

----- 3rd February 2017 -----

**Remember – School Closed for Half Term
Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February**

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 7th February

Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 8th February

Yr2 Go Shopping!

Yr2 Great Fire of London

Re enactment 2.00pm

Yr 2 Parents welcome at 2.00pm

Thursday 9th February

Yr2 Great Fire of London Workshop
& Dress Up Day

Friday 10th February

Red Class Assembly 2.30pm

Thursday 23rd February

Mega Maths Afternoon 2.00pm

HALF TERM

Mon 13th – Fri 17th February

Monday 27th February

Parent Consultations 3.30-5.30pm

Wednesday 1st March

Parent Consultations 5.00-8.00pm

Thursday 2nd March

Road Dahl Drama Workshop

Friday 3rd March

Green Class Assembly 2.30pm

Thursday 9th March

Yr1 Visit Aldenham Country Park

Friday 10th March

Yellow Class Assembly 2.30pm

Quiz Night 7.00pm

Thursday 16th March

Yr2 Visit St. Albans Cathedral

20th-24th March

Book Fair in School

Wednesday 22nd March

Full Governing Body Meeting

Thursday 23rd March

Lovely Literacy

Friday 24th March

Red Nose Day

Non Uniform Day Easter Egg or £1 donation

Monday 27th March

Rocksteady Assembly 2.15pm

Families of Rocksteady bands welcome

Thursday 30th March

Easter Fair 2.30-4.00pm

SPRING TERM 2017 ENDS

Friday 31st March at 1.30pm



Year 2 – ICT

In ICT Year 2 have been creating an animation on The Great Fire of London using the software 2Animate.

This week they created the last two frames of the animation. They have learnt what a 'frame' is, how to break down the story into four sections, how to add text and how to edit a frame. Most importantly they have learnt to remember how to 'Retrieve' and to 'Save' the file.



Year 1 – Science

In Year 1 some of the children tested how far a car could travel down a slope. The slopes were covered with a number of different materials such as bubble wrap, foam, carpet, sandpaper and wood. The children first predicted which material would allow the car to travel the furthest. To make the test fair the children paid special attention to using the same car, making sure the slope was at the same height for each test and measuring from the same place.



Reception – Phonics

This week Reception children have been learning about animals and their homes.

In Phonics they sounded out the names of different animals. To support their learning the children took part in an activity where they cut out pictures of animals and matched them to the correct words and pictures of animal homes.



Megamaths - Thursday 23rd February – 2.30pm

You will have received a letter inviting you to join your child in their classroom for thirty minutes of Megamaths. Please let us know if you are able to attend by returning the reply slip or contacting the school office by email or phone. Please use the North Approach entrance from 2.25pm to make your way round to your child's classroom.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. There is a collection box just inside the main playground door or your child can bring them in and put them in their class 'Post Wallet'. Last year we bought lots of sports and games equipment for the children to use at playtime and lunchtime. We have until the 2nd May to collect vouchers so please send your vouchers in and collect from family, friends and neighbours if you can. If anyone would like to volunteer to count the vouchers please let us know.

Family Fun with Dinosaurs – Community Learning Partnership – Reception Classes

A new **FREE** 6 week course for Reception parents and carers and their children will be starting here on Tuesday 21st February from 12.30pm-3.00pm. Lots of phonics fun with dinosaur stories and craft activities each week plus mealtime and bedtime routine tips. Your child will have brought home a letter giving details with an application slip, if you are interested please reply by 9th February, spaces are limited. Open to Red and Orange Class parent and carers only.


Ghosts of Cassiobury – Watford Museum – 17th February 2017

Dare you meet the ghosts of Cassiobury? Can you solve the challenges and stop the zombie infestation? If you are ready for the challenge email cassiobury@watford.gov.uk to book your place or for more information. £20 per team of four (payable on the night). For children aged six and above. Teams can book to start at 5.30, 6.15 or 7.00pm.

Attendance

Yellow Class won the cup for attendance last week with Orange Class coming a very close second. Green Class was the best for 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.

ORANGE	95.3%	RED	93.7%
GREEN	94.3%	YELLOW 	95.9%
BLUE	91.3%	PURPLE	94.0%

Maths Challenge

Can you use ordinal numbers?
1st, 2nd, 3rd?

Philosophy For Children (P4C)

The world would be a better place
if

What do you think?

DIARY DATES cont'd

SUMMER TERM 2017 STARTS

Tuesday 18th April

18th-21st April

Poetry Week & Handwriting Competition

Tuesday 18th April

Verse Speaking Heats
Easter Assembly for children with Father Robert

Wednesday 19th April

St. Georges Disco 5.00-6.00pm

Friday 21st April

Verse Speaking Final

MONDAY 1ST MAY

School Closed – Bank Holiday

2nd-26th May

KS1 Statutory Tests

Monday 8th May

Class Photographs

Friday 12th May

Stranger Danger Assembly with PCSO Keith Sayers

Friday 19th May

Year 2 Gulliver's World Visit

Wednesday 24th May

Full Governing Body Meeting

Thursday 25th May

Year 1 Whipsnade Visit

HALF TERM

Mon 29th May-Fri 2nd June

FRIDAY 30TH JUNE

Occasional Day – School Closed

SUMMER TERM 2017 ENDS

Thursday 20th July at 1.30pm

FRI 21ST & MON 24TH JULY

INSET Day – School Closed for Children

Multi Sports

A new Multi Sports Club starts after school on a Thursday until 4.15pm from 23rd February.

If you are interested book your place as soon as possible with Elms Sport in Schools

Elmssportinschool.co.uk
020 8954 8787

Letters

Sent Out This Week

Magamaths

Yr 2 - Lets Get Cooking Club

Primary Times

Rec – Thomas Experience Leaflet

Shine Drama Info Booklet

Rec - Family Fun with Dinosaurs