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Dear Parents/Guardians

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The House Cup was won by **Saturn** this week



World Book Day



The school turned into a mass of red and white as the children came to school as Wally or Wanda, Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the characters. There were a variety of activities going on through the day including a Where's Wally hunt and lessons were focussed around the books.



Rock Assembly

On World Book Day we also had a representative from Rock Steady providing a noisy and fun assembly to stimulate children's interest in playing rock music, synthesizer, drums, singing and guitar. There will be further free taster sessions on Wednesday 8th March.

Good Book Certificates 3rd March

Yr 1 Bodiam – Stirling
Yr 1 Arundel – Charlie
Yr 2 Leeds – Tyler
Yr 2 Pevensey – Ben
Yr 3 Lewes – Darwin
Yr 3 Deal – Ismail
Yr 4 Dover – Jessica
Yr 5 Hever – Ben
Yr 6 Rochester – Hope

Smoking

The school has a clear no smoking policy within it's grounds which all parents adhere to. Thank You.

I would now like to ask parents to extend this zone beyond the school gates so that children and parents do not have to walk through a cloud of smoke as they leave the school site. If you are a smoker please would you make sure that you are standing out of the way of the general flow of children and parents leaving or entering the school site. Thanking you in advance for your support.



Parent Governor – we need you!

No applications so far, please do give serious thought to joining the Governing Body. No experience needed, just bags of enthusiasm and willingness to help develop the school for the benefit of your children.

Supple Strength Fitness Class

Yanina who is a parent at school is running a Supple Strength Fitness Class at the school on Wednesday's 8 – 8.45 pm. The cost is £7 a session or three sessions for £15. All proceeds go to the PTA and last term she raised a terrific

Dates to remember

March

6th ECO Club Jumble Sale 3.15 – 4.15pm mini hall

8th March Rock taster sessions

9th High Five Netball Tournament 4.15 – 6pm

9th Cross Country Race – Penshurst Place

16th Cross Country Race – Somerhill

17th Early Years to the Library

18th The Big Cheese Night

19th 4 pm SM@SCH In the school hall

20th David Fuller – author visiting KS2

21st 9.10 am Year 4 Assembly

23rd Year 3 Leeds to Museum

24th Year 3 Deal to Museum

24th Red Nose Day (wear something red)

24th Year 6 Easter Experience

28th 1.45 pm Easter Service at Church

29th Infants Disco 3.05 – 4.30pm

29th Year 4 TW Museum Workshop

29th Cross Country Race - Hever

31st Last day of Term

April

19th Children back to school

May

24th KS2 Disco 3.15pm

26th Last day of Term

June

5th Return to school

July

20th Last day of term

High Five Netball Tournament – Thursday 9th March

The school is entering a team in the tournament held at TWGGS. I wish the girls the best of luck 😊 NB there will be no club on this date.

Cross Country Race

Good luck to the Cross Country team who are running at Penshurst on Thursday 9th March. 😊. NB There will be no Cross Country Club on this day.

Eco Club Jumble Sale

Eco Club are holding a jumble sale on Monday 6th March in the mini hall 3.15 – 4pm. If you have any good as new items that we can sell could you please bring them to the hut in the junior playground before this date.

Toni will also be making a cake to raffle, tickets will be available from the hut or the office and will cost £ 1.00 per strip.

Reminder -Residential visit 27th -29th September

Please ensure your second payment is received at the office for the attention of Mrs White. The cost of this trip has now been finalised at £110 per child. The next payment of £45 is due on **Wednesday 15th March**, or before. Thank you.

Attendance 20th – 24th Feb

Congratulations to Lewes who had the best attendance for the week. It was good to see the majority of classes with over 95%

| Group | Presents | Authorised Absences | Unauthorised Absences | % Attend | Whole year |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------|
| EY Camber | 92.7 | 0.7 | 6.7 | 92.7 | 96.3 |
| EY Windsor | 96.9 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 96.9 | 94.1 |
| Year 1 Arundel | 97.6 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 97.6 | 94.6 |
| Year 1 Bodiam | 96.1 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 96.1 | 95.4 |
| Y2 Leeds | 98.3 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 98.3 | 96.7 |
| Y2 Pevensy | 96.4 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 96.4 | 94.8 |
| Year 3 Lewes | 98.4 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 98.4 | 95.7 |
| Year 3 Deal | 98.3 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 98.3 | 96.4 |
| Y4 Dover | 94.8 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 98.3 | 95.1 |
| Y5 Hever | 94.6 | 4.6 | 0.8 | 94.6 | 95.1 |
| Y6 Rochester | 97.8 | 0.7 | 1.5 | 97.8 | 95.8 |
| Totals | 96.5 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 96.8 | 95.4 |

for the week. It's a while since we had a 100% fingers crossed!

Yours sincerely

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