

-----18th October 2013-----

Wonder Wall Question

How many words for small can you think of?



Reception – Musical Instruments

This week Reception children have been using their listening skills to explore the sounds that musical instruments make. They experimented with different instruments and then used construction pieces (tubes, string, pasta, tissue etc.) to make their own instruments. Next week they will be using the instruments to make up simple repetitive rhythms.



Year 1 - Senses

This week Year 1 were using their senses to come up with adjectives to describe a variety of different foods. Using samples of jelly, maple syrup, cocoa pops, ice and crisps year 1 tasted, touched, smelled, observed and listened. Each table made a note of the different adjectives they thought of. The children were fascinated with the texture of the maple syrup and they thoroughly enjoyed the lesson!

Year 2 – ‘Meerkat Mail’ – Sunny The Meerkat Goes Missing!



At the beginning of this week Year 2 had a visit from the police to appeal for help in finding Sunny the meerkat. The children searched for clues to his whereabouts. Based on the evidence they uncovered the children wrote a report for the police to help find him.

However – on Wednesday - there was great excitement when a letter was sent by special delivery to year 2 ! There was huge relief when they read the letter which was from Sunny to say that he had been found safe and well!

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 23rd October

Last day for school photograph orders.

HALF TERM

28th October – 1st November

Monday 4th November

Diwali Workshop Day

Thursday 7th November

School Nurse Drop in Session
8.45 – 10.15 a.m.

Monday 11th November

Dress up day

wear red, white & blue

£1 for charity & Jazzy Jars for Christmas Fair

Friday 15th November

Children in Need Dress Up Day

‘Wear Something Spotty’

£1 + small change for Pudsey Bear

18th – 22nd November

Anti bullying week

Wednesday 20th November

Help Your Child with Maths
2.00-3.00pm **or** 7.00-8.00pm

Friday 22nd November

Non Uniform Day

Bottles, Tins, Tombola Prizes /£1

Monday 25th November

Year 2 Play Buddy Training

Wednesday 27th November

Help Your Child with Phonics,
Reading & Writing
2.15-3.00 pm or 6.00-7.00 pm

Friday 29th November

Christmas Fair 2-4pm

Thursday 5th December

Reception Christmas Show
9.30 Dress Rehearsal – under
5’s/families welcome
2.00 Show – Ticket & Adults Only

Attendance

Attendance for week beginning 30th September 2013. Late arrivals will be marked as unauthorised absence.

If you arrive late please sign your child in at the school office.

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| ORANGE | 91.2% | RED | 96.0% |
| GREEN | 95.7% | YELLOW | 94.8% |
| PURPLE | 97.9% | BLUE | 93.2% |
| | | White | 98.6% |

Well Done White Class!!

School Council

During their meeting this week the school council toured the school with Mrs Walmsley. They observed all classrooms and communal areas to see how well they were being looked after by the children and staff. They noticed that in a few classrooms some coats and sweatshirts were on the floor of the cloakroom area and a good number of those were not named. They would like to ask all parents and carers to check their child's school uniform this weekend and make sure each item has their child's name in. (Remember all items in lost property that are not named are disposed of at the end of each half term. Our lost property box is situated just inside the door from the playground.)

Year 1

White, Purple and Blue classes are adjusting well to the new routines and curriculum in year 1 and are thoroughly enjoying themselves. To help your child become more independent please would you assist them with posting letters, dinner money/orders, reply slips in the school post boxes before school. Thank you for your support.

Colnbrook School – Outreach Service – Support Group for Parents/Carers 12th November 2013, 9.45 – 11.15 am Hayling Road, South Oxhey, WD19 7UY

If you have a child with Special Educational Needs in a mainstream school you may find this meeting useful as a member of the Money Advice Unit will be present to discuss financial support. (This is a repeat of the successful meeting in June).

“We are a small friendly group - please ring (0208 428 1281) if you are coming so we have enough seats and biscuits!!”

OTLEY WAY FAMILY CENTRE WOMEN'S GROUP (Otley Way, Watford, WD19 7TB)

You may be interested in:-

Budgeting For Christmas - 10.00- 11.30 am - 8 Nov 2013

Stopping Smoking - 10.00 – 11.00 am - 22 Nov 2013

Pre Christmas Pamper Session - 10.00 – 11.30 am - 6 Dec 2013

HAND – Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person with an additional need or disability aged 0-19 years? Go to www.hertsdirect.org/hand or call 01992 556984 for more information or see the flyer in our noticeboard. To see their newsletter go to <http://handnews.hertscc.gov.uk>.

Spare Uniform

We are very short of socks, tights and pants in our 'Spare Uniform Cupboard'. If you have any spares you are able to donate please send them in – thank you.

DIARY DATES (cont'd)

Monday 9th December

Yr1 & Yr2 Christmas Show Dress Rehearsal 2.00 pm– under 5's/families welcome

Wednesday 11th December

Yr1 & Yr2 Christmas Show 2.00pm & 6.00pm – Ticket & Adults only

Thursday 12th December

2.40 Childrens Nativity Assembly With Jane Robson from Kingswood Baptist Church

Monday 16th December

'Mother Goose' Drama Workshop – Year 2 only

'Mother Goose' visiting Pantomime – Whole School

Wednesday 18th December

Christmas Disco 5-6pm Rec, Yr1 & Yr2

Thursday 19th December

Christmas Dinner & Class Parties

Friday 20th December

TERM ENDS 1.30 pm

Lost Property

If you have any missing items of uniform or accessories please check lost property. All items of lost property without a name will be disposed of at **the end of each half term.**

Our Lost Property Box is located just inside the door from the playground.

Sent Out This Week

Raring To Go

Primary Times

Meal Orders

Breakfast Club Flyer

Art Club – Year 1 only