

Newsletter – No.35 18th June 2021

Message From Ms. Mole.

On Thursday this week Squirrel Class had an amazing day at Wisley Gardens. Luckily, the sun was not too strong and the rain stayed away and this enabled us to make the most of our time there. The children were, as always, amazing. They asked really thoughtful questions and gave great answers showing their knowledge of the Amazon Rainforest and plants in general. When you scroll through the newsletter will you see some of the pictures of them engaged in the activities and having fun.

Badger class have recently started their topic on space. One of the pieces of learning they did was to watch a video of the first moon landing. To help gauge the children's knowledge they were asked what they thought they knew about the moon and the moon landings prior to watching the video and then what they had learnt from the video. Some of their ideas brought a smile to my face and so I asked if I could share some of their ideas. Here are some of the things that they wrote:

'Before watching the video I thought that there was weather on the moon but now after I watched the video the craters will never go away because there is not weather.'

Before watching the video I thought the moon was made of cheese! After seeing the video I realised it is made of rock.'

Before watching the video I thought the moon had gravity but it does not.'

'Before watching the video I thought that Neil Armstrong walked on the moon but after watching the video I realized that he danced on the moon!'

With the vision of Neil Armstrong dancing on the moon I will finish my message and leave you to enjoy the children's thoughts on the moon.

Take care and have a wonderful weekend.

Rebecca Mole Headteacher

Star of Week

Well done to all the winners this week.

- **Rabbits:** Alex for brilliant participation in learning, especially independent writing.
- Squirrels: **Finbar** for joining in with enthusiasm on our trip to Wisley.
- Badgers: Aya for achieving her writing target.
- Forest School: Jacob for immersing himself in Forest School activities.

Ellie for her care and precision when woodland crafting.



Values Leaves: Fair, Resilient, Respectful, Caring, Courageous and Curious.

Below are some of this week's leaves:

Mael was courageous when he fell off his bike twice and simply got back on again.

Charlie showed great perserverance with the Leaf Printing activity, he found it little tricky but after a couple of attempts he did it!

Keelia was caring when she gave her outdoor band to someone else without a fuss.

Henry E was caring when he reminded children not to knock down someone else's castle.

Jacob was curious when he wondered why water was invisible.

Anya was caring when she helped a friend gather up the bats at tidy up time.

Flynn was very caring towards his brother when he was upset. He talked to him, gave him toys and held his hand when he started crying.

Addison was very helpful at playtime. She gathered up lots of bats and balls at tidy up time.

William G was curious when reading about insects. He wondered if a stick insect had a hard or soft boby.

Daniel has been very curious about the class space topic. He has asked lots of interesting and relevant questions.

Sam was curious during a trip to Brooklands Museum and asked lots of questions about the cars and planes.

COVID –19 Testing Reminder

Please see yesterday's email from the office regarding Covid - 19 restrictions and testing.

Hats and Sun cream

Now that the weather is improving please remember to send your child in with their sun hats and sun cream applied.

(Make sure you write your child's name in the hat so that we can identify lost hats and return them to their rightful owner!)

If you need a sun hat we do have a supply available for sale at a cost of ± 3.50 from the school office.

Parking on-site—Reminder

As per section 1.1.1 of the Parents Handbook, can we please remind all parents that for safety reasons parking on site for drop off or pickup of your children is not permitted without prior permission from the school office. This includes dropping off and collecting from Breakfast and After School Clubs.





Eco Tip

In Circle Time the children were thinking of ways that we can become more environmentally friendly. Over the next few weeks I will focus on the ideas that the children came up with (there were lots of great ideas!)

Idea No. 2

Eat up all your lunch—try not to waste food.





Fairtrade

With the eyes of many on the Euros football championship , this week's Fairtrade item is BALLS

Sports like football, volleyball and rugby bring billions of people together. And whether watching or playing the game, the centre of attention is always the ball. But the people making these sports balls are usually hidden from view, working in precarious conditions with very low incomes.

Stitching a ball is detail-oriented work: a football typically consists of 20 hexagonal and 12 pentagonal panels that must first be cut, then bound together with 18 metres of yarn and 650 precision stitches. Factories in Pakistan are responsible for about 70 percent of all hand-stitched sports balls, with China, India, Thailand and Vietnam also major players in the industry.

Twelve-hour shifts and six- and seven-day workweeks are common, and women and children are especially affected. Workers who stitch the balls together are typically paid per unit completed rather than per hour. Women, who represent a large share of the industry's workforce, regularly face discrimination and harassment. Because of the low wages they receive, many workers keep their children out of school to stitch balls from an early age. To supplement meagre income, workers often

moonlight as smallholder farmers.

Fairtrade certifies balls for football (soccer), handball, volleyball, and rugby. The Fairtrade Standard covers all handstitched, machine-stitched and thermobonded sports balls. The great majority of Fairtrade sports balls are handstitched, as this method offers the best balance between performance, durability and affordability.













































Dates

<u>Summer Term</u>

Thursday 24th June — Year 2 at Yehudi Menhuin School—Singing Festival (am)

Friday 25th June — Second Hand Uniform Sale 1pm—3pm

Friday 2nd July — Second Hand Uniform Sale 1pm—3pm

Friends Movie afternoon— to be held after school more details to follow

Wednesday 7th July — Sports day Reception 9.15am—10.15am, Badgers 11.00am—12.00pm, Squirrels 1.30pm—2.30pm

Thursday 8th July — Athletes in School (am)

Tuesday 13th July - Sponsored Bounce (pm)

Friday 16th July — Friends Movie afternoon—to be held after school more details to follow

Tuesday 20th July — Year 2 Leavers assembly

Wednesday 21st July — School Finishes 1.00pm for the Summer Holidays