

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

### Curriculum news

Reception children had great fun learning how to ride a balance bike this week with the Bikeability team. They had to show good listening skills and a growing coordination and balance, as well as how to stop themselves.



### Year 3 visit Butser farm



As part of their learning about Prehistoric Britain, Year 3 enjoyed a trip to Butser Ancient Farm. The children explored a variety of old buildings and took part in a variety of activities including jewellery making. *“We learnt how to make ancient jewellery and saw a sheep that was in Horrible Histories. It was the best day ever!” Bill (Robins)*

### House Cup

The first winner of the House Cup this week is Phoenix – well done!

Centaurs	Dragons	Phoenix	Unicorns
310	285	324	272



### Safeguarding

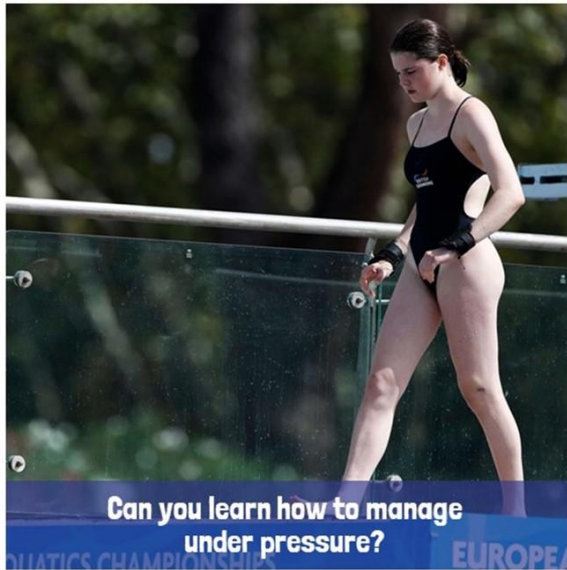
I am pleased to report that there has been a marked improvement in road safety this week following my article in last week’s newsletter. Thank you.

Emergency school closures – we always do our best to keep the school open whatever the circumstances. However, we have a plan in place should we need to close the school – please look out for a separate Parentmail with further information.

## Picture News

This week's topic for discussion is 'learning how to manage pressure' – see below.

# TAKEHOME



Can you learn how to manage under pressure?

## In the news this week

18-year-old Andrea Spendolini-Sirieix has been named as a BBC Young Sports Personality of the Year finalist. She is one-time National Champion, two-time Commonwealth Champion, and two-time European Champion across 10 metre diving and 10 metre synchronised diving. Skateboarder, Sky Brown, and gymnast, Jessica Gadirova, were nominated alongside Spendolini-Sirieix. Andrea is continuing with her A-Levels, attending school 3 days a week.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- What do you think Andrea is feeling as she prepares to dive?
- Can you think of a time when you felt under pressure? What happened and what helped you manage?
- Do you think some people are better at dealing with pressure than others?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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## New Hot Meal Ordering System

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

### January Cut off Dates

Thursday 19/1 for w/c Monday 30/1  
Thursday 26/1 for w/c Monday 6/2

### February Cut off Dates

Thursday 9/2 for w/c Monday 20/2  
Thursday 16/2 for w/c Monday 27/2

## Diary Dates (New dates added in bold)

Spring 2023	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Parent Workshop-Sensory Processing Differences
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Voices at the O2
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>FOH Book sale afterschool</b>
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>FOH Book sale afterschool</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Forest School Roadshow to Year 5
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February-Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET Day- School closed for pupils
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Parent Consultations</b>
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>Parent Consultations</b>
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	<b>Fire service to visit Y2</b>
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>Y6 trip to Amberley Museum</b>

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards,

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