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### Term 4 2023- Week 5

Dear Parents and Carers,

This will be the last newsletter of this term and it has certainly flown by! We hope that you enjoyed your Mother's Day gifts last weekend. The children certainly loved buying them and would like to give a big thank you to our Friends of Laughton for providing this opportunity. We hope that you all have a lovely Easter break when it gets here.

We would like to apologise for some last-minute communication hiccups this term as we have had some staff absence and on occasions, have thought we have sent things out when they have not. We will try to give more notice on events in the future as appreciate it is difficult to juggle work commitments etc. Thank you for your understanding.



### ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Bugs Class** who had an attendance of **99.5%** last week and to **High Peaks** who had an attendance of **97.7%** this week.

### REWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have received their next Pupil Point certificates.

200 Point	<b>Underwater:</b> Ursula, Merryn, Grace, Harriet
300 Points	<b>Jungle:</b> Leila
400 Points	<b>High Peaks:</b> Rafe
700 Points	<b>High Peaks:</b> Oscar
800 Points	<b>High Peaks:</b> Grace
1000 Points	<b>Bugs:</b> Henry
1100 Points	<b>High Peaks:</b> Daisy, Ida

### STEM WEEK

Last week the children enjoyed a range of exciting and engaging STEM learning, there was a real buzz of activity in classrooms. The children are all very keen to share their learning with you and we are therefore inviting parents and carers of Underwater, Bugs and Jungle, into our learning share today at 2.30pm. This will be held in the individual classes.

Unfortunately, due to Mrs Waters being unwell, we have had to cancel the High Peaks learning share. We will reschedule this on Mrs Waters returns.

### FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER DROP IN SESSIONS

Fortnightly, from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March, Richard Andrews our Family Support Practitioner, will be in school from 9am until 12 o'clock. If you would like an appointment to meet with him, please contact the school office.

### Diary

#### March 2023

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	STEM Learning Share, 2.30pm
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 SATs Booster Session
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Dance/Gym club free taster
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	School Library Sessions
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Working with Others Day
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Forest School
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Swimming
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	LSA Home clothes Day
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of term 4

#### April 2023

Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Children return to school – Term 5
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Swimming
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	LSA Bag2School Collection
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Swimming

#### May 2023

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Swimming
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term 5

#### INSET Days

21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

## **BUGS AND UNDERWATER CLASS WELLY WALKS**

A little reminder, there is no welly walk on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March**.

## **UNDERWATER CLASS LEARNING SHARE**

All Underwater Class parents and carers are invited to share our learning. Please note that this term's event will be a picnic in the woods, from **1.15pm** on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**.

## **GOVERNOR VACANCY**

Are you interested in the strategic direction of our school? We have 2 vacancies on our Oak Tree Federation governing body and are looking for people who have an interest in the current climate of education to help us plan for our future. If you are interested in finding out more then please contact either Mrs West or our Chair of Governors, Debra Vice-Holt via the school office. Thank you.

## **LILLEY LOVETT**

On Tuesday, the children enjoyed three sessions with Ruth Lilley and Claudette Lovett from Lilley Lovett. They have a theatre school called Lilley Lovett. which operates from our village hall on Mondays and Tuesdays for children of primary school age.

Classes for Reception and years one and two are shorter and are on a Monday or Tuesday from 3:15 pm, classes for key stage two (years 3-6) are on Mondays at 4:30 pm and run for two hours until 6:30 pm.

The theatre group are about to embark on a production of Oliver! This production will take place in October half term and all key stage two children who join Lilley Lovett theatre group will be in the production if they want to join it.

If you would like any further information, please contact [hello@lilley-lovett.org](mailto:hello@lilley-lovett.org) and Ruth or Claude will come back to you. You can also see information on our website [www.lilley-lovett.org](http://www.lilley-lovett.org).

## **SPRING/SUMMER LUNCH MENU**

After the Easter break, we will be using the new Spring/Summer Menu, please see the attached. If you would like a hard copy please ask Mrs Geer. Copies are also available on our school website.

We would also like to take the opportunity to remind you that Parent Pay accounts must be cleared weekly. If there is an outstanding balance on your ParentPay account, please provide a pack lunch until the account is clear. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.



## **RED NOSE DAY**

A huge thank you to everybody for supporting our fundraising for Red Nose Day. Children and staff looked amazing after arriving to school dressed in red for a £1 donation.

We also had some creative arts competitions, congratulations to the following children

**Design a Red Nose:** Samuel P, Ida **Write a Short story about 'A Red Nose Adventure':** Florence B, Holly

Thank you for your generosity, we raised an incredible **£124.15** for Red Nose Day.

## **WHERE WOULD YOU GO FOR £5?**

We would like to pass on this information that you may be eligible for support with your energy bills. Please see link below to find out more

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKESCC/bulletins/34edf65>

## **HOLIDAY FOOD AND FUN IS BACK FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAYS!**

Otherwise known as the HAF programme, this initiative is funded by the Department for Education and is now in its third year. It is all set to provide more enriching activities this Easter, free of charge for children who receive benefit related free school meals. The programme ensures that children can have fun, eat healthily, and socialise with their peers during the school holidays of Easter, summer and winter.

There are activities for young people in Reception to Year 11 inclusive. A meal is provided at each session for everyone who attends. To see what's on offer and to book a session, parents should click on the 'List of holiday clubs' button on our [Holiday food and fun webpage](#).

## **HOLIDAY CLUBS**

Please see the attached flyer from Premier Sport regarding their upcoming Easter holiday clubs, with details on how to book a place.

## **BONJOUR! HALLO! ¡HOLA!**

All Abroad! Bus will be running another series of holiday clubs during the forthcoming Easter holidays, from 11th-14th April 2023, at the lovely village hall in Glynde (with direct trains to Lewes, Falmer, Brighton / Berwick, Polegate and Eastbourne). For the sixth time, we are proud to be part of the HAF programme, which enables us to run the clubs and offer a number of free places to children eligible for benefits-related free school meals and who meet other criteria such as SEND.

Our clubs offer children and young people the opportunity to 'travel' each day to a different country, where we find out about different customs and traditions in spring and around Easter, learn some words and phrases in the local language, cook up and feast on typical recipes from the area, as well as enjoying crafts, games, music, challenges and other fun inspired by our 'host country'!

## **FRIENDS OF LAUGHTON NEWS**

A little reminder that next Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March is home clothes day in return for a £1 donation to the LSA.

We also have a date for our next Bags2School collection which will be on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April**, so if you are having a sort out over the Easter Holidays, please do bear this in mind:

*Bags2School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit).*

*We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE: Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories. (No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)*



Kind regards

Mrs Rachel West and Mrs Vicki Brown