



## Staffing News

We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Cane on 20<sup>th</sup> November. She has been working in our office for the last 5½ years and will be taking up a new post at the Alderwood School. I would like to thank her for her hard work and commitment and wish her well in her new position.

Our new Business Manager, Mrs Zoe Fuller, will be joining us on 30<sup>th</sup> November and we look forward to welcoming her to our school community. As you can see, we do have a brief period of time when the office will be short-staffed, so we ask for your patience during this transition time.

This week we have also welcomed back Mrs Nikki Brewster from her maternity leave. She is now teaching in Eagle class on Thursdays and Fridays.

## Open Evening

Thank you to all of the children who returned to school at 6:30pm on Tuesday to help out at our Open Evening. They really did a fantastic job and represented our school wonderfully. Many of our visitors commented on their enthusiasm, good manners and friendliness. They all demonstrated just how lovely our children are!

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Congratulations to Sam, Kerenza, Lola, Wojciech, Harvey and Alfie. We chatted about so much over lunch and their thoughtfulness shone through. Well-deserved winners!



## DIARY DATES

Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Poppies go on sale at school
Thur 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 6 National Young Mathematicians Award (selected pupils)
Week beg Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Anti-bullying Week National Parliament Week Book Fair
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov 7:00pm	School Shakespeare Festival Performance at Camberley Theatre
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Individual and sibling school photographs taken (Siblings at Cove Juniors only)
Thur 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open Morning for Year 2 parents (admissions for Sept 2018)
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in Need Day (details to follow)
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	School Council trip to London to visit the Houses of Parliament
Thur 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Year 3 and 4 Flu Immunisations
Thur 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	PTA Movie Night Details to follow
Thur 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Pantomime "Jack and the Beanstalk"
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Dental checks in school (details to follow)
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Lower school dress rehearsal for KS1 children
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Lower school dress rehearsal for Year 5 & 6
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9:30am	Lower school performance to parents (Details to follow)
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 6:00pm	Lower school performance to parents (Details to follow)
Thur 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec 7:30pm	Choir performing at Aldershot FC Carol Service (Details to follow)
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Jumper Day £1 donation to Save the Children
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Christmas Lunch
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10:00am	School Christmas Church Service at St Christopher's Church
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9:15am	Ukulele Concert for parents of children in Hawk class
Thur 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec 1:30pm	Term finishes for Christmas holiday

# PTA News

## Movie Night

Unfortunately, the movie night planned for Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November has had to be postponed. The new date is Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November and the PTA will be sending out a letter with further information very shortly.

## Disco

Our 'Spooktacular' Disco was a huge success and the children all seemed to really enjoy themselves. The school looked amazing due to the efforts of two of our parents - many thanks to Mrs Shea and Mrs Jenkin. The children enjoyed a variety of games and the photo booth as well as dancing to the disco.



## Words of the Fortnight!

To encourage our children to use a wider range of vocabulary, we set a challenge for the children which we hope you will join in with at home too. Every two weeks, a new word is introduced in each class and the children get rewards for using them in their writing or in conversation. Our new words are:

Lower School

**'Traditional'**

Adjective - existing in or as part of a tradition; long-established

Year 5

**'Dedicate'**

Verb - to devote time or effort to a particular task or purpose

Year 6

**'Propaganda'**

Noun - information, especially of a biased or misleading nature, used to promote a political cause or point of view

How often can you use these words at home?

## **“Your Time to Shine” Day**

The days are again becoming shorter as winter approaches and to keep the pupils safe, the Junior Road Safety Officers shared safety tips during an assembly. To keep safe on the roads and increase their visibility to drivers, children have been encouraged to dress brightly and wear reflective items. 'Your Time to Shine' - was well supported by all. The JRSO Team encourage everybody to dress correctly throughout winter and be safe on the roads.



## **Parents' Evenings**

Thank you to the many parents who attended our recent parent evenings. Please remember that we do operate an 'Open Door Policy' so parents are always welcomed into school. If you need to speak to your child's teacher, or other member of staff, please make an appointment or chat to them briefly before or after school.

## **The Runway Club**

We are very pleased that our After-school Club has now started. Mrs Wendy Ellis-Garde is really enjoying getting to know the children who have attended so far. We are welcoming new children to the Club all the time. Please ask at the office for further information should you like to take advantage of this childcare facility regularly or on an ad hoc basis. Prior to attending, registration forms will need to be completed; these are also available from the school office.

## **School Council News**

The new school council has elected the following pupils to take the following roles:

Sam Roberts (Chairperson)

Lillian Roberts (Secretary)

Koby Swales (Treasurer)

Congratulations to them all!

At their first meeting, the council decided to support the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice as their charity this year.

## Lower School Outcome

Thanks also to the parents of our Year 3 and 4 children who visited us before half term to share the children's 'Save Our Seas' project work and participate in the recycling activities. It was lovely to see so many adults colouring and participating in the event!



## Library Request

A plea from the library- as Christmas is approaching it is a good time to look at your book shelves and have a sort out. The library is currently looking for books in a good condition to replenish the stocks on the shelves. However, we are also collecting old books (both children and adults) to send off to be recycled via a charity, which raises funds for the school. If you have any unwanted books in any condition could you please pop them in a box in the library which I will sort out appropriately?

Many thanks Mrs Mcilroy (Librarian)

## Year 5 Outcome

Year Five thoroughly enjoyed sharing the outcome of their 'Change 4 Life' unit with their parents on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. It was an opportunity to show how well the year group had collaborated to produce a mass display as well as share some of the exercises they had been practicing and perfecting this half term. It was wonderful to see so many parents participating and sharing, and we hope that the unit has resulted in some long-term changes that will encourage healthy lifestyles.

