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High Firs Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Message from Mr Turtle

We have enjoyed celebrating the children's achievements over the past few days as we have had our special assemblies to recognise excellent attendance and personal achievements and progress. Well done to all the children who received certificates! We also enjoyed our Egg Hunt which was very kindly organised by FHF. I hope that you all enjoy the Spring Break - don't eat too many eggs!

End of Term Certificates

Congratulations to all our children whose achievements, both personal and academic, have been recognised in particular this term:

- R - Ezra & Lacey
- 1 - Olivia & Kayla
- 2 - Taylor & Aziz
- 3 - Charlotte & Grace
- 4 - Joseph & Mia
- 5 - Sophie & Rebecca
- 6 - William & Ellie



Just Bin It!

As part of our commitment to the local environment, all the children are invited to participate in the Swanley District Council "Just Bin It!" poster competition. The children are bringing home their blank entry today, which they can complete using either pencil, pen or paint, to encourage others to use bins for rubbish rather than just being dropped. The overall winning poster chosen by the council will be displayed throughout the parish. The children should return their completed entries to school by **WEDNESDAY 18TH APRIL 2018**.



Sport Relief 2018

Well done to all the children (and staff) who took part in our Sport Relief Mile event on Friday afternoon and thank you to all our volunteers who came along to count their laps! A particular mention to the children who walked the furthest in their classes -

Reception (20+ laps): Emanuela M, Ella V & Ezra W.

Year 1 (20+ laps): Thomas B, Joshua E & Lucy E.

Year 2 (25+ laps): Kamila B, Aziz H, Tommy G & Jackson W.

Year 3 (25+ laps): James D

Year 4 (25+ laps): Taylor B

Year 5 (30+ laps): Adeoluwa

Year 6 (30+ laps): Ewan



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Easter / Spring Competition



We had an amazing 141 entries for this year's Easter / Spring Competition - well done to all the children who took part. The following children were chosen for particular recognition for their efforts:

Reception - Mabel & Teddy
 Year 1 - Elliot & Evie T
 Year 2 - Jacob & Tristan
 Year 3 - Chiana & James D
 Year 4 - Morgan & Amy T
 Year 5 - Lucia & Kieran
 Year 6 - Beth & Ella

House Points

Congratulations to all the children in **CHESTNUT** house who were this term's House Points winners with a fantastic **778** points. The totals for each house were:

BEECH 602
ASH 686
OAK 725
CHESTNUT 778

Attendance Awards

Thank you to all **those** parents who continue to support their children's learning and social development by recognising the importance of the children being in school every day.




Congratulations to **YEAR 4** who are the overall winners for their attendance with a fantastic **97.41%** attendance over the Spring term; they will be celebrating their achievements with special treats in the Summer Term. They are also currently in the lead for the year's attendance. The class results are -

4.9.17 to 26.3.18	
WHOLE SCHOOL	95.72
4	97.82
5	96.46
2	96.20
Reception	95.14
6	95.13
1	94.84
3	94.26

8.1.18 to 26.3.18	
WHOLE SCHOOL	95.32
4	97.41
5	96.52
3	95.96
1	94.51
2	94.42
R	94.34
6	94.04

A special mention also goes to **Year 3** for their significant improvement from the Autumn Term.

Congratulations to the following children whose excellent attendance in the Spring Term has been recognised with a certificate:

	Kerime A, Harrison A, Jessica A, Aiden A, Yuri A, Ellie B, Tommy B, Amelia B, Amelia B, Lucy B, Alex B, Taylor B, Mia C, Jaisen C, Matthew C, Sophie C, James D, Ruby D, Freya E, Grace E, Jessica E, Lucy E, Faye F, Harry F, Isla F, Riley F, Liam G, James H, Bobby H, Lexie J, Harry J, Belle L, Joseph L, Zoe L, Jalena L-H, Sunni L-H, Charlotte L, Harry L, James L, Tommy M, Emanuela M, Chanelle M, Daisy M, Lily M, Millie N-S, Kimi P, Charlotte P, Albie R, George R, Kaylem T, Kyla T, Francesca T, Asa T, Dru T, Amy T, Harley T, Francesca V, Megan V, Samuel W and Adeoluwa W.
	There are no 99% certificate winners.
	Ruby B, Luke D, Brandon F, Ben P, Bobby R and Ezra W.



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"Rhyme Craft" poems published

Congratulations to all our children whose "Rhyme Craft" poems were chosen for publication by Young Writers in their latest book - Chiana W, Nicole K, Reuben B, Jack M, Zak H, James L, Carolina G, Alex B, Janay C, Matthew C, Vivienne V, Grace R, Lucy B, James H, Nadine R, Morgan P, Harry T, George R, Amelia B, Lewis W, Aiden A, Jack L and Francesca V.



Important Health Information - PLEASE REMEMBER!

Please remember to **let the school know immediately** if you suspect your child has any of the following (even if it has not been confirmed): **measles, chicken pox or shingles**. It is also important to let us know if your child has been exposed to these illnesses (eg through a friend at a club or a family member) but has not shown the symptoms themselves. Please also let us know if your child has also been in contact with any other infectious diseases.



**** Please note we are a PEANUT-FREE school; please do not send in peanut-based products. ****

**INSET DAYS
2017-2018**

- No children in school
- 1 - Mon 4 September
- 2 - Thurs 4 Jan
- 3 - Fri 5 Jan
- 4 - Fri 25 May
- 5 - Mon 2 July

Coming up after the holiday:

THERE ARE NO SCHOOL CLUBS IN WEEK 1 EXCEPT GIRLS' FOOTBALL - LETTERS COMING HOME AT THE START OF TERM.



Friday 30 March to Sunday 15th April - Spring Holiday

Mon 16 April Start of Summer Term

Weds 18 April Just Bin It Competition deadline

Fri 20 April Kent Safe Rider starts (groups to be confirmed)
Yr3 swimming restarts

TERM DATES 2017-18							September 2017							October 2017							November 2017						
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Dear Sir/Madam

Ribbon of Poppies 2018

Sevenoaks Town Council is inviting all knitters to help commemorate the end of WW1. Would you be prepared to knit a red poppy or two? If yes please email gsi@sevenoakstown.gov.uk for a pattern.

Your poppies will be used to adorn The Vine Gardens in the Town to celebrate the ending of the First World War in 1918. On 11th June, National Yarn Bombing Day, the knitted poppies forming part of the National #RibbonofPoppiesSevenoaks will be unveiled in The Vine Gardens and you are invited to attend. The poppies will form part of the commemoration from June to November 2018.

Please drop your poppies into the Sevenoaks Town Council Offices, Bradbourne Vale Road, Sevenoaks, Kent, TN13 3QG by the end of May.

Any and all support will be deeply appreciated by those who lost relatives in WW1 and the Remembrance Day Service on 11th November 2018 at the Vine War Memorial will be specially dedicated to WW1 as well as those lost in subsequent conflicts around the world.

If you have any queries, or would like further information please contact Bonnie Jagling at Sevenoaks Town Council 01732 459 953 or email gsi@sevenoakstown.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

Linda Larfer MBE
Chief Executive/Town Clerk



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Town Clerk

Orchards Academy celebrates its Golden Jubilee this year:

Did you go to Orchards as a student?

Have you worked with us as a member of staff?

Do you have any photographs or memorabilia we can use in our Jubilee Exhibition?

If you would like to contribute to our celebrations please email:

hdorling@orchards-tkat.org

You can post or fax items to:

St Mary's Road,
Swanley,
Kent,
BR8 7TE

Fax: 01322 661 006

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For further details about our celebrations please see our school website

www.orchards-tkat.org


Orchards Academy



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