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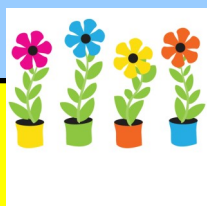


## Let's Get Fit Together

Getting active and having more energy are proved to help with mental health as well as physical fitness. Studies have shown that it increases concentration and alertness too, which help us learn. All good things.

As we have a lovely (largely unused) playing field, I'd like to start a running club at lunchtimes for all the school to run a mile twice a week, Thursdays and Fridays.

Please make sure your child has their training shoes with them so that we can all do it together. It's not a race—we can all do it at our own pace. All are welcome to come and join us—start at 12.35.



## Tidying up for Spring

We are currently tidying up the front of the school, pruning trees, weeding, and power washing the playground and mosaics.

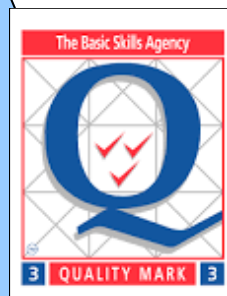
We would like to place a couple of flower pots near the entrance to brighten it up. If anyone has any spare seedlings or plants to donate, they would be very welcome.

Thankfully, the large pot holes in the parking area in front of school are finally being repaired too— thanks to the Parish Council who have organised and funded this.



## New PTA Group

Thank you very much to the parents who have volunteered to take part in this. We have set up a working group and will be working with our Community Development Worker, Ros Anscombe, as well as a representatives from the Parenting Project. We will keep you informed. All ideas and suggestions welcome.

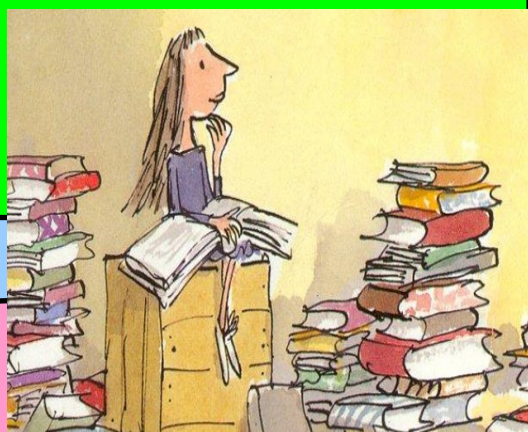


# Reading

## Read with your child Fridays

It was great to see the parents who came in to school this morning for our **read with your child Fridays** slot. These run on a Friday morning, and are for a 10 minutes at the beginning of the day for you to share a book with your child.

Everyone welcome.



## Phonics Workshop

We have introduced recently some changes to the way we teach children letter sounds (phonics), which are the real building blocks of early reading.

R/Key Stage 1 parents will receive phonics folders with their child's practice sheets to go over at home each night (as well as their reading books.)

We will be running a Phonics Workshop for parents to explain how to support your child with this crucial part of their learning, and with reading generally.

## Football

We are in the preliminary stages of arranging an after-school football session with Sydenham. Details to follow .....



**Have a great weekend !**

**Jacquie Birch**

**Associate Head Teacher**

# Valkyrie

Enjoying our Science and DT learning. The physics of forces using pushes and pulls. To apply our learning, we will be building our own movable (rotating) toy.

LO: To investigate  
Pulleys

Monday 20th January 2020

Today we experimented with a rope and sticks to make a simple pulley. We found that the more pulleys, the easier it was to pull the weight.



## How it works

- Every loop like an extra pulley
- Reduces force needed
- Easier to pull handles together

PICCOLLO



# 媽 Chinese New Year

On Thursday afternoon, Vulcan and Vantage children worked together learning about the Chinese New Year. They learned about the Chinese Calendar, Zodiac signs, and made Chinese lanterns and Dragon Masks. Much fun had by all !



# 媽



## House Points for this week

**Rabbits 66**

**Dogs 84**

**Guinea Pigs 160**

**Cats 70**

## Lighthorne Heath Heroes!

Congratulations to all of this week's  
Lighthorne Heath Heroes and our Smiler !



# LATENESS

What this means for you is:



Bad start to the day

Confusion

Missed Information

Anxious

Different from

Worried

Am I in Trouble?

Upset

Feel Responsible

Embarrassed



**BE SURE TO GET IN TO SCHOOL  
ON TIME!**

**Our School day starts at 8:55am**



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

every school day counts.

Well done to Y Reception who had  
the highest attendance at school  
this week with a brilliant 99 %

## Reception—

I have decided to leave Nursery off the attendance as  
their attendance is not statutory. 98%

Year 1/2/3—

96%

Year 4/5/6—

98%

Whole School Attendance:

97%

The minimum acceptable attendance, as  
stipulated by Warwickshire Local Authority,  
is 95%.

Low attendance results in poorer educational  
progress and attainment.

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RIGHTS  
RESPECTING  
SCHOOLS

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child:  
Article 3 (Best Interests of the Child.)

## **Diary Dates**

Reading Fridays—every Friday @ 09.00 in your child's Class.

**Monday 20th January –Eco initiative—Switch off Fortnight**

**Wednesday 29th January– Road Safety Visit.**

**Wednesday 29th January– KS2—'Boy in a Dress' Theatre Visit.**

**Friday 31st January –School closed INSET training.**

**Friday 14th February– Sharing afternoon in Classes/ Break up for half term**

**Monday 24th February—Return to school.**

**Thursday 27th February-Whole School- Cadbury's World Trip.**

**Thursday 5th March—World Book Day.**

**Tuesday 31st March—Parents' Evening 1**

**Thursday 2nd March - Parents' Evening 2**

**Friday 3rd April– Break up for Easter.**

**Monday 20th April— School closed INSET**

**Tuesday 21st April—Return to school.**

