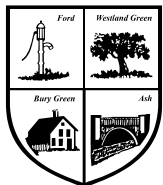


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'Believing and Achieving'

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

Congratulations to our Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics Team who came a highly creditable 2<sup>nd</sup> in their heat yesterday at Birchwood. Not only did they perform really well, they looked fantastic in our new bespoke Sports Kit supplied by local schools outfitter, Foster Schoolwear. We have considered adopting the lovely warm and serviceable outdoor jackets as part of our school uniform, if parents think this is something they would be interested in. More news on this to follow.

## Parents Mindfulness Session

Hopefully, we get a good response to our free Mindfulness training next **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 7pm**. We are gradually introducing a range of Mindfulness strategies to the children and it is a proven way of supporting anxiety, not just for children either!

## Parents E-safety Presentation

I hope parents are able to stay on after drop off on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February** for a Parents Presentation on 'E-safety at home' and an opportunity to share good practice. Refreshments will be available, so please do come along.

## FRIENDS Quiz Night

The annual FRIENDS Quiz Night is on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March** in the Village Hall. If anyone feels that they may be able to help in any way, either setting up earlier or on the night, please contact either Sam Day or Emma Ranade.

## Parents Information Evening - Maths

Following on from our successful Parents Information Evening last term, we are holding another one this term but this time for supporting Maths at home. We will be looking at using Manipulatives (maths tools) across all years and the Singapore Bar Method, which is a highly effective strategy and process applicable to all. The date is **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm**, so please save the date.

## Class Attendance Award

I am really pleased to report that our visit from the Attendance Improvement Officer on Tuesday was **very positive** and she was really pleased with everyone's efforts. Thank you all for your support in this.

This week's top attenders are in Maple Class with 99.1%. The average attendance across the school was 97.4%, keeping up the good work!

## Special Table

This week's Special Table Guests are **Jamie H, Ilana and Olivia**, Congratulations!

## Going for Gold

This week's most Triplegold goes to **Maple Class** with ten, well done! A fantastic achievement for **Emily D** and **Stanley S** as they achieved Supergold status- no mean feat!

## Friday Film Club

Next week's Friday Film is '**Angry Birds- the movie**' with a running time of 90 minutes, so collection is at 4.50pm, please. There **will not** be a Friday Film Club on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February, as it is the Effort Awards Assembly.

## Y6 Music Festival at Rhodes

Tickets are now on sale for the Y6 Music Festival at Rhodes on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March from the **Box Office** at Rhodes on 01279 651746, price £10.

## Y6 Maths Club

Due to both Mrs Wells , Mrs Tweedale and myself on training, there will be **NO Maths Club on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January**. Sorry for any inconvenience.

### Winter Clothes and Welly Wednesdays

I am pleased to see most of the children wrapped up warm for this chilly weather, however, if possible, please could children bring a pair of school shoes to change in to during the day rather than wearing **boots** all day, thank you. May I also remind parents that girls may wear **black trousers**, which may be warmer than skirts this time of year.

'**Welly Wednesday**' is back on, where children bring their wellies to school, in a sturdy plastic carrier bag, so that they can play games on the field, thus giving a bit more room on the playground. We also have some different games that the children can play with on the field, as they have a bit more space.

### Big Garden Birdwatch

This weekend, 28-30<sup>th</sup>, is the **RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch**, so all you ornithologists out there, do log on to [ww2.rspb.org.uk/Birdwatch](http://ww2.rspb.org.uk/Birdwatch) to get involved.

### Sainsbury's Active Vouchers

It's that time of year again, so please do **collect** as many as you can for us, thank you.

### Communication Concern

From a recent concern, please may I remind all parents that we pride ourselves in our communication with parents but should there ever be any issues, please do make contact with either the **classteacher first or myself** and then we can work things through. **Communication is a two way process** and, with the best will in the world, things can happen!

### Coming Up Next

#### Mon 30<sup>th</sup> : **NO MATHS CLUB**

Mrs Tweedale on Maths training  
Mrs Courtman-Stock/Mrs Wells on Y2 Moderation - pm  
Mrs Stockley at Catalyst Heads From at Windhill - pm  
Effective Governor Training in school - 7-9pm

Tues 31<sup>st</sup> : History off the Page - Vikings in Lime Class all day  
Mrs Stockley at DSPL3 Executive Meeting

Wed 1<sup>st</sup>: Mrs Stockley on Child Protection Update training - pm.

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> : STAGE Network Staff meeting - 4pm  
Parents Mindfulness Evening 7pm

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> : STAGE Network Enrichment Morning - Y3/4 Philosophy 4 Children (P4C)

#### **Week 2 Design Technology Week**

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> : Helen Smith, Thorley SpLD Base visit

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> : Safer Internet Day - Theme Day  
Parents Esafety Presentation 9.15-9.45am  
HfL Safeguarding Audit

Wed 8<sup>th</sup> : Mrs Courtman-Stock & Mrs Wood on Attachment Training  
Mrs Stockley & Mrs Tweedale on Safeguarding Training pm  
Staff Training on 'Total Teaching' at Thorley Hill 4-6pm

Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> : Y3/4 Gymnastics Competition am  
Ware F.C Football Festival at Wodson Park pm.

Fri 10<sup>th</sup> : Effort Assembly - 2.15pm. Year 5/6 will be performing some songs from their O2 show

### HALF TERM

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

*E Stockley*

Mrs E Stockley

