

REMINDERS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Forest School: Friday 1st March- Fox Class
- Forest School: Friday 8th March-Hedgehog
- Forest School: Friday 15th March-Squirrel
- Tuesday 27th February 8.45 Family Learning session for **Fox Class**; will end 9.45 at latest.
- Wednesday 28th February 8.45 Family Learning session for **Squirrel Class**; ends 9.45 at latest.
- Thursday 29th February 8.45 Family Learning session for **Hedgehog Class**; ends 9.45 at latest.
- 1st March: library books due back in; new books chosen.
- Thursday 7th March-World Book Day Dressing Up (changed from 8th to avoid a clash with Forest School)

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Message from Mrs Ezzard

I am pleased to share with you that we have achieved recognition as a Prem Aware school! Having completed some really useful training, we have demonstrated our ongoing commitment to support families whose child was born prematurely. We are now much more aware of who that is in our school, what barriers they could face in their learning, and how best to support them.

This week I received the draft report from our Ofsted inspection for fact-checking; the report still needs to complete Ofsted's Quality Assurance process but I anticipate being able to share it with you all soon.

Following our chocolate tombola, which raised £80, the children have voted for new equipment which we will buy for playtimes. Our School Council presented all of the choices to each class and each pupil was asked what they would like to choose; School Council then decided which choices were the most popular. This is always a really interesting lesson in 'democracy' in that everyone gets to express a preference, but not everyone's choice will be purchased. We are all looking forward to being able to play on the new Pirate Ship which has been built this week. It is a good time to remind you all that the children (including younger siblings and other visitors) are not allowed to play on any of the play equipment before/after the school day because our insurance does not cover this.

Vicki, our Forest School Leader, was unable to come to our school today because her daughter is poorly, we will organise an additional session for Squirrel Class at the end of this term. This avoids confusing the other classes with when their Forest School sessions will be. Thank you for being so understanding.

We are looking forward to Family Learning sessions next week; please make sure you have responded to let us know which adult is attending.

Library books are due back on Friday 1st March.

TAMAT Music Concert Tuesday 26th March 6-7pm

Our 5 schools are working towards a shared music concert and we'd like to take 15-20 children to be part of this. In the first instance, we will offer this to Year 2 pupils and will offer places to Year 1 if we still have spaces. Children need to be prepared to perform in front of an audience at Collingwood School, with a rehearsal 4.45-5.45pm prior to the performance. Parents/Carers need to commit to both the rehearsal (drop off at Collingwood and school staff will supervise) and the performance,

when we hope you will come and be in the audience. Each school will sing 2 or 3 songs on their own, as well as sing as one big TAMAT choir.

Please email the school office to respond confirming attendance to both rehearsal and concert, if you would like your child to be part of this.

After school clubs – Choir and JamCoding

If your child is attending choir this half-term, payment can now be made via Parentmail/Payments/Shop. The cost for this half-term includes one free session to offset the cancelled session from last half-term.

JamCoding – unfortunately this club has been cancelled again this half-term following insufficient bookings. We are aware of the late cancellation by JamCoding both in January and again last weekend and have fed-back to them that we are not happy with the notice parents were given. It has been agreed that JamCoding will not return in the Summer Term and we will therefore be looking at alternative club provision for Mondays.

Family Learning Sessions

A PMX form was sent out on Wednesday this week to each class with information about the forthcoming sessions. Please complete this form so we know how many will be attending and can prepare for the sessions.

'People who help us' – volunteers needed!

Our Reception class are looking at 'People who help us' this term. If you have a job that fits this description, we'd love it if you could spare a small amount of your time to come into school to talk to the children about what it is you do. Uniforms and visual props/interaction even better to help keep the children's attention. Please contact the school office if you or a family member can help.

Parent/carer entitlements survey

Surrey County Council are asking parents/carers to take part in a survey. It is important as they wish to gather your views regarding early education and childcare for 0-4 year olds and also for out of school childcare provision for 5-11 year olds during school term time.

This will help them to make sure we have enough high-quality education and childcare and wraparound places for everyone that needs them. A PMX was sent today (Friday 21.02) with details and links to complete the survey.

Orchard Manor Care Home

Orchard Manor Care Home are running an Easter Egg Hunt, if you wish to attend please RSVP directly to the care home on 01276 903277 (so that they know how many eggs to provide).

Camberley Library survey

Please would you take a few minutes to complete the Surrey libraries survey below about book buying and borrowing habits. You will be entered into a prize draw to win one of six prizes including £100 shopping vouchers & £50 book tokens. Please complete survey by 29th February.

[Borrowing and buying books and e-books survey for library users \(shout.com\)](#)