Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Pupil achievements

This week we celebrate and congratulate the following children and their achievements;



Green Cards – Olivia Beckham, Jedediah Sambo, Jack Emmett, Sebbie Rose, Sofia Murariu, Tristan Miles (3R), Oscar Spooner, Max Mitchell, Ava Clough (3B)

Silver Merit – Isabella Pembroke (6K)

House Cup

The first winners of the House Cup this term are Phoenix, congratulations!

Centaurs	Dragons	Phoenix	Unicorns
109	106	124	107

Curriculum news

This week Year 5 enjoyed an enjoyable computing session with Mrs Hunt from Millais school as part of the Digital Schoolhouse project. They learnt about the 'comparison', 'if' and 'else' code blocks before making a game of rock-paper-scissors and then their own version inspired by Harry Potter, Marvel and Disney.



Online safety

Safer Internet Day (SID) is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people. The theme this year is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.

To celebrate and support this important campaign, the West Sussex Community Safety & Wellbeing Team are hosting a **FREE** webinar for communities on 23rd February 2022 13:00 – 15:00. The webinar will explore how children can create more positive relationships online, through being mindful of their own online behaviours. It will explain the potential risks of gaming and radicalisation and will give advice and resources on how to keep children safe online. To book a FREE place please click <u>here</u>.

Safeguarding

You may have noticed that we now have new car park and front entrance gates, which mean that the school site has enhanced security to ensure the safety of the children. The front gates have an intercom linked to the school office, which can be used to gain access to the site. There is also a high level button that will allow adults to exit.

A reminder that all gates are locked after drop-off (8:45am) and then opened again five minutes before pick-up times (2:55pm KS1 and 3:05pm KS2). Please ensure that children are dropped off and picked up promptly, as this can be a cause of anxiety for some children.

Census day

Thursday 20th January is Census Day. Part of the funding for the school is based on the number of KS1 children taking a hot meal on this day, so we encourage as many pupils as possible to try a hot meal. This term's Census menu is mac 'n 'cheese and chicken fillet sandwich with diced potatoes.

Diary Dates

Spring 2022		
Tuesday 18 th January	Y3 Indoor Athletics Festival	
Tuesday 1 st February	Y4 Indoor Athletics Festival	
Wednesday 9 th February	The Forest school visit Y5 pupils	
Monday 14 th February	Parent workshop (social/emotional development)	
21 st – 25 th February	HALF TERM	
Monday 28 th February	School closed for INSET day	
w/c Mon 7 th & Mon 14 th March	Parent Consultations	
Thursday 24 th March	Annual Governors' Day	
Friday 8 th April	Last day of the Spring term	

Have a lovely weekend. Kind regards,

Jan Du-P

Ian Holmes