



Issue 11

Friday 3rd March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

The second half of our spring term has started really positively. The first few weeks have been just as busy as normal. I am delighted to welcome two new members of staff; Mrs Elizabeth Darville, who is supporting Beech class on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning and Miss Lauren Martin who supports both Hazel and Oak class full time.

Elm Class:



Last week, Elm Class followed instructions to make some potions, which were fun to make, looked good, but didn't work! This didn't matter, but what did matter was that we worked together as a team, realised we could have fun with words and make up ingredients: if you would like to know how to make a sewage rat roast you know which class to ask! We could choose what

instructions to write and you could also learn how to play pony tag or make a bolognaise.

We have been learning about forces and how an apple lead to us knowing about gravity (read about

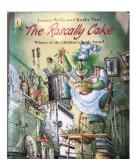
Isaac Newton if you would like to find out more): did you know we use them all the time?

We are looking forward to our in-class poetry competition next week and have been working hard to perfect out recitals.

Co-written by Charis and Mrs Winter







Hazel Class have been very inspired by all things disgusting this week. Using ingredients like; blackened toenail clippings, slimy snail trails and fuzzy hairballs and many more to create their own revolting recipe. They very much enjoyed using their imagination to 'make' a disgusting recipe. This has helped us to learn how to write lists, write instructions and sequence them in the correct order.





When writing recipes, we reminded ourselves about the many different non-standard and standard units of measure we could use and made sure that we remembered how to read scales of 1, 2, 5 and 10 accurately.



In Art we have been inspired by the work of Andy Goldsworthy and have enjoyed going on nature walks around the school grounds, making lists of objects we could use to create natural patterns and sculptures and designing our own. We can't wait to create them next week!









Netball:

Well done to the Netball team who participated in the HASP competition against the other local primary schools this week. Thank you for playing so well as a team and for your great sportsmanship.

World Book Day:



The staff and children enjoyed another successful House Day. The children certainly embraced the day with a wide selection of costumes and comfy reading clothes worn by all. A wonderful array of books were seen and shared across the school with great enthusiasm. Activities were inspired by World Book Day encouraging children to read, write, design, create and use technology to produce a collection to show

our enjoyment of reading. A wonderful whole school story was produced, which will be displayed in the school library.

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School Council and Comic Relief:

On Friday 17th March we will be fundraising for Comic Relief. We ask that children wear something red for a small donation (they do not need to wear school uniform). They can choose to also have 'funky or crazy' hair for the day as well! There will be a cake sale during the school day, so please send in a small donation for your child to purchase a cake. If you are able to donate any cakes, please send these in on the morning of Friday 17th March. We will also be sharing jokes as part of the day. If your child would like to share a joke, please send them in on Friday with the joke either written down or from a book. Thank you.

Class attendance	Beech	Hazel	Oak	Elm
Week 1	94.7%	92.3%	95.1%	90.9%
Week 2	94.5 %	92.2%	95.1%	90.9%

At the end of week 6 our school attendance is 93%, our target is 96%.

Out of school achievements:

Huge congratulations to Neve who participated in her first dance competition at Royal Tunbridge Wells Dance Festival, and for being placed in 3rd in her group dance of Peter Rabbit. Well done Neve.

Huge congratulations are also extended to Buster who won star of the week from Eastbourne Rugby club for his fearless attitude, try scoring and running forward. Well done Buster!

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 1 & 2:

Beech: Jack C Hazel: Sophie Oak: Charlotte Elm: Todd
Beech: Matthew Hazel: Rowan Oak: Aphra Elm: Poppy P

Thank you for being the best you can be!

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			
T4 W3	Monday 6 th – Friday 10 th March	KS2 class poetry sharing – letter shared			
T4 W4	Monday 13 th March	KS2 school poetry sharing final – letter shared			
T4 W4	Monday 13 th March	Friends Mother's Day Shop – details to follow			
T4 W4	Friday 17 th March	Comic Relief day – letter to follow			
T4 W5	Tuesday 21st March	Year 4 Young at Heart – letter to follow			
T4 W5	Wednesday 22 nd March	KS2 school finalist to represent school in HASP poetry competition			
T4 W5	Wednesday 22 nd March	Cross Country final at Beacon – letters sent			
T4 W5	Thursday 23 rd March	Y2 Little Sing – Studybug letter to follow			
T4 W5-W6	Thursday 23 rd to Wednesday 29 th March	Book Fair open for parents/ carers to visit after school			
T4 W6	Wednesday 29 th March	Y5/6 Hockey Quicksticks competition – Studybug sent			
T4 W6	Friday 31st March	Friends sponsored Bounce-a-thon – details to follow			
T4 W6	Friday 31st March	Last day of term			
	Monday 3 rd – Friday	14 th April EASTER HOLIDAY			
T5 W1	Monday 17 th April	First day of term			
T5 W1 – W6	Dates TBC	EY and Y4 outdoor learning – letter to follow			
T5 W1	Wednesday 19 th April	Y5/6 Tag rugby competition – details to follow			
T5 W1	Thursday 20 th April	Y5/6 Big Dance at HCC – details to follow			
T5 W3	Monday 1 st May	Bank holiday – school closed			
T5 W3 – W6	Tuesday 2 nd – Friday 26 th May	Y2 SATs throughout the month			
T5 W3	Friday 5 th May	Class photographs			
T5 W4	Monday 8 th May	Bank holiday – school closed (King's Coronation)			
T5 W4	Tuesday 9 th – Thursday 11 th May	Y6 SATs			
T5 W4	Wednesday 10 th May	Y3/4 Tennis competition – details to follow			
T5 W5	Thursday 18 th May	Census day			
T5 W6	Wednesday 24 th May	Y3/4 Tri-Golf at Beacon – details to follow			
T5 W6	Friday 26 th May	Maypole afternoon – parents/ carers to attend from 1.30pm – further details to follow			
T5 W6	Friday 26 th May	Last day of term			
	Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June Half term				





T6 W1	Monday 5 th June	First day of term		
T6 W1 – W6	Dates TBC	Y2 and Y3 outdoor learning – letter to follow		
T6 W1 – W3	Monday 5 th – Friday 23 rd June	Y4 Multiplication check		
T6 W2	Monday 12 th June	Y6 Bikeability – new date – letter to follow		
T6 W2	Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th June	Y1 Phonics screening check		
T6 W2	Wednesday 14 th June	Friends Father's Day gift shop – details to follow		
T6 W3	Tuesday 20 th June	Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm		
T6 W3	Wednesday 21st June	New EYFS (for September) Parent/ Carers evening		
T6 W4	Tuesday 28 th June	Reserve Sports Day – EY/Y1/Y2 am and Y3/Y4/ Y5/ Y6 pm		
T6 W4	Thursday 29 th June	Y6 to HCC for transition day		
		Whole school transition day in readiness for September 2023		
T6 W5	Wednesday 5 th July	Y4/5/6 Swimming gala – details to follow		
T6 W6	Wednesday 12 th July	Y5/6 End of year production at the Village Hall		
T6 W6	Saturday 15 th July	Friends Summer Fete – details to follow		
T6 W7	Friday 21st July	Last day of term		
Monday 24 th July – Thursday 31 st August Summer Holiday				
Friday 1 st September – INSET				
Monday 4 th September – Children to return to school				