



Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite the rainy weather, we have reached the end of the Spring Term and Easter is here! We were able to celebrate the children in Collective Worship this morning by giving out spelling awards, maths awards, certificates, attendance wrist bands and golden badges. The children have had a busy term packed with learning, trips, sports events and clubs. We also ended the term as usual by visiting our link churches and delivering an Easter Service. I hope the children are able to tell you a little more about what and why Easter is such an important festival for Christians around the world. I was really impressed by the singing in the church services, the children sound lovely when they all sing together.

For the majority of parents and carers, we will look forward to seeing the children back in school on TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL which is the first day of the Summer Term. For those year 6 children who are attending Easter school, please come in through the main gate at 9.00am on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April.

I would like to end this term by saying a big thank you to the FOLT team. Once again, they have raised large sums of money for the school by running the Easter egg raffle, the disco and many other events.

Another excitement this term was the launch of 'Jude's Book Exchange'. Please remember to encourage your child to read throughout the Easter break and Leatherhead Library is open throughout apart from the bank holidays.

From all the staff and pupils, we wish you a very Happy Easter.

*Thinking of you warmly and offering a prayer  
That Christ, our risen savior,  
Whose love is everywhere,  
Will grant you Easter gladness,  
A bright and joyful spring,  
And bestow upon you always  
Every good and perfect thing.  
Amen*

**Mrs Elizabeth Killin**  
**Headteacher**



## Upcoming Events

### THESE ARE SOME OF THE DATES FOR THIS TERM

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April** – Inset Day (School Closed)

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April** – Start of Summer Term

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April** – Girls football match at Meadowside

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April** – Boy's football match at Oakfield

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May** – Bank Holiday

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May** – Red, white and blue dress up for Coronation

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May** – Bank Holiday Kings Coronation

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 SATs

## Attendance



| Class                  | Week Ending<br>24/02/23 | Week Ending<br>03/03/23 | Week<br>Ending<br>10/03/23 | Week Ending<br>17/03/23 | Week<br>Ending<br>24/03/23 | Week<br>Ending<br>31/03/23 |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bumblebee              | 98%                     | 98.5%                   | 90.8%                      | 91.35%                  | 97.20%                     | 97.4%                      |
| Ladybird               | 88.5%                   | 92%                     | 90.3%                      | 92.65%                  | 90%                        | 92%                        |
| Hedgehog               | 93.5%                   | 90.65%                  | 90.9%                      | 92.11%                  | 93.30%                     | 91.8%                      |
| Squirrel               | 83.9%                   | 80%                     | 85.25%                     | 86.9%                   | 95.5%                      | 86%                        |
| Badger                 | 100%                    | 96.5%                   | 85.65%                     | 96.03%                  | 96.4%                      | 96.4%                      |
| Fox                    | 96.3%                   | 95.05%                  | 98.5%                      | 98.70%                  | 97.70%                     | 98.46%                     |
| Chestnut               | 95.6%                   | 93.2%                   | 92.55%                     | 89.25%                  | 97.75%                     | 96.45%                     |
| Oak                    | 94.15%                  | 90.70%                  | 91.66%                     | 95.7%                   | 92%                        | 93.33%                     |
| Maple                  | 93.15%                  | 92.45%                  | 91.67%                     | 88.15%                  | 95.30%                     | 95.7%                      |
| Eagle                  | 90.25%                  | 89.2%                   | 92.2%                      | 95.85%                  | 99.35%                     | 97.44%                     |
| Hawk                   | 91.5%                   | 92.3%                   | 98.5%                      | 95.15%                  | 95.80%                     | 96.15%                     |
| Kestrel                | 94.5%                   | 92.2%                   | 91.13                      | 95.11%                  | 95.95%                     | 98.06%                     |
| <b>100 % Attendees</b> | <b>282</b>              | <b>270</b>              | <b>173</b>                 | <b>270</b>              | <b>279</b>                 | <b>269</b>                 |

I am over the moon to see Kestrel Class chasing our resident winners, Fox Class, for the top spot! With two hamsters currently residing in school, we are able to have one in Fox and one in Kestrel when we get back after Easter. Well done to Eagle and Bumblebee too for smashing the 97% target. We gave out over 200 green wrist bands today to children who have been in everyday in March. We also handed out over 90 golden 100% badges to children who have attended every single day this term – they were all immensely proud. I have reminded the children that they need to be back in school on TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL and that they only need to come to school for 9 days to get the blue April wristband!

**Mrs Gray**  
**Deputy Headteacher**

### School Dinners

From 1<sup>st</sup> April, the price of school dinners will be £2.70 per day. Please ensure you account has credit before you order a school meal.

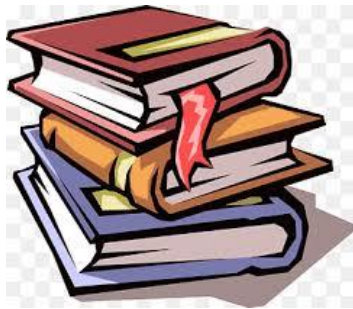
### School Finance

## Words of the Week

Vocabulary!

As a school, we have done lots of work with the children on developing their vocabulary. Each week we share our words of the week (linked to our topic and curriculum learning) and unpick what they mean. We use the word in different contexts, find synonyms, act them out, draw pictures and many more strategies to help us to remember them.

Developing children's vocabulary really impacts their speaking skills as well as their reading and writing. Listed below are next week's words of the week so you can discuss these with your children at home!



### Words of the week next week:-

**Year 5 and Year 6** – Sacrifice and Resurrection

**Year 3 and Year 4** – Conservation and Ecology

**Year 1 and Year 2** – Tomb and Resurrected

**Reception** – Farmer and Crow

### Christian and Learning Values

Well done to the following children who received a values award this week:

**Commitment:** Finley W (Hawk), Grace B (Kestrel), Demi H (Oak). Lucy T (Chestnut), Nathan F (Fox), Charlotte M (Squirrel), Harrison H (Squirrel)

**Reflectiveness:** Noah A (Badger), Radharani F (Badger), Oscar C (Badger)

**Perseverance :** Grace B (Kestrel)

**Resourcefulness:** Alice B (Maple)

**Love:** Izzy T (Eagle)



### Top Classes for using TTRS this week

1<sup>st</sup> Oak  
2<sup>nd</sup> Chestnut  
3<sup>rd</sup> Maple

#### Highest number of coins this Year

1<sup>st</sup> Zack  
2<sup>nd</sup> Amriel  
3<sup>rd</sup> Abel

#### Most Improved Studio Speed

1<sup>st</sup> Caleb  
2<sup>nd</sup> Zack  
3<sup>rd</sup> Stanley

#### Numbots (Key Stage 1) – highest number of coins earned this year

1<sup>st</sup> Bianca  
2<sup>nd</sup> Oscar  
  
3<sup>rd</sup> Elodie

**Congratulations for passing the next stage of Numbots:**  
Ross

#### HOUSE POINTS

1<sup>st</sup> Unicorn 2<sup>nd</sup> Phoenix 3<sup>rd</sup> Dragon 4<sup>th</sup> Griffin

## School Fish

We are very excited that our Fish Team have had their induction today and are very much looking forward to caring for the fish over the summer term. We have 3 male Guppies and 3 harlequin rasboras.



Mrs Gattey  
Assistant Headteacher





# When Fred came to visit



Fred our school therapy dog came for a visit to the Burrow, he joined in with us and we listened to the Easter Story. We had to make sure that we did good sitting and we could only stroke Fred if the adult said so.

Fred was very good and he sat when he was told, he was given a treat for doing the right thing. After the story Fred also let us stroke him, we were very gentle with him, we loved having Fred in the Burrow and cant wait for him to visit again!



# Achievements



## Football

This week we played football matches against The Greville School. The boys team won with an impressive 8-nil victory and the girls played a tough match and lost 2-nil. We have more matches coming up in the summer term!

## Cheerleading

Harper from Eagle class cheerleading team came 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 200 children taking part in a competition in Nottingham last weekend. Well done to you all!



## Year 1 visit Leatherhead Library

On Wednesday afternoon, children in year 1 visited Leatherhead Library. At the library, one of the librarians, Lois, gave us a talk about the library and we were asked questions to find out what we knew. Did you know that you can borrow up to 25 books at one time! We were read the story of 'The Grumpy Fairies' and after this we were allowed to browse through the books. The children also got to choose a book, which they put aside, and can go back with their grown-ups at another time to take out. If you have a spare afternoon during the holiday, I would recommend a trip to the library!



The children thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon out.

Year 1 teachers



## Keeping Children Safe and Dogs Happy



Dogs and children communicate very differently, but they can be **great friends** and help children develop kindness and a sense of responsibility. Just remember our six golden rules for keeping your children safe and your dogs happy.

### 1. Stay with your children around dogs

Never leave your child alone in the same room as a dog, even your own.

### 2. Interact with dogs at the right times

Teach your child not to approach dogs when they're:

- Eating or having a treat
- Have a toy or something else they really like
- Sleeping
- Unwell, injured or tired
- Blind or deaf

### 3. Be gentle

Teach your child to be **kind and polite to dogs**. Don't let your child climb on dogs, pull their ears or do anything you wouldn't allow them to do to another child.

### 4. Play nicely and teach tricks

Teach your child how to play nicely with your dog. For example, your child can **teach your dog some really fun tricks** like shake a paw, play dead or roll-over.

### 5. Give your dog space if they need it

Supervise your child when they're with your dog - if your dog looks unhappy, let them go somewhere they feel safe and happy.

### 6. Don't let your children approach dogs they don't know

Don't allow your child to **approach a dog they don't know**, such as when you're out in the park.



**Mrs Gattey**

**Designated Safeguard lead / Assistant Headteacher**