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Term 3 2021 Week 5

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is the last newsletter this term, which seems to have flown by! The children have completed some lovely topic work and learnt lots about pirates, Vikings and Ancient Greece; we have seen some fabulous writing in character. You will get to see this when you come in at parents/carers evening next week, so please make sure that you have booked your appointment.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Underwater for their attendance of **97.2%** last week and again to Underwater who had the highest attendance this week.

REWARDS

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

200 Points	Underwater: George M, Florrie, Rose, Samuel P, Jasper, Bea, Dom, Ellie, Walter, Nate
500 Points	Underwater: Hector
600 Points	Underwater: Martha
700 Points	High Peaks: Mason, Flo
900 Points	Jungle: Hannah, Isabella High Peaks: Nancy, Mya
1000 Points	High Peaks: Tom
1100 Points	Jungle: Bea
1600 Points	Jungle: Alice H

SCHOOL ADVISOR VISIT

On Wednesday this week we had our School Adviser, Mrs Wood, in for the day to carry out a monitoring visit. Her focus was on maths and she enjoyed observing lessons, talking to the children and staff as well as looking through books. She felt the school was making good progress and will report this back to governors.

START OF SCHOOL DAY

Please can you make sure that your child/ren are in the playground before school so that they come in with their class. Some children have an alternative arrangement for starting the school day and this can be made more difficult if there are people coming in late through the front door. Thank you.

THRIVE PARENT FORUM AND PRESENTATION

There will be a Parent Thrive Forum and presentation on Thursday 3rd March at 2pm. This will be held in the school hall and all parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Diary

February

7 th	Infant Pirate topic day
8 th	Yr 5 Swimming
8 th	LSA meeting, 2pm
8 th	Parents consultations
9 th	YR 5 Forest School
9 th	Yr 3&4 Viking topic day
9 th	Underwater learning share 2:30pm
10 th	Parents consultations
11 th	Last day of term
11 th	LSA – Home clothes day
11 th	LSA – Movie night
21 st	Children return to school
22 nd	School Library
22 nd	Yr 5 Swimming
24 th	Reading Army meeting 2pm

March

1 st	Yr 5 Swimming
3 rd	Thrive Parent Forum
8 th	Yr 5 Swimming
15 th	Yr 5 Swimming
18 th	Red Nose Day
22 nd	Yr 5 Swimming

April

1 st	Last day of term
19 th	Children return to school



READING ARMY

Thank you to those who have got in touch with us to help with our school Reading Army. You will have received an email from us this week inviting you to a meeting. If anybody else would like to volunteer, you are welcome to attend our meeting on Thursday 24th February at 2pm. This will be held at school.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

A little reminder that our parent's consultation evenings will take place next Tuesday and Thursday. The online booking window for our parent consultations will close on Monday at 5pm, please make sure you book your slot by then. You will need to use your parent e-School login (not your child's) to access this. If you have any problems, please contact the office. Thank you.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

Apologies for the delay in getting our school library up and running. This will now start after the February half term. Please could we ask that you return any library books you have at home before the end of term. There is a box for returned books in the library. Thank you.

UNDERWATER CLASS LEARNING SHARE

Underwater parents, please join us in Underwater Class from 2.20pm on Wednesday 9th February, to look through your child's books and share their learning. You will enter via the gate next to Underwater class and be able to access the classroom and outdoor area.

INFANT TOPIC DAY

Bugs and Underwater Classes will be celebrating Pirate Day on Monday 7th February. Children are invited to come to school dressed as pirates. This can be a simple home-made outfit, or just home clothes if preferred (no weapons please). The day will consist of a carousel of pirate themed activities in the morning, with children from both classes participating in their PE groups. After lunch the children will return to their classes and continue with cross-curricular topic learning.

LAND AHoy!

In Underwater Class we have been learning about tropical islands and wondering what animals a pirate might find there. We considered the features of a tropical island before painting our pictures; we then found out about mammals, reptiles, fish and birds before carefully drawing our chosen tropical animal to add to the picture.



LAUGHTON SCHOOL'S 150TH YEAR CELEBRATIONS

This year our amazing school turns 150 years old and we would like to mark the occasion in a special way. The School Council are working with the classes to come up with some ideas and we look forward to sharing these with you in due course.

YEAR 3 & 4 VIKING DAY

As part of our 'Traders and Raiders' topic this term, we have planned a Viking topic day for the Year 3 and 4 children of Oak Tree Federation which will be run by 'The Outdoors Project'. This will be on Wednesday 9th Feb and letters were sent home last week. If you haven't done so already, please can you return your permission forms to the office by Monday.

JUNGLE CLASS TOPIC DAY

Our topic this term is The Ancient Greeks and we have been studying aspects of Ancient Greek life in many of our lessons. Today, as part of this topic, we held an Ancient Greek Topic day for year 5 and 6. The children took part in a number of activities that helped deepen their understanding of the lifestyle of the Ancient Greeks. The children were invited to dress up in traditional Ancient Greek dress, and took part in some food tasting.



HOCKEY

Well done to Hannah who plays for Lewes under 10 girls. Her team took on Burgess Hill in the Sussex final of the Ron Easton tournament. Lewes represented East Sussex and Burgess Hill represented West Sussex. Hannah was the captain for the very first time. Lewes won 9-0!



HOLIDAY CLUB

Please see the attached flyer regarding holiday clubs from Albion in the Community.



CHELSEA FC FOUNDATION

Chelsea FC Foundation are holding an Under 8 Taster session, please see the below details:

[BOOK ONLINE HERE](#)

INVITE CODE IS: TASTER

An opportunity to join Sussex's Player Development Programme weekly training programme, fun sessions designed to develop children with their movement, fundamentals and technical ability.

Tuesday 8th February

17:30pm Registration

17.45pm Start

19:00pm Finish

At Kings Academy Ringmer, Lewes Rd, Ringmer, Lewes BN8 5RB

3G surface

Players to wear any training kit they wish too, with clothing being correct for the right weather and plenty of fluids for the session.

Any questions please don't hesitate to contact me via email or on 07525810776

Thank you,

Sussex Football Team

Chelsea FC Foundation

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY INFORMATION WEBSITE LAUNCHED

A NEW Local Offer website has been launched which provides a comprehensive range of information and resources aimed at supporting children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). The East Sussex Local Offer website has been developed to bring together useful information about SEND support and the services available across the county in one, easily accessible location. East Sussex County Council has designed the site in collaboration with parents, carers and professionals. The site can be accessed at <https://isend.eastsussex.gov.uk/>.

The new website details the range of services and support available for children and young people from the ages 0 to 25 with special educational needs or disabilities in East Sussex, and their families and carers. Councillor Bob Standley, lead member for education and inclusion, special educational needs and disability, said: "I am delighted we have launched our new Local Offer website, which will help families make informed decisions for the children and young people in their care. "The new website provides all those who support children and young people with SEND with a 'one-stop shop' where they can easily find welcoming and accessible information about the East Sussex Local Offer in one place, and find out more about the SEND services and support available locally."

FRIENDS OF LAUGHTON SCHOOL NEWS

We are very excited about Film Night next Friday and look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible! As it's the last day of term it's also own clothes day too.

Kind Regards

Rachel West, Vicki Brown