

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Sports news

Children from year's 1 and 2 had a wonderful afternoon at The Bridge, taking part in multi sports activities organised by Collyers students. The children were able to have a go at creative games that included running, jumping, throwing, catching, team work and a bit of parachute fun too. Well done to Rayan who was awarded the Spirit of the game, for his teamwork skills and Eleanor for her effort and improved confidence over the afternoon.

Mrs Davies



Governors' Day

The Governing Board held their annual Governors' Day yesterday. This began with a presentation from the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors who explained their role and what they had achieved over the past couple of years. They were impressed with the children's learning, especially the Maths Fluency they saw in action in several classes. The Governors also drafted the next strategic plan to cover the next three years and this will be shared with parents next term as part of a consultation.

Thinking Garden News - Lots of thank yous!

Thank you to **County Tree Surgeons** who donated enough wood chip to cover the whole of the Thinking Garden path. On Tuesday, they delivered four truckloads. Children throughout the school helped scoop up the wood chips and place them on the pathway. The company's generous contribution means that the garden is now available for all children to use.

We'd also like to thank Mr Morris for donating wood chips and Arun's (Y5) grandad, Adrian and Tristan V's (Y6) mum for donating plants (and their labour) over the past couple of weeks. Finally, thank you to Mr Richardson for building a bird hide for the end of the garden.

Mrs Filson



Chess Tournaments

Well done to all 35 children who took part in the UK Chess Challenge, which involved seven rounds of matches against a different opponent each week. Both tournaments were very close and all children developed their game play as a result. The Year 3&4 winner was Luke Easter, with Oscar Spooner winning the Year 5&6 event. Runners up were Aubyn Latham-King and Tristan Page-Symeonidis/Muhammad Mubashar respectively.





New books

Thank you to the Reading Ambassadors and Eco Reps who helped run our very successful book sale on Monday, as well as everyone who came to buy books (and cakes). We raised £117 for new books for the library. *Mrs Reeves*

Holbrook Parents' workshop

Mrs Brooks will be running a FREE parent workshop on Wednesday 26th March from 8.50 - 9.30 am. It will be exploring how we can help children to manage their big emotions at home and include some information on the ways we support this in school. If you would like to attend, please email the office with WORKSHOP in the subject title.

Picture News

This week's topic for discussion is 'Do world leaders have a duty to help other countries?' – see below.

TAKEHOME 24th - 30th March



In the news this week

World leaders from around twenty countries are creating a group or 'coalition'. According to UK Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer, they will work together to support Ukraine. Their collective aim is to end the war between Ukraine and Russia. The new group setup follows a difficult meeting between Ukraine's President, Volodymyr Zelensky, and US President, Donald Trump. The two leaders argued, and the meeting ended without a solution.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your knowledge of world leaders and talk to others at home about theirs.
- > In your opinion, how important is it for world leaders to work together? In what areas do you think they need to work together?
- > What about their role in helping other countries – do you feel this is always important?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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CHARTWELLS ORDER CUT OFF DATES	
CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
10 th April	21 st April
17 th April	28 th April
24 th April	5 th May
1 st May	12 th May
8 th May	19 th May

Diary Dates (new additions in bold)	
Wednesday 26 th March	Parent Workshop- Helping your child manage big emotions.
Thursday 27 th March	Y4 Ukulele Concert
Tuesday 1 st April	Book Fayre
Friday 4 th April	Last day of term
Wednesday 7th April	Spring Concert
Tuesday 22 nd April	First day of Summer term
Mon 12th May	Y6 SATs Week
Wednesday 21st May	Class Photos
Friday 23rd May	INSET day- school closed to pupils

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



Ian Holmes
Headteacher

