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Dear Parents / Carers.

A great deal of time and thought has been given to the organisation of Parents Meetings for this term. As you may well have concluded, it is not possible for teachers to meet with parents face-to-face. This is due to the numbers of parents that would be visiting school site and the risk posed to us all by COVID-19. We totally appreciate that this is far from ideal, particularly if your child is new to our school or have a different teacher this year, as I know that parents would have wanted to have had the opportunity to have face-to-face contact. Therefore, as an alternative we will be offering the chance to meet with the teacher for a parent consultation via our online parents' evening booking system. For those of you with access to a computer or video communication device, this may be an option you wish to take up. For those of you that do not have this facility, the class teacher will conduct your child's Parent Consultation over the telephone in much the same way as we did during lock down. This is the best we can offer in the circumstances.

The bookings of the consultations will be made the same way as last year using our online booking system and parents will be expected to let us know through this booking system which option they would like to have e.g. video or a telephone consultation. You will, however, receive further information over the next few days.

This week we have received some complaints from other parents regarding drop off and collection times. It has been flagged to us that some parents are not being as courteous to others when waiting in the socially distanced queue e.g. they are over-taking others and not waiting in the queue or are vaping and unintentionally blowing vapour into the faces of others. Both have caused some upset and so I wanted to mention this before any further upset is caused.

It is important that Parent Pay accounts are all activated so that newsletters and correspondence, along with payments can all use the same system. Currently we are having to pay for two different systems because 20% of parents have not activated their accounts. This is costly and not the best use of school budget, when money could be redirected for children's learning.

A letter is going out today to ask parents and children to return all their school reading books from last year. Boxes will be placed at the entrances for this book amnesty/collection. The quicker we collect the books in and get them quarantined and put back on shelves, the quicker we will be able to consider the redistribution for home reading. We thank you for all having a good hunt at home for any books that need returning - thank you.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Donna Ellison—Headteacher

### Achievements this Week

#### Hazel – Irenonsen, Adrian & Madhav

Settling so well into Hazel class. We are so pleased you came to join us.

#### Hawthorn - Whole Class

Well done to the whole class. We are amazed by how quickly you have settled and adapted in Year 1. We know sometimes you find things tricky but we are so proud of the way you are persevering!

Maria has had a super start to year 2. She is working so hard and I am really impressed with her positive attitude.

#### Cedar - Veei

Veer has had a great start to Year 2 with a super attitude to learning. Keep it up!

#### <u>Maple – Alfie</u>

For being super resilient and extremely patient. Well done Alfie!

#### Juniper - Ash

For such a positive start to Year 4. Resilient and resourceful!

#### <u>Chestnut – Erin</u>

For turning the frown of her first few days upside down! You have developed such a positive attitude and got your sparkly smile back!

#### Ash - Amelia

Amelia works so hard and has had an excellent positive attitude towards her learning. A great start to Year 5. Well done Amelia!

#### Oak - Kai

For a fabulous start to year 6! You have come back with a positive attitude and 100% effort! Keep it up!

### **Well Done Ivy & Cedar**

Attendance 28 Sep - 02 Oct 2020

# Word Count

| Class    | TOTAL         | Words read this week |
|----------|---------------|----------------------|
| Hazel    | 0             | n/a                  |
| Hawthorn | 0             | n/a                  |
| Pine     | 8,160         | +4,534               |
| Cedar    | 3,864         | +3,290               |
| Maple    | 54,538        | +32,949              |
| Juniper  | 383,662       | +317,222             |
| Chestnut | 246,657       | +152,105             |
| Ash      | 1,783,033     | +760,625             |
| Oak      | 1,067,705     | +335,829             |
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| TOTAL    | 3,547,619     | +1,606,554           |

Winners are: ASH

An amazing total, well done. But an extra well done to OAK, for achieving their first MILLION words. Also to Joel in Year 5 for the first to achieve a PERSONAL MILLION! Fantastic!

#### Layer Up!

Currently it is really important that we keep the air circulating around school. The only way to do this is to keep as many windows open as possible in all areas of the school.



Therefore, we ask that children can 'layer up' in the event that they may feel a bit chilly.

Please also ensure that your child brings a coat to school as they will be going outside.

#### **Change of Contact Details**

Please can you let the office know immediately if you change any emergency contact numbers or email addresses.

If you do change your email address, please do not forget to change it on Parent Pay as our system does not update the Parent Pay system.

Many thanks





MENU Friday 9th October 2020

Have a 'Giraffe' at lunchtime For Young People's Mental Health

(v) Cheddar Cheese Wrap

Fish Fillet Finger Bap

**Yellow Pepper and Carrot Sticks** 

(v) Homemade Lemon Drizzle Cake (v) Vanilla Ice Cream Tub

# HOLLY & IVY CLASSES (RECEPTION) CHANGE TO COLLECTION AND DROP OFF ARRANGEMENTS

You will have received a letter regarding the changes to collection and drop off for Holly and Ivy.

We now feel that the Reception children are confident and settled, so we now know that they will easily be able to cope with separating from parents at the gate in the mornings.

Mr Hitchins and I will be on the gate to support throughout this change to ensure all parents know where to go and how it will work.

This new system will be in operation from Monday 5th October.

We thank you all for your continued support of the school.

#### **Parent Consultations**

This term the Parent Consultations will be a little bit different. We have had to replace the two day Parents' Evenings with the option of a video or telephone consultation with your child's teacher, via our online parent booking system.

The table shows what day your child's consultation will be on.

You will be receiving a letter on Monday outlining exactly what the process will be.

| Class    | Date                                    |  |
|----------|---|--|
| Holly    | Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2020    |  |
| lvy      | Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2020    |  |
| Hazel    | Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2020 |  |
| Hawthorn | Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2020 |  |
| Pine     | Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2020   |  |
| Cedar    | Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2020   |  |
| Maple    | Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2020  |  |
| Juniper  | Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2020    |  |
| Chestnut | Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October 2020     |  |
| Ash      | Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2020  |  |
| Oak      | Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2020   |  |

#### **OAK** and CHESTNUT CLASSES

Please look out for this letter via email as your consultations will be at the end of this week, and therefore have a smaller window to book your slots.

# Kai has been SOOOOO busy!

Kay has had to self-isolate for 14 days, but that hasn't stopped him working. He even made time for some cooking! Kai you have done so much work that we could not fit it all on the newsletter!! Well done. Mrs Ellison and Mrs Norris are so proud of you!



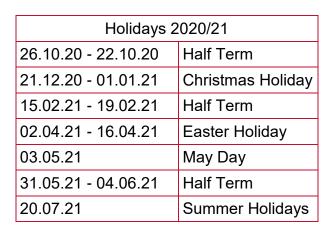


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Meet your future teachers and join us for a virtual tour which explores many aspects of the school.

#### **INSET DAYS**

Friday 23rd October 2020 Monday 4th January 2021 Monday 22nd February 2021 Wednesday 21st July 2021





## Don't Forget your PE Day!

| Class              | Allocated PE day |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Holly / Ivy        | Monday           |
| Hazel / Hawthorn   | Wednesday        |
| Pine / Cedar       | Tuesday          |
| Maple              | Thursday         |
| Juniper / Chestnut | Friday           |
| Ash                | Tuesday          |
| Oak                | Thursday         |



## Lunch Meny - Week 3 - 05 October 2020

#### Monday



Chicken Fillet Wrap

(v) Jacket Potato with Cheese

Chocolate Cracknel Juice Carton

#### Tuesday



Sliced Turkey Wrap

(v) Margarita Pizza

(v) Jacket Potato with Cheese

Yoghurt Raisin Box Juice Carton

### Wednesday



Tuna Mayo Soft Bap

Beef burger in a Bap

(v) Jacket Potato with Cheese

(v) Veggie Fingers in a Bap (for vegetarians only)

Beet Chocolate Cake Fresh Fruit Milkshake

#### **Thursday**



Roast Chicken Soft Bap

#### Hot Dog

(v) Jacket Potato with Cheese

(v) Veggie Hot Dog (for vegetarians only)

Orange Cookie Fresh Fruit Milkshake

#### **Friday**



(v) Cheese Wrap

Fish Fillet Finger Bap

(v) Jacket Potato with Cheese

Fruit Muffin Juice Carton

All deli bags are served with either vegetable sticks or salad. Ketchup is offered with the hot bap of the day.

Please note that the colour of meal is the colour that is ordered with the kitchen.

Any vegetarian dishes are display with a (v)