

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Curriculum news

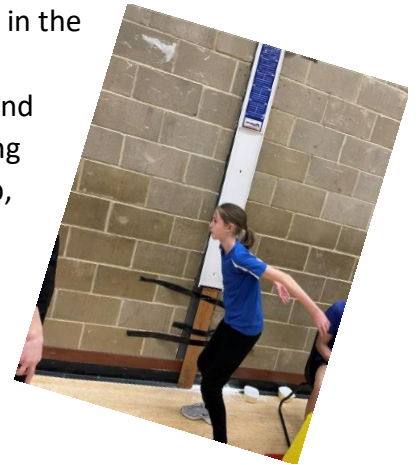
Home Learning

It has been fabulous to see some of the wonderful home learning that has been happening on Seesaw, from spellings, to reading and times tables. We hope that you have been encouraging your children to record their reading in the reading diaries to share with their teacher what they have been reading at home.

Athletics



On Thursday 2nd February, some Year 5 pupils competed in the Local Schools Sportshall athletics competition held at The Forest School. Our children showed true sportsmanship and resilience, improving on previous personal bests in running events including individual and relays, standing long jump, vertical jump, speed bounce, target throw, javelin and chest push. Nine schools competed in total and we finished 5th overall which is fantastic. There were some incredible individual performances from the team which contributed to our overall position. Well done to



all who competed. – Mrs Harman

Mentoring

Next week begins the mentoring sessions for children where they will have the opportunity to talk to their teacher about their progress and new targets.

To facilitate this the children will have sessions with the Brighton and Hove sports coaches, instead of the usual PE lessons (apart from swimming which will happen as usual). Please see the timetable below to find out when your child has coaching sessions and ensure that your child is wearing PE kit on that day.

Mon 6th Feb – Year 6

Tues 7th Feb – Year 3

Wed 8th Feb – Year 5

Thurs 9th Feb – Year 1

Fri 10th Feb – Year 4

Tues 21st Feb – Year 2

Wed 22nd Feb – Year 3 & Year 6

Thurs 23rd Feb – Year 2 & Year 1

Fri 24th Feb – Year 4 & Year 5

Parents evening

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Parent Consultation evenings on the 28th of February and 1st of March. Bookings open on the 11th of February. Further details can be found in a separate Parentmail.

Safeguarding

Next week we will be celebrating Internet Safety Day. For useful advice and information with any internet safety issues please follow this [link](#) where there is a wealth of information from UK Safer Internet Centre.

Hot Meal Ordering System

A reminder of the cut off dates for ordering your child's hot meal:

February Cut off Dates
Thursday 9/2 for w/c Monday 20/2
Thursday 16/2 for w/c Monday 27/2
Thursday 23/2 for w/c Monday 6/3

March Cut off Dates
Thursday 2/3 for w/c Monday 13/3
Thursday 9/3 for w/c Monday 20/3
Thursday 16/3 for w/c Monday 27/3

Picture News

This week's topic for discussion is 'Does the natural world have rights?' – see below.



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Does the natural world have rights?

In the news this week

Brazil's new president has said he aims to reduce deforestation and help protect the Amazon rainforest. In his first speech, Luiz Inácio da Silva (also known as Lula), promised to make climate protection a priority and explained he wanted to reach zero deforestation in the Amazon. Scientists often call the rainforest the 'lungs of the planet', because of the role it plays in absorbing carbon dioxide and producing oxygen, saying that preservation of the Amazon is vital to stopping climate change.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share what you know about the Amazon rainforest with others at home and talk with others about what they know.
- > Do you believe enough is being done to protect the Amazon rainforest? Do you think the natural habitats close to where you live are protected?
- > Whose responsibility do you consider it is to protect natural habitats?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Diary Dates (New dates added in bold)

Spring 2023	
Friday 10 th February	Forest School Roadshow to Year 5
Tuesday 7 th February	Eco Committee Clothes sale
Monday 13 th February-Friday 17 th	Half Term
Monday 20 th February	INSET Day- School closed for pupils
Tuesday 28 th February	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 1 st March	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 8 th March	Titanic Virtual Museum with Y4
Friday 3 rd March	Fire service to visit Y2
Wednesday 22 nd March	Y6 trip to Amberley Museum

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards,



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