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## *Newsletter 18 – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017*

'We set ourselves ambitious targets and dare to have big dreams.'



## **Curiosity Cat**

## **Diary Dates**

Year 5 Pedestrian Training
Lime Class Y3 Assembly
Isle of Wight Parents' Meeting
Break Up
World Book Day
Maple Class Y4 Assembly

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 1.30pm Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2:40pm Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2:40pm

No more INSET Days left for this academic year.

#### **Headteacher's News**

As you are all aware, we had Ofsted visit us this week. Can I just thank those of you who managed to contribute to Parent View as part of the process. The children were their usually well-behaved selves and we were very proud to show off the progress they have made this year with their Maths and Writing books. Thank you to Janet Hinchliffe and the rest of our governors who work tirelessly (and unpaid) to make sure that the school is run effectively. It is during these stressful times that we find out the true nature of the staff team. All I can say is that we are truly blessed with such a dedicated, passionate and, especially this week, resilient group of people who do a brilliant job with your precious children. Many of them stayed late or came in on their days off to add their support.

I'm off to the Black Mountains for a walk tomorrow so am hoping for another bright, clear day. Have a good weekend.

**Deborah Wood** 

### This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

Year R Cherry: Kane Year 1 Oak: Piper Year 2 Ash: Caitlyn Year 3 Lime: Harrison Year 4 Maple: Brooke

Year 4 Maple: Brooke Year 5 Sycamore: James Year 6 Cedar: Eliose



## **Attendance Total 96.1%**

YR Cherry 95.9% Y1 Oak 94.8% Y2 Ash 96.9% Y3 Lime 95.9%

Y4 Maple 96.4%

Y5 Sycamore 96.7%





## **Reading Certificates**

Reading 10: Emrys, Freya

Reading 20: Tyler, Evie, Ashley, Imogen, Megan, Chelsea-Jo



Alexandria, George, Mark, Aron, Sorayah, Finlay, Kian, Bence, Trenae



## Water Fountains are Up and Running!

We are delighted to be able to say that after being out of action for several years, and after rigorous testing of the quality of the water, all the water fountains in school are now up and running!

#### A BIG THANK YOU TO THE P.T.A.

The PTA have kindly agreed to pay for three new items for the school: some sensory equipment to furnish a new sensory room, a sand play therapy trolley and a whopping £2,000 towards new laptops for the school. The school is looking to overhaul the I.T. suite and replace all the desktops with



laptops. These can be used much more flexibly – in classrooms, in the hall and even outside. We are hoping that the School will now have enough money to buy these before the end of the financial year, without the PTAs help this would not have been feasible. We would like to say a huge thank you to all parents' efforts in attending events, helping out at events and running the PTA. All this support has a direct impact on the School and helps us provide a more engaging and stimulating learning environment. Thank you!

## **COURTNEY COMMUNITY**

# YOUR PTA NEEDS YOU



Do you have one hour to spare every couple of months?

Do you have any special skills that we can use?

We need your ideas for fundraising

The PTA supports the school in many ways:

Christmas parties and gifts for each class
The Caravan
New Laptops for the school
Discos – fun for the children and also raising money for the school
Money for each class for a school trip
New Playground equipment

We need as many volunteers as possible to continue the work that we do to benefit the children and the school

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

Please come along to the PTA coffee morning on Wednesday  $1^{st}$  February from 9.00 - 10.00 where you can meet the chair of the PTA and ask any question