

**Deputy Headteacher Awards - Well Done to .....**

Ayden in Orange for his super Bear Hunt story.

**Deputy Headteacher Awards - Well Done to .....**

Charlie in Green Class for his imaginative story writing.

## Year 2 – Meerkat Mail

At the beginning of this week Year 2 had a visit from PCSO's Nikki and Mark to find out how they could report a missing person, or in this case, Sunny the missing Meerkat! The children searched for clues as to his whereabouts and wrote a report based on this evidence for the police to help find him.

However, there was huge relief later in the week when they read the rest of the story to find that Sunny had been found safe and well.



## 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 syrup, crisps, lemons, apples and ice cubes they used their sense of taste, touch, smell, sight and hearing. Each table made a note of the different adjectives they thought of. The children thought the ice cubes were cold, wet and slippery and the syrup was sticky and yellow, they all really enjoyed the lesson.



## Reception – Diwali

Reception children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about Diwali this week. They have performed a traditional stick dance and created their own Diwali lamps. Orange Class made an amazing display for their classroom. On Wednesday afternoon one of our parents, Mrs Patel, came in to talk to the children about the traditions of the Diwali festival, sometimes known as the Festival of Light.

## DIARY DATES AUTUMN TERM 2017

### HALF TERM

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup>-Fri 27<sup>th</sup> October

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

School Disco 5.00-6.00pm

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

Flu Vaccinations

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

Deadline for ordering Christmas Cards

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

Open Day

Quiz Night

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

Anti Bullying Week

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

Children in Need Dress Up Day

£1 or raffle prizes for Christmas Fair

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November**

Road Safety Week

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

Road Safety Assembly

Non uniform day – bottles & jazzy jars for Christmas Fair

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November**

Film Night for Children

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

Non uniform day – cakes for Christmas Fair

Fair

Christmas Fair 2.30-4.30pm

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Yr1 Christmas Performance 2.00pm

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

Rec Christmas Performance 2.00pm

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Dinner & Parties

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Aladdin Panto

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Yr2 Christmas Performance 2.00pm

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Rocksteady Assembly

+ rocksteady parents

**AUTUMN TERM ENDS**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm



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**Reminder – school closed next week for half term break – 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October. Whether you are going away or staying at home we hope you have a great time.**

**See you all on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.**



## Reading Challenge

We were thrilled to see that so many of our children reached the first stage of our Reading Challenge and this week they received the first reward of a pack of stickers. We are very lucky to have a well stocked library and a huge selection of reading books to inspire the children, and we really value the support that you give your children by helping them to read at home. As your child meets each stage of the Reading Challenge they will be presented with their reward in our Achievement Assembly which is on a Monday afternoon.

## Harvest Collection

Thank you for your generosity and donations for our Harvest collection for Watford Foodbank. They gratefully received the 208 kilos of food we delivered to them this week. This will help Watford Foodbank fulfil their aim to give everyone referred to them a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food.

## Safeguarding

The school curriculum is flexible, relevant and engages pupils' interest. It is also used to promote safeguarding, not least through teaching pupils how to stay safe, how to keep themselves from harm and how to take responsibility for their own and others safety. This may be something to bear in mind with Halloween and Guy Fawkes Night approaching.

## Goodbye and Good Luck

We say goodbye and thank you today to Mrs Lewis today who leaves us to move on to a new venture. Mrs Lewis has been a valued member of staff for four years and a great support to parents and children in the classroom, playground and at Gardening Club and Breakfast Club. We would like to wish Mrs Lewis the best of luck in her new role.

## Attendance

Blue Class won the attendance cup last week, well done! Yellow and Orange Classes had brilliant punctuality with no late arrivals ☺

*Late arrivals will be marked as unauthorised absence. If you arrive late, after 8.55 am, it is important to sign your child in at the school office.*

<b>ORANGE</b>	98.7%	<b>RED</b>	94.4%
<b>GREEN</b>	96.4%	<b>YELLOW</b>	96.6%
<b>BLUE</b> 	99.3%	<b>PURPLE</b>	93.8%

## Maths Challenge

How much do you weigh? Make a prediction and see if you are right.

## Philosophy For Children (P4C)

Would it be good if we were all the same?

What do you think?

## DIARY DATES

### SPRING TERM 2018

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

Spring Term starts

### HALF TERM

Mon 12<sup>th</sup>-Fri 16<sup>th</sup> February

### SPRING TERM ENDS

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm

### SUMMER TERM 2018

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April**

Summer Term starts

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May**

Bank Holiday – School Closed

### HALF TERM

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> May – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> June

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

INSET Day – School Closed for Children

### SUMMER TERM ENDS

FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> July at 1.30pm

**23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> July**

INSET Days – School Closed for Children

**25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> July**

INSET Days – School Closed for Children

## School Photographs

Photograph orders and payments have been collected – you can still order online.

## Half Term Achievement Awards

Well done to all the children who received an award. Certificates were presented to the children in our Achievement Assembly this morning and names have been published with this newsletter and on our website.

## Letters

**Sent Out This Week**

**Quiz Night Leaflet**

**Loko Dance Leaflet**