



# Newsletter

No.30 - 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017

## Recycling Challenge - PLEASE HELP!

Surrey Wastebusters have set a home recycling challenge a few of our pupils have already completed it and told me it took very little time. The children are very keen to enter the competition and possibly win £500 for the school (you may remember we won the rainbow picnic bench a couple of years ago)

We think we will need 100% of you to take part to have a chance of winning. You could also win an Ipad for yourself! Thank you for your support. **Please look for the challenge sheet in the book bag.**



**Rabbit Class and Captain Busta**

## Mindfulness Reminder

There will be a workshop for parents on mindfulness on 27th June 2017 at 1.30pm in the school hall. Please see attached letter. Please let Mrs Scott in the School Office know if you will be attending. An email reply is sufficient.

This workshop will be of particular interest to our Reception and Year 1 parents as the children will be participating in the programme next year.

### **Polite Reminder**

The teachers and teaching assistants need to give their undivided attention to the children to ensure a happy, safe and productive start to the day. For this reason we ask that you do not engage the teachers in conversation at the classroom door in the morning. If you have a message please write it in the link book and either hand that in at the door or ask your child to hand it to the teacher. It will be read straight away. If you need to speak to a member of staff because you don't wish to write in the book please inform Mrs Scott or Mrs Cummings in the School Office. If your concern is of a very urgent nature they will alert the teaching staff, Mrs Keedy or Mrs Hadden as appropriate. Mrs Scott or Mrs Cummings can also arrange a meeting with the teachers or the senior management team.

The teachers are available for brief chats most evenings after school or by appointment for a longer chat. The Staff really appreciate your support in this matter.

### **Lost Property**

There has generally been less lost property recently with most children having most belongings clearly labelled. (Thank you for this it is very helpful) However there are a number of unnamed sweatshirts on the trolley. We do hope they find their way back to their owners.

### **Tesco Shopping**

We are very excited to hear that there are already lots of tokens in the Polesden Lacey box at the local Tesco Shops.

Please help us to win by shopping at the following shops and asking for a token: Leatherhead Superstore; Craddocks Ashted Express; Epsom Station Express; Epsom Horton Express; Epsom Ruxley Lane Express and Ewell Express.

We are looking forward to buying new equipment for Forest Schools.



### **Walk to school week**

We are delighted to announce that many children used 'green' travel to school last week. The overall winner is Squirrel class followed closely behind by Badgers. In fairness to everyone we did some complicated maths that took into account the number of children in each class. Well done everyone.



### **Thank you**

A huge thank you to The Friends for organizing the quiz evening. In particular thank you to Mr & Mrs Prosser for putting together such a varied and (in some cases) tasty set of questions.

### **News from the Friends' Committee**

Thank you to all of those who joined us for the Quiz Night last week. We raised £350 and a great time was had by all. Special thanks once again go to our quiz master Bill Prosser for planning the quiz and entertaining us all!

Plans are now being stepped up for Village Day on Saturday 17th June and our Summer Fair on Sunday 2nd July!

We are looking for volunteers to help with Village Day preparations on the morning of Friday 9th June and with the children at school on the afternoon of Wednesday 14th June. Please get in touch if you are interested and able to give 2 hours of your time on either of these days. Please note that if you would like to come into school to assist on 14th June you must have already attended one of Mrs Keedy's safeguard briefing sessions.

Summer Fair: Please make a note that Mufti Day will be on Friday 23rd June. Please also start thinking about whether you can help us to secure some great raffle prizes for the Summer Fair and let us know as soon as possible.

Thanks for all your support!  
The Friends' Committee

## Forthcoming Dates Reminder

Monday 15 <sup>h</sup> May	3 – 4pm Netball and Multi Sports Club
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Judo Club Year 1 trip to WWF at Woking 3 – 3.45pm Tennis club
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	3 – 3.45pm Tennis club (outside)
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception class trip to Nower Wood 3 – 4pm Lego club
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	3pm – 4pm Musical Theatre Club
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	3 – 4pm Netball and Multi Sports Club
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Judo Club 3 – 3.45pm Tennis club
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	3 - 3.45pm Tennis club
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	9.15am Rabbit Class Open Assembly – all parents and carers are welcome 3 – 4pm Lego club
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	3pm – 4pm Musical Theatre Club



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Dear Parent,

Surrey Educational Psychology Service are going to be working with your child's school over the next few months to develop mindfulness-based practices in school. We will be giving an introduction to mindfulness to staff and parents and we will introduce school staff to a Mindfulness-based programme called MindUP. The MindUP programme explores social, emotional and self-regulation strategies and skills which focus on wellbeing. Using these strategies, the children can learn to enjoy the present moment, be more aware of their own thoughts and feelings and to feel more in control of their own behaviour. The programme consists of 15 lessons taught by the class teacher after which the skills the children have learnt will be integrated across the curriculum.

We would like to invite you to an information session on Mindfulness-based approaches so that you are aware of what your child is learning at school and can help them to be 'mindful' at home too.

The main aims for the session are to gain an understanding of:

- What mindfulness-based approaches and why they are important
- The benefits and limitations of mindfulness
- What is MindUP
- How you may practice mindfulness-based activities with your child

This will take place on Tuesday 27th June 2017 at 1.30pm - 2.55pm. Please complete the tear off slip below and return to the School Office to confirm your attendance. Please note an email reply is sufficient.

Kind regards,

**Hannah Warwick**  
Assistant Educational Psychologist

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**MINDFULNESS SESSION FOR PARENTS ON TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

Parents name and class .....

I would like attend the mindfulness session on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2017 from 1.30 pm – 2.55pm