

Coldfair Green Primary News

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Message from the Head

How lovely to have had so many of you join us for Mother's Day lunch this week. It was great for the children to have a chance to share their mealtime with you and the atmosphere in the dining room was lovely. A HUGE THANK YOU to Teresa and Lisa in the school kitchen and Amanda, Jo and Sarah in the school office for all their hard work and to Kate for organising the table decorations and napkins! Also many thanks to our mid-day supervisors Tess, Ros, Leigh-Anne, Emily and Cara who managed to re-lay tables between sittings so we could get an extra 95 mums in and all 127 of the children, as well as supervising the children outside. Thank you to the several staff members who joined in to support the mid-day staff too. What an excellent team approach and we are very grateful for all the extra effort put in by everybody. It was also World Book Day and again our parents have done us proud with the fantastic array of costumes in which the children (and some of you) arrived in. During the morning we had a chance to look at each other's costumes and had a super time sharing our books with each other during the afternoon during paired reading. A large number of children also spent the lunchtime re-enacting scenes from some of their favourite stories, really getting in to character.

Stars of the Week

This week our value has been BEHAVING WELL. Our pupils of the week for behaving well are Elsie in Oaks class, Bethany in Hawthorn class, Amelia in Rowan class, Harry in Chestnut class and Barney in Silver Birch class. Next week the value we will be considering in our assemblies and in lessons will be MAKING GOOD CHOICES. It is always useful when parents spend some time discussing the value with the children before the start of the week so they have ideas for sharing in Monday's assemblies. Many thanks to those of you who have been doing this!

PTA - Easter Event

The PTA will be holding an Easter event on 21.03.16. There will be a non-uniform day on Friday 18th March and we ask that children donate egg prizes for the Easter raffle. After school on 21.03.16 there will be an Easter egg hunt, raffle and the Easter Bunny will be somewhere in the grounds for the children's entertainment. There is a PTA meeting on 18.03.16 at the school at 2pm to finalise details of this event and share ideas and suggestions for the planning of events for the remainder of the school year. Please contact Kate Goddard via the school office if you would like to get involved or need further information.

Attendance

"Ten ticks for a ticket"

Our whole school attendance figure for the school year so far is 96.4%. The class with the best attendance this week was Hawthorn with 98.7%. Well done everyone.

Ten House Points

Well done to Amelia and Mollie who have achieved ten house points this week. Some children are well on their way to twenty-five house points and all of the children are really challenging themselves to do their very best and achieve as highly as they can.

Sport Relief Penny Shoe Boxes and Great British Bake Off - reminder

The School Council will be holding a Great British Bake Off Sport Relief showstopper competition, with the proceeds to Sports Relief on Monday 21st March. Cakes with a sporting theme should be handed in to the office on the morning of 21st March and they will be judged during the school day. Cakes will be sold after school on the playground. School Council members will also be collecting pennies in their shoeboxes on the playground during that week.

Outdoor Reading Spaces

We have been kindly offered pallets by Sizewell to build our outdoor reading seating areas which is a fantastic response in less than a week from our appeal going live. We are very grateful. We are now looking for a number of parents or grandparents who are handy with hammers and paintbrushes to help us construct the seating areas and decorate them ready for the children to use. If you feel your talents lie in this area, or know someone who might be willing to help, please do contact the school office on 01728 830649 or admin@coldfairgreen.suffolk.sch.uk . Thank you for your continued support.

Parents Evenings

We will be holding two parents evenings this half term. In response to the requests from parents last term to hold a later meeting the second of the parents' evenings will run between 5pm and 7pm. Please sign up on the clipboards in the playground. Mr Pritchard will talk in detail to Silver Birch parents about preparations for SATS and how the SATS this year have changed for their children. Due to the increased standard and level of challenge for this group of children and children's individual preparation needs we have taken the decision not to hold a separate meeting about SATS but to discuss specifics as part of individual meetings with Year 6 parents.

Bandanas for Brain Tumour Research Day

Staff have been supporting this event today as a cause close to our hearts. If you wish to make a donation please feel free to do so via the school office. Thank you.

Diary Dates

- 08.03.16 Parents' Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm
- 14.03.16 - 18.03.16 Autism Awareness Week
- 15.03.16 Parents' Evening 5pm - 7pm
- 16.03.16 Community Dentist in School (R-Year 4)
- 16.03.16 Chestnut Class - Step Dancing at Snape Maltings
- 21.03.16 Sport Relief Showstopper Bake Off and cake sale
- 21.03.16 Easter Event after school hosted by the PTA
- 23.03.16 Charlie and The Chocolate Factory visit - KS2