

# news

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### Term 3 2018-2019 - Week 2

Dear Parents and Carers.

Happy New Year and welcome to term 3! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break.

The children have settled back into school and have started their new topics. You will have received the topic overviews in your child's book bag and they are on the school website. Jungle have 'Shackleton', High Peaks have 'Frozen Kingdom' and Key Stage I have 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets'.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Congratulations to Jungle and High Peaks who share Attendance Bear for the next week. Our school target this year is 96.5%.

	Underwater	Bugs	High Peaks	Jungle
Week I	97.6%	85%	82.8%	<mark>98.2%</mark>
Week 2	95.5%	97.7%	<mark>98.8%</mark>	98.2%

### **REWARDS**

Congratulations for starting the new school year with their next Pupil Point certificate go to...

200 points - High Peaks- Jemma and Rupert

600 points - High Peaks - Sam

1000 points- Jungle- Thomas and Freddy

1300 points- Jungle- Genevieve

### **STAFFING**

We welcome Mrs Lynnn Filtness to Laughton who will be working with Mrs Brown in introducing the Thrive programme across the federation. Mrs Filtness has worked as SEN TA at Firle for 18 years and brings expertise in this field too. We would also like to welcome our new Underwater TA, Mrs Orme, to our team. She comes to us from a similar sized local primary school and has experience working across all year groups.



### **STEM WEEK**

Next week we will be having our STEM week and you will have received a separate letter about this, which has some dates on it. Next  $Friday 18^{th}$ 

**January** the children can come to school dressed as the scientist, technologist, engineer or mathematician they have researched. You are also welcome to come into classes from 2:30p.m where they can share their learning from the week with you.

### **INFANT TRIP**

The infants are going to Bodiam Castle on 23<sup>rd</sup> January; please can you make sure you have returned the permission and monies by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January. Thank you.

## Diary January

14th-18th - STEM week

22<sup>nd</sup> - KSI and EYFS parent workshop on reading

### **February**

12th - Parent Consultations

13<sup>th</sup> - Parent Consultations RE Day

15th - End of term 3

25th - Term 4 starts

#### March

5th - LSA Pancake breakfast

15th - Red Nose Day

21st - Year 5 Big Bang STEM workshop at KAR

### **A**pril

3rd - RE day

5<sup>th</sup> - LSA Easter Mayhem End of term 4



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#### **MATHS POP IN SESSIONS**

We will be having a pop in session for you to see how maths mastery is taught in your child/rens class at the following times. Further information on mastery can be found at <a href="https://www.ncetm.org.uk/">https://www.ncetm.org.uk/</a>

Bugs- Monday 21st January 9:00-9:30

Jungle - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 9:00-9:30

High Peaks - Wednesday 23rd January 9:00-9:30

Underwater- Thursday 24th January 9:00-9:30

### PROCEDURES FOR BAD WEATHER



Please can you make sure that your children have a coat for school every day as we go out in all weathers. They are also able to wear tracksuit bottoms for PE in the winter months.

If we have severe weather conditions which affect the school opening we will do the following

- 1. Put a message on the front page of our website
- 2. Post on the East Sussex website under 'Schools Closed' section
- 3. Text out through the e schools app, so please make sure you have downloaded this onto your phone. Mrs Clark has details of this if you want to contact her through the school

office.

#### **ECO UPDATE**

2019 is upon us and the new year always brings resolutions. How many of you made any resolutions to help our environment? Remember just doing little things helps not only save the environment but also save money! Just switching a single light bulb to LED can save up to 90% of both consumption and cost.

Unfortunately as I am on a health and safety course every Wednesday this month there are no Eco meetings however the Eco Warriors will still be working hard and I will endeavour to see them in school time instead. One of the priorities for the new year will be to get the outdoor areas looking good and ready for the spring bulbs to come up.

Eco Ernie had a great time in Bugs class and enjoyed spending the last week of Christmas with them. This time he is awarded to High Peaks... well done!!!

Mr Herdman

### **SAFEGUARDING**

We have 2 safeguarding governors in our federation they are Mrs Gemma Collins and Mrs Kathleen Swaine.

### **NEW OVERALLS FOR INFANTS**

Esta is kindly modelling our new overalls for our mud kitchen, welly walks and outdoor learning.

We have invested in these for our infants so that they can do some more messy exploring in their curriculum.





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### **LSA MEETING**

The LSA are holding their next meeting at The Roebuck on Monday 14th January. The LSA are a very important part of the school community and together raise a lot of money to provide fantastic resources and opportunities for the children at Laughton School. If you would like to get involved with, or have any great fundraising ideas for the school, please come along and join them from 7.30pm.

### TREE PLANTING

Last November the Eco Group planted two trees alongside the car park behind the school, during the Tree Council's Tree Planting Week. These trees are replacements for the two planted in 2012 to commemorate the Queen's Jubilee and the London Olympics. The original trees did not survive.

The new trees have been funded by Jean Mary Crozier through her lumble Sale Fund and by the School Association. Thank you to both these generous donors.



### **DRIVER YOUTH TRUST**

Julie Stevens from the Driver Youth Trust is in for the day on 22nd January and will be holding a parent workshop for reluctant readers in EYFS and KSI; further details will follow. If anyone wishes to come in and chat to her about anything she is available all day, please let Mrs Brown know so she can book in a convenient time.

Mrs Rachel West and Mrs Vicki Brown

**DON'T FORGET** PARENT AND EARLY YEARS YOGA **SESSIONS** 

Tuesday mornings from 9am-10am **SPREAD THE WORD** 

