



Autumn Newsletter 3 15th September 2017

Dear Parents,

In Class this week

Beech Class

In Maths, Beech class have been learning the numerals 1-10. In Phonics work, they have been learning the sounds 'P', 'G', 'N' and 'I'. They have been using Google maps to look at their own houses and making models of houses in Waltham. They have also been writing about their favourite places. They all enjoyed the Maths workshop and the various Maths activities they took part in.

Holly class

In Holly class this week the children have been continuing their book study (Goldilocks and the three bears by Lauren Child). They have been focusing on finding nouns. They have also written a letter to Baby Bear in character as Goldilocks, apologising for breaking Baby Bear's chair and eating his porridge. In numeracy, Holly class have been finding number sequences and explaining what has happened to the sequence. At the maths workshop, they had great fun with Prince Lumino in the land of Mathania where they helped him tidy up his kingdom by solving different maths problems, before the Queen returned. (See pictures on Seesaw.)

Please remember to refer to the class letter sent out at the beginning of the term outlining the homework timetable and daily requirements (i.e. when children need P.E. kits and clothes for our woodland adventures). Could we also remind parents that it is essential to NAME ALL THEIR CHILDREN'S CLOTHES PLEASE.

Thank you – Mrs Saunders.

Oak class

Oak class have been studying their novel with guided group reading and answering questions about the use of speech. They also created their own story openers using speech. In Maths, the children have been reasoning and problem-solving which fitted in well with their maths workshop activities. They have been continuing to learn about healthy eating. In Art, they have been drawing peppers using chalk and charcoal.

Sycamore class

Sycamore class looked at World War I poets and chose their favourite war poem to analyse. In Science, the children have been studying the life cycle of plants and taken some plant cuttings. In Maths, they have been working with compact addition including decimals. They took part in the Maths Subject Revolution workshop where they applied maths skills to various Maths activities to crack the code.

Girls Football

Sycamore girls will be taking part in a football event next Friday afternoon (further details to follow). If you are able to help with accompanying / transporting the players, please let Mrs Garnett know. Thank you.

Monday football practice

After school football practice starts again on Monday after school (optional for Years 1-6). Please return permission slips if you have not already done so. Thank you.

Change of Clothes

Please could every child have a change of clothes in school, in a named bag, to keep on their pegs. This should include spare socks, pants and old shoes or trainers (in case children get wet during PE or Woodland Adventures). This can be left on their peg until needed. Thank you.

Waltham Charter Fair

Waltham Charter Fair is **TOMORROW** Saturday 16th September, commencing with a family parade from the top of Waltham High Street at **10.45am** down to the Fair which takes place at Waltham Village Hall. All children, parents, grandparents and friends are welcome. The school is leading the parade so please try and come along if you can. Children may wear fancy dress or anything bright and colourful and bring something noisy to rattle, shake or bang!

The Charter Fair is a fun event for the village and wider community and helps to raise funds for school, pre-school and other local groups. Please come and support us! Donations of cake welcome – please bring to Charlotte Smith on the cake stall. Thank you!

John Ferneley Transition Events

We have been advised of some forthcoming events at John Ferneley school, for transition from Year 6 to Year 7. If you are interested in receiving this information, please email the Waltham school office and we will forward it on to you. office@waltham.leics.sch.uk

Wishing you all a happy and peaceful weekend.

Mrs J V Hopkins
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