



Pupils of the Week

	Betty Bee Award	Wilbur Woodpecker Award	Olive Owl Award	Samuel Squirrel Award
Kingfishers	Olivia	Eleanor	Obi	Autumn
Jackdaws	Oscar H	Harvey	Hayden	Robin
Ospreys	Asher	Ava	Louis	Isabelle

Dear Parents

It seems such a long time since I last wrote a newsletter. Finishing on the Thursday meant that I didn't get to officially say Happy Easter to you all! I hope that you had a good break, it's a shame we didn't get better weather but it is looking like it will be improving over the next few weeks (fingers crossed).

SPARE BOOKS

We have had a clear out in the old Pre-school shed and have sorted an awful lot of books that are no longer required by school. We have moved all the surplus books into The Nest and we would like you to invite you to come in and help yourself to any books that you would like. We would like to avoid throwing anything away so if you know of anyone else, charities, groups or individuals who would like them please take whatever they would like.

LANGUAGE

This week I have spoken to all children from Year 1-6 about some of the "harsh" language that has been creeping in. I am not talking about swearing, which of course is not tolerated at all. This is more about some of the phrases that children are starting to use in their everyday chat such as "What the hell", "Oh my God", and other such phrases that quite frankly sound unpleasant and anti-social. Most children agreed that these phrases are nasty and potentially offensive but it is so easy for them to become habits which are then very difficult to undo. We do not want this to become an issue so could I ask for your support in clamping down on such disagreeable phrases so that our children are not getting used to using them.

OFSTED REPORT

We have received the draft report from our Ofsted visit and look forward to being able to share that with you once it has been finalised. I would like to thank our parent community for the overwhelmingly positive responses to the parent view questionnaire. It is reassuring that you feel as good about this school as we do. The report recognises all the positives that we have worked so hard on and also highlights a couple of areas that need further development.

PIPITS VISITOR

One of pipit class's favourite core books is Chapatti Moon. This week the Pipits were very fortunate to work with Mina from Khushi Kitchen in Kilmington. She volunteered for the morning and supported the children to make their own authentic Indian chapatti and a simple vegetable curry. The children then sat together for an Indian feast. They were very excited to have their own chapatti moons!

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Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)

Thursday
25th April
2nd May
9th May
16th May
23rd May

Children will need to bring appropriate clothing on these dates to change into, as the area is left totally wild. Wellies are ideal and long trousers and long sleeved tops are essential to protect from brambles, stingers and insects. Enough clothing to keep warm and coats are essential on these dates.

School Diary Dates

Our forthcoming events and diary dates are on our website listed in the *News & Events* section.

More specific details can be viewed online by clicking on the relevant event,
this will then display the letter content or additional information

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April	
Thurs 25 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
May	
Thurs 2 nd	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Mon 6th	SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY
Thurs 9 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 10 th	Non-uniform day – in exchange for a donation (PTFA)
Mon 13 th – Thurs 16 th	Y6 SATS
Thurs 16 th	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 17 th	PTFA Bingo – Hills Farm
Wed 22 nd	Y3-Y6 National Parks Trip – arrive at school 8.50am / collection 5.00pm
Thurs 23 rd	Jackdaws Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 24 th	PTFA Break the Rules Day
Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May Half Term	
June	
Thurs 13 th	Y3-Y4 Sing Your Heart Out – PACKED LUNCH - parents to transport
Thurs 13 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Tues 18 th	Class Photographs (afternoon)
Wed 19 th	Y5-Y6 Residential – PACKED LUNCH
Thurs 20 th	Y5-Y6 Residential
Thurs 20 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Fri 21 st	Y5-Y6 Residential
Mon 24 th	Y5 STEM DAY
Thurs 27 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 27 th	Y6 Woodroffe Transition Day
July	
Mon 1st	PTFA Whole School & Nursery Annual Trip – PACKED LUNCH
Wed 3 rd	Y6 Axe Valley Academy Transition Day
Thurs 4 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Thurs 11 th	Kingfishers Outdoor Learning (after lunch)
Tues 23 rd	Last day of term Whole School Picnic – PACKED LUNCH
24th July start of Summer Holidays	
Pupils return on Thursday 5th September 2024 – Autumn Term	