney, Mattias, Joey, Rozalla, Jonty

There were also two certificates issued retrospectively for Term 4 for Mya and Rose in Fir Class.

Inset Dates 2023-2024

Inset Dates for the next academic year have been confirmed as follows:

Friday 1st September 2023
Monday 4th September 2023
Friday 9th February 2024
Friday 28th June 2024
Monday 1st July 2024

Now that we are beginning to see signs of Summer, please can we remind parents that each child should come in to school with a hat (labelled please) and suncream applied before drop off in the morning. Thank you

Key Dates – Term 6

Week Commencing 29th May Half Term
Monday 5th June – 1st day of Term 6
Monday 19th June – Class photos
Saturday 24th June – School & Village Fete
Monday 26th June – Year 6 to Chalke Valley History Festival
Monday 26th June – Confirmation Service at St Michaels & All Saints Church, Coombe Bissett 2pm
Wednesday 28th June – Sports Day
Friday 30th June – Inset Day – School Closed to pupils
Monday 3rd July – Inset Day – School Closed to pupils
Tuesday 4th July – Ash Class trip to London
Wednesday 5th July – Wiltshire Schools Transition Day
Thursday 6th July – Year 6 Cathedral virtual service
Friday 7th July – Burgate School Transition day
Friday 7th July – Elm Class trip to Langford Lakes
Wednesday 12th July – Reserve Sports Day
****NEW DATE** Wednesday 12th July – Parent Teacher Meetings after school
****NEW DATE** Thursday 13th July – Parent Teacher Meetings after school
Wednesday 19th July – KS2 Production 2pm & 6pm performances
Tuesday 25th July – Last Day of Term 6

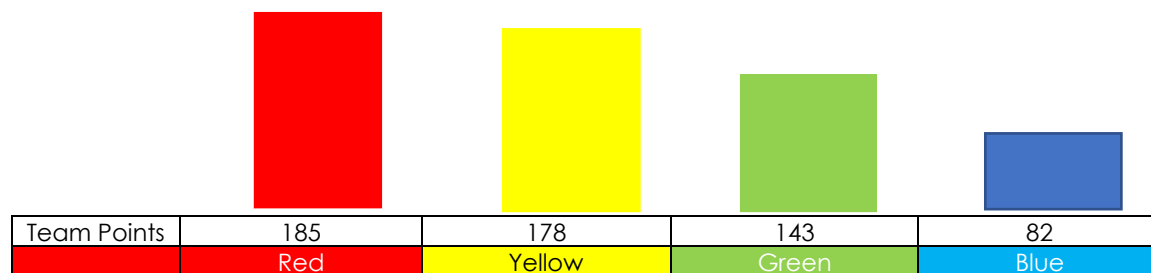
Rewards this Week

A Reminder about Team Points & Green Cards

- **Team Points** are awarded for a pupil's school work
- **Green Cards** are based on school values (this term's is commitment)

Team Point Totals for this week & last week:


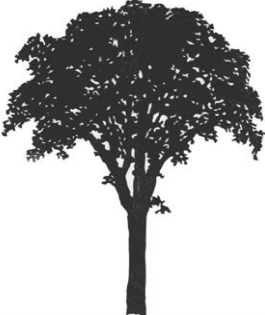


Well Done to everyone awarded a Team Point or Green Card, with particular Congratulations to Red House the winners this week with an amazing 185 points.



Team Point Running Totals for the Year so far

4992	4809	4762	4693
Red	Yellow	Green	Blue

Green Cards by Class

			
32	29	69	18
Oak	Elm	Fir	Ash

There will be a non-uniform day for FIR Class on Friday 9th June 2023. Please ensure children wear clothes and shoes appropriate for the school day.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Attendance figures for each class for last week (w/c 15th May 2023):

Ash class – 95.8%

Fir class – 93.0%

Elm class – 94.5%

Oak class – 97.5%

Congratulations to Oak Class who achieved the best attendance last week.

VACANCY

Butlers Cleaning Services

Seeking a Cleaner at Coombe Bissett Primary School

Five afternoons per week, 3 hours per day Term Time only

plus 1 – 3 days Deep Clean per year

If you are interested or you know someone who may be

Please contact:

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COVID-19 Vaccination Service

COVID VACCINATION CLINICS

The offer of a first or second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine for those at lower risk of severe illness will end on 30 June 2023.

Book your child a space before it is too late at one of the vaccination clinics at locations throughout Wiltshire.

Clinics are appointment only and for all those eligible who have not yet received either the COVID-19 1st or 2nd dose.

Find out further information on eligibility and book appointments by visiting the NHS [National Booking Service](#), scan the QR code or call 119.

(DO NOT CONTACT THE VENUES TO BOOK)

Please note: Keep checking the National Booking service as future clinics dates will be added.

