Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a busy penultimate week of term with so much going on in and out of school. Year 1 went on their visit to Brooklands earlier in the week and it was a perfect day for it. The children had a great time learning all about transport and enjoyed their workshop where they made cars out of buttons and pegs. All of the adults accompanying the children commented on the children's excellent behaviour and remembering our three rules; ready, respectful and safe. A huge thank you to all of the parents and staff who accompanied year 1 and to Mrs Attwood for sorting out the last-minute coaches!

On Tuesday morning Mrs Moody was joined by a group of helpful Dads for this year's MAGs market. The children thoroughly enjoyed their crafty morning and we hope you are looked after this Mothering Sunday.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Spring term Parent's evenings. We hope you enjoyed having the opportunity to hear about how your children are progressing and looking at their books.

Yesterday Leopard class enjoyed sharing their learning in their class assembly. They impressed us with their wealth of historical and geographical knowledge, fantastic DT work and impressive glockenspiel playing! Thank you to all of the Leopard class staff and to the parents who joined us.

Each half term we are treated to a poetry recital from each year group and today was the turn of Ladybirds, Seahorses and Tigers. They did a great job and hopefully will remember the poems in years to come.

Every term, Oatlands children are invited to attend a Mini Olympics event for Year 2 children at Cleves School as part of the WWHSP (Weybridge, Walton and Hersham Sports Partnership). The event gives the children the chance to part in a range of fun activities against Year 2 children from other local schools. We are able to take one class each time and this afternoon we took Tiger Class. We look forward to hearing how they got on and hope they enjoyed the experience of competing against other local schools.

We hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Tanya Mooney

Key Dates Next Few Weeks

Tuesday 1st April Ladybird forest school
Wednesday 2nd Butterfly forest school
Thursday 3rd Bumblebees forest school

Friday 4th 9:15-10:00 Reception parents- Easter assembly

Friday 4th 1.00pm- end of term- SCHOOL CLOSES- no Oscar Club

Tuesday 22nd April 8:50 Back to School

Thursday 24th April Year 2 to Woking Mosque

Leave of Absence Requests & Penalty Notices

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

- 1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to your child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
- 2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to your child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
- 3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to your child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

Lost Property

We have lots of lost property. Any items of uniform left on Friday, which are in good condition, will be given to the PTA to sell at a future 2^{nd} hand uniform sale.

Easter Bake Sale - 4th April

Year Two will be hosting this term's bake sale, straight after school at 1pm on Friday 4th April. Cakes will be on sale to all year groups for minimum £1 donation per cake. Cash preferred.

Could Year Two parents please bring any home-baked or shop-bought cakes, biscuits and other treats to school at morning drop-off? These will be collected outside Y2 classrooms. No nuts and nothing that needs to be refrigerated please. Thank you

Safeguarding Notice

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing in the school or community, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL). DSL-Tanya Mooney, Head Teacher. DSL-Phil Copsey, Deputy Head Teacher or DSL-Kelly Grindle, Oscar Manager and Nurture Lead.

Updates to the Website

Changes to Governor information HERE