

Coldfair Green Primary News

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Message from the Head

We have had no internet this week and it will not be up and running again until the end of the first week back after half term. This is because we are in the process of changing internet service provider and we are awaiting confirmation that all necessary firewalls are in place to ensure online safety and security of all children and their data. With this in mind please be aware that we will be unable to send parent texts or respond to email requests during working hours. Mrs Fewkes is able to access school emails from off site and will be keeping on top of these during the evening, but the fastest way to get hold of us during the school day continues to be by telephone at this point in time.

Our website is currently being rebuilt by our ICT Technician Mr Waters. He is working hard off site to ensure all documentation is easily accessible and that links to pages, both statutory and non-statutory are working properly. The children's class pages are now in the form of blogs that your child's teacher will be adding to regularly once the new website is up and running.

A big thank you to Munchy Seeds, who have generously donated tubs of savoury seed snacks. These will be on sale alongside 'Friday Tuck' with the proceeds going towards developing the Early Years Outside area.

Miss Porter and her team have been hard at work this week drawing up plans for the redevelopment of the outdoor learning environment outside the Oaks and Sandlings classrooms. The plans were presented to the Governors and the PTA this week and will be on display at the front of school shortly. This will give you, as parents, the opportunity to contribute ideas and suggestions. There will also be an invitation to come and help dig, paint and prepare the area for redevelopment as the project progresses. The PTA has offered to donate the cost of the Perspex Painting Wall which you will see on the plans. If you know of a local business who would like to sponsor any part of the project please do talk to us. Thank you for all your support.

Stars of the Week

This week our value has been TRUTHFULNESS. Our pupils of the week for being truthful and honest are Johnstone in Oaks class, Lily in Hawthorn class, Esme in Rowan class, Jack in Chestnut class and Dexter in Silver Birch class. We have been thinking about events in the news this week and considered the British Value of 'Respect' and discussing what happens to our rubbish? and the children have had some very insightful comments to make. Children have shared their views and ideas on post-it notes and in assembly. After half term the value we will be considering in our assemblies and in lessons will be RESPONSIBILITY.

In the Community

We are still collecting postage stamps and used ink cartridges from computer printers and a box is now in Reception for Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. Comic Relief Red Noses are still available from the office at a cost of £1 whilst stocks last.

Attendance

"Ten ticks for a ticket"

Our whole school attendance figure for the year so far is 95.85% and for the week is 93.23%.

The class with the best attendance this week was Silver Birch with 98.33%.

Good Behaviour Awards

Georgia, James, Taylor and Lily have gone on to Gold on the behaviour chart this week for always participating in lessons and for excellent work and concentration and James has achieved ten out of ten for his spellings five times in a row. Well done to you all.

House Points

Ten house points were awarded to the following children this week: Sofia, Cooper and Noah.

The following child has received **twenty - five house points**: Georgia. A number of children have now achieved their **fifty house point** certificates: Jack, Emily and Georgina. Our new **seventy-five house point** certificates have been printed this week and the first ones have been awarded to: Amelia, Lexi, Tommy and Daniel. It is good to see how hard everyone has been working to gain these awards. Keep up the good work everyone.

Digital Leaders

Our Year 5 and 6 Digital Leaders have been busy this week interviewing new recruits. This is the time of Year when our Year 6's step down from their responsibilities to concentrate more fully on their preparation for high school and opportunities arise for children further down the school. Children had clearly prepared well for their interviews and Georgina, Katie, Maddie and Georgia join our existing Digital Leaders Bethany, Amelia and Georgia, forming our new team.

56 and 56+ Club

Being proficient in our times tables is one of the best ways to demystify maths, making it quicker and easier to spot patterns and problem solve. To become a member of 56 club children need to be able to solve sixteen times tables' calculations in 70 seconds and to become a member of the 56+ club children have to solve sixteen multiplication and divisions questions in seventy seconds. The following children achieved membership of the 56 club this week: Amelia, Harry, Daniel and Finley. These children also joined the 56+ club: Florence, Freddie, Freddie, Cameron.

Random Acts of Kindness

We have introduced a new award this week as we wanted to recognise the kind and caring ways in which children treat each other at the school, expecting nothing in return. I have been so impressed on many occasions by the small things children do to support and care for each other. Small acts of kindness can really make a difference to our relationships with each other and they are often the basis of making new friendships.

Diary Dates

HALF TERM - 13/02/17 - 17/02/17

22.02.17 Parents Evening 5.30 - 7.30 pm

28.02.17 English Writing Event at Saxmundham Free School - Marvel Comics - Year 4 and 5.

28.02.17 Parents Evening 3.30 - 5.30 pm

01.03.17 Taster Violin Sessions Year 2

25.03.17 Mother's Day afternoon tea - book via school office