



Issue 8

Friday 13th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year!

It was wonderful to hear of the Christmas delight and celebrations on our return to school, I hope you all had an enjoyable break.

I would like to pass on huge thanks from all of the staff (including the crossing patrol volunteers) for the Christmas wishes, cards and gifts; we are truly grateful.

I am pleased to share that Mrs Rumsey was discharged from hospital for Christmas. She remains at home receiving care from the specialists and her family. Mrs Rumsey extends her thanks for the well wishes and gifts too.

The weather continues to show its unpredictability. The forecasts are suggesting there could be snow again next week, if this is the case we will notify you of any changes via StudyBugs. In addition, if there are occasions when you come to drop off/ collect your child from wrap around care, if there is flooding outside the gate please try the main gate and if someone is in the office they of course will let you through this way.

Maths Stay & Learn sessions:

Mrs Fletcher leads maths in our school and our stay and learn sessions this term focus on maths. Please see the dates at the bottom of the newsletter and attend so you can work alongside your child.

Friends:



Great thanks to Friends for funding the pantomime treat, including ice cream, for the children this week. This was a wonderful event which certainly brightened up a wet week in school. We chose to bring the pantomime to us and to have it in January to help reduce costs and to inspire our writing in school. This most certainly did with some amazing writing across the school.





Elm Class:

Elm Class have been designing their own scarecrow, which will have a circuit in and we will be presenting our ideas to 'Dragons Den'. We will be learning how to use a micro-bit, in computing, and may also choose to incorporate this into our science circuit. Year 6 are enjoying Outdoor learning again this term and have begun by thinking about the seasons and how each can be represented using the natural resources available in winter.





The whole school enjoyed their Robin Hood Pantomime on Wednesday afternoon and we have been learning to write a theatre review, which may well be sent to the production company!

We have had fun learning moves and words to the songs for Young Voices and look forward to performing these with Dallington at the end of the month and are also looking forward to learning the dance moves for our Big Dance next week with Abi Brockhurst – we are dancing to *I Ain't Worried* by One Republic.

Co-written by Eli and Mrs Winter



Hazel Class:

Hazel Class have successfully followed a recipe this week. They created their own pizza base and were able to make their planned design of a perfect pizza. Mrs Fletcher and Miss Childs could not believe how many children enjoyed olives. The smelled and tasted

delicious! We learned that in order to be successful, we had to measure

very accurately!



We have begun learning about the countries that make up the United Kingdom and have also started to read our current class text 'The Magic Finger' by Roald Dahl. We have enjoyed making predictions already, and now we are thinking about the vocabulary that the author has chosen to use in a bit more detail.

Class attendance	Beech	Hazel	Oak	Elm
Week 1	95%	96.7%	95%	91%
Week 2	100%	91.3%	100%	91.8%

At the end of week 2 our school attendance is 94%, our target is 96%.

Out of school achievements:

Huge congratulations to Amber who won gold medals through her Lewes swimming team for backstroke and butterfly. Amber will now represent Lewes at the Brighton swimming gala, we all wish her luck and look forward to hearing all about it.

Star of the week: Each week the adults and children reflect in their classes and choose a member of the class to receive the 'Star of the week' certificate. I am pleased to share that in...

Weeks 5 & 6:

Beech: Evie Hazel: Della Oak: Harry Elm: Isla Beech: Millie Hazel: Emilia Oak: Mia Elm: Amber

Thank you for being the best you can be!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

C. Kínsella





All dates are subject to change – more details will follow regarding specifics. Yellow highlight shows new additions/ changes from the previous newsletter.

Term and Week	Date	Event	
T3 W3	Tuesday 17 th January	Y4 Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am	
T3 W3	Wednesday 18 th January	EYFS Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am	
T3 W3	Thursday 19 th January	Census Day	
T3 W3	Thursday 19 th January	Y3 Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am	
T3 W3	Friday 20 th January	Y1 Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am	
T3 W4	Wednesday 25 th January	Y5/6 Sports Hall athletics – details to follow	
T3 W4	Thursday 26 th January	Y2 Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am	
T3 W4	Friday 27 th January	Y5/6 performance of Young Voices in Punnetts Town Village Hall - more details will follow	
T3 W5	Tuesday 31st January	Young at Heart visit	
T3 W5	Tuesday 31st January	Y1 Phonics screening briefing for parents/ carers - 2.45pm and 3.20pm	
T3 W5	Wednesday 1st February	Y5 Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am	
T3 W5	Thursday 2 nd February	Y6 Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am	
T3 W5	Thursday 2 nd February	Y4 Multiplication check briefing for parents/ carers - 2.45pm and 3.20pm	
T3 W6	Monday 6 th February	Open afternoon to view child's work from 2.30pm	
T3 W6	Tuesday 7 th February	Parents consultations	
T3 W6	Thursday 9 th February	Parents consultations	
T3 W6	Friday 10 th February	Last day of term	
	Monday 13 th – Fri	day 17 th February HALF TERM	
T4 W1	Monday 20 th February	INSET day	
T4 W1	Tuesday 21st February	Children's First day of term	
T4 W1 – W6	Tuesday 21st February	Y1 outdoor learning – letter to follow	
T4 W1 – W6	Wednesday 22 nd February	Y6 outdoor learning – letter to follow	
T4 W1	Wednesday 22 nd February	Y5/6 Netball competition - details to follow	
T4 W1 – W6	Thursday 23 rd February	Y5 Outdoor learning – letter to follow	
T4 W2 – W6	Monday 27 th February	Y3 Swimming - letter to follow	
T4 W2	Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day	
T4 W4	Friday 17 th March	Comic Relief day	
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Monday 24 th July – Thursday 31 st August Summer Holiday				
T6 W7	Friday 21st July	Last day of term		
T6 W6	Wednesday 12 th July	Y5/6 End of year production		
T6 W5	Wednesday 5 th or Thursday 6 th July	Y4/5/6 Swimming gala – details to follow		
T6 W5	Tuesday 28 th June	Reserve Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm		
T6 W4	Tuesday 20 th June	Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm		
T6 W2	Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th June	Y1 Phonics screening check		
T6 W1 – W3	Monday 5 th – Friday 23 rd June	Y4 Multiplication check		
T6 W1 – W6	Thursday 8 th June	Y3 outdoor learning – letter to follow		
T6 W1 – W6	Tuesday 6 th June	Y2 outdoor learning – letter to follow		
T6 W1	Monday 5 th June	First day of term		
	Monday 29 th May –	Friday 2 nd June Half term		
T5 W6	Friday 26 th May	Last day of term		
T5 W6	Monday 22 nd May	Y6 Bikeability		
T5 W5	Thursday 18 th May	Census day		
T5 W4	Wednesday 10 th May	Y3/4 Tennis competition – details to follow		
T5 W4	Tuesday 9 th – Thursday 11 th May	Y6 SATs		
T5 W4	Monday 8 th May	Bank holiday		
T5 W3	Friday 5 th May	Class photographs		
T5 W3 – W6	Monday 1 st – Friday 26 th May	Y2 SATs		
T5 W1 – W6	Thursday 20 th April	Y4 outdoor learning – letter to follow		
T5 W1	Wednesday 19 th April	Y5/6 Tag rugby competition – details to follow		
T5 W1 – W6	Tuesday 18 th April	EY outdoor learning – letter to follow		
T5 W1	Monday 17 th April	First day of term		
	Monday 3 rd – Friday 1	L4 th April EASTER HOLIDAY		
T4 W6	Friday 31st March	Last day of term		
T4 W6	Wednesday 29 th March	Y5/6 Hockey Quicksticks competition – details to follow		
T4 W5-W6	Thursday 23 rd to Wed 29 th March	Book Fair		
T4 W5	Thursday 23 rd March	Y2 Little Sing – details to follow		
T4 W5	Tuesday 21st March	Young at Heart		