



Issue 9

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sad to share that Mrs Keeley Fordham will finish working at Punnetts Town on the last day of term; Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February. Mrs Fordham has been an amazing member of staff who initially started working in the school office and subsequently moved into classroom practice which she has flourished in. Mrs Fordham has also worked incredibly hard ensuring sporting events have been well attended over the last few recent years. Mrs Fordham will be sorely missed by all of the staff, pupils and no doubt yourselves. We wish her continued success in her new position as a Family Support Assistant; which she will be superb at. Thank you Mrs Fordham for all you have done.

Beech class have been joined this week by Mrs Zoey Parsons, a trainee teacher. Mrs Parsons will be working with us until the 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

### **Maths Stay & Learn sessions:**

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who have joined us, so far in our Stay and Learn Maths sessions; it is always wonderful to invite you in to work alongside your child in school. Year 5 and year 6 sessions are next week; we look forward to seeing you then. A short survey will be sent after your session, please take a couple of minutes to complete this, this is greatly appreciated by the staff and informs us of next steps. Thank you.

### **Big Dance:**

Elm class were joined last week to choreograph this year's big dance with Abi Brockhurst, from AB Stage School. This is always a fantastic piece of work which Elm class are working hard to perfect. This will be shown to the parents of those in Elm class on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

### **Sports Hall Athletics**

Well done to the 20 pupils who took part in the competition alongside the other local primary schools on Wednesday. The sportsmanship was fantastic and the children demonstrated amazing skills in running, jumping and throwing. Thank you to all of those who were involved.

### **Federation Voices**

Congratulations to all of year 5 and 6 who sang so beautifully in concert with Dallington this afternoon. The retrieval of many song words and fantastic collaboration of voices was a delight to listen to.

### **Friends:**

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February, Friends have asked for children to wear their own clothes to school. This is celebrating children's individuality and focusing on them wearing clothes that make them happy with a focus on well-being. We hope your child can participate. There will also be a cake sale; please bring in any donated cakes on the morning of Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Oak Class:**

#### **We have been so busy!**

In Oak class we have been so busy! In Year 4 we have been swimming. We are having lots of fun improving our technique, water confidence and water skills. We even all managed to jump in the deep end! Levo said "I have found backstroke legs a bit tricky but loved jumping in!"

Year 3 have been at Outdoor learning and have been looking at clues about the seasons and what one we are in now. "I think being outdoors is good as we learn a lot and play lots of games." Joel.

In science we have been looking at Solids, Liquids and gases. We have classified them and discussed which ones we know can change state. This week we did a science experiment to change liquid into a gas and tried to predict how we could make the most amount! We also went in the playground and behaved as a gas, a solid and a liquid! "I never knew boiled water turned into steam and the experiment was good fun." Commented Henry.



We have also been learning 'Three little birds' by Bob Marley and this week we used the glockenspiels to play music alongside of singing. Harriet discussed how she found it quite hard to see the notes and play them at the same time! We will continue to work on these skills.



### Bee Netball:

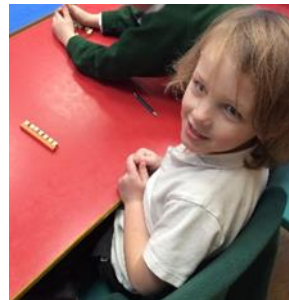
This week we also had Miss Hannah come from England Netball to teach year 3, 4 and 5 some Netball games as a special treat! We really enjoyed it. There is a new club starting on a Saturday morning based at Parkside CP School. Flyers were sent home with the children.

### Beech Class:

In Beech class this term we have been very busy! We are learning lots of new sounds in our phonics lessons and then using them to help us with our reading.



In English we have been writing our own version of 'We are going on a Bear Hunt'. Maths lessons have been learning about the composition of numbers and understanding numbers over 10 for the Year 1 children.



We have had lots of opportunities to investigate ice too!

Class attendance	Beech	Hazel	Oak	Elm
Week 3	96%	93%	95%	91%
Week 4	95%	93%	95%	90%

At the end of week 4 our school attendance is 93%, our target is 96%.

### Out of school achievements:

Huge congratulations to

**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...



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## Weeks 3 & 4:

Beech: Tommy      Hazel: Henry      Oak: Ethan      Elm: Ethan  
 Beech: Wilf      Hazel: Ethan      Oak: Harrison      Elm:Olivia

Thank you for being the best you can be!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

*C. Kinsella*

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 W5	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Year 3 Young at Heart visit
T3 W5	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Y1 Phonics screening briefing for parents/ carers - 2.45pm and 3.20pm
T3 W5	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Y5 Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am
T3 W5	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y6 Stay and learn Maths 9.00-9.30am
T3 W5	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y4 Multiplication check briefing for parents/ carers - 2.45pm and 3.20pm
T3 W6	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Open afternoon to view child's work from 2.30pm
T3 W6	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents consultations
T3 W6	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents consultations
T3 W6	<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February      HALF TERM</b>		
T4 W1	<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>INSET day</b>
T4 W1	<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Children's First day of term</b>
T4 W1 – W6	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Y1 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T4 W1 – W6	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y6 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T4 W1	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y5/6 Netball competition - details to follow
T4 W1 – W6	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Y5 Outdoor learning – letter to follow
T4 W2 – W6	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Y3 Swimming - letter to follow
T4 W2	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
T4 W4	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief day
T4 W5	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 4 Young at Heart
T4 W5	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y2 Little Sing – details to follow



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T4 W5-W6	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair
T4 W6	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5/6 Hockey Quicksticks competition – details to follow
T4 W6	<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April      EASTER HOLIDAY</b>		
T5 W1	<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>First day of term</b>
T5 W1 – W6	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	EY outdoor learning – letter to follow
T5 W1	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Y5/6 Tag rugby competition – details to follow
T5 W1 – W6	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Y4 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T5 W3 – W6	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Y2 SATs
T5 W3	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Class photographs
<b>T5 W4</b>	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank holiday</b>
T5 W4	<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup></b> – Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs
T5 W4	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3/4 Tennis competition – details to follow
T5 W5	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Census day
T5 W6	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Y6 Bikeability
T5 W6	<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June      Half term</b>		
T6 W1	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>First day of term</b>
T6 W1 – W6	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Y2 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T6 W1 – W6	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 outdoor learning – letter to follow
T6 W1 – W3	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Y4 Multiplication check
T6 W2	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 Phonics screening check
T6 W4	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm
T6 W5	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm
T6 W5	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> or Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Y4/5/6 Swimming gala – details to follow
T6 W6	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 End of year production
T6 W7	<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August      Summer Holiday</b>		