

Coldfair Green Primary News

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Message from the Head

This week Years 3 and 4 visited BT at Martlesham Heath to develop their computational thinking skills. They had a great day and learnt about all sorts of roles and careers in which computing skills would be useful. They enjoyed finding out about the roles of computer designers and builders, programmers and about using different software packages and the jobs of people who develop these. They found out about debugging computers and how to correct mistakes made by computer programmers. They also used their coding skills to become programmers themselves during the day. This work builds on computing work done at school and also feeds in to the work we are currently doing on raising aspirations and finding out more about the sorts of jobs and careers that are available in the local area for our children as they grow up and leave school.

Stars of the Week

This week our value has been KNOWING RIGHT FROM WRONG. Our pupils of the week for knowing the difference between right and wrong and displaying behaviour that demonstrates this are Leni in Oaks class, Michael in Cherry class, Betty-Mae in Hawthorn class, Louis in Rowan class, Jack in Chestnut class, Daniel in Silver Birch class and Bethany in Redwood class. Our focus on British Values this week has been 'Individual Liberty' and we have talked about how we all go through a series of tests and challenges during the course of our lives and how it may sometimes be tempting to take the easy route and copy someone else's work or find another dishonest short cut. We considered how when we choose to do this we are letting ourselves down as it means we don't give ourselves the chance to prove what we really know. We also cheat those who are working fairly and honestly. We thought about the question, "Why do some people cheat?" Next week the value we will be focusing on is VALUING OTHERS.

Attendance

"Ten ticks for a ticket" Our whole school attendance figure for the year so far is 94.5% and for this week is 94.8 %. We are aiming high and want our whole school figure to be as close to 100% as possible. The class with the best attendance this week is, Cherry with 98.7%. *Two weeks missed a year (the amount of time taken on average for a holiday) for every year during primary school is like missing nine months of a child's primary education and this is the most important time for embedding learning needed for future success as adults.*

House Points

The following children have gained **twenty five house point certificates this week**: Thomas W, Lily W, Willow, Katie W, Chloe, Amelia S, Joseph and Lexi. **Silver Behaviour for Learning Certificates** go to Ellie-Mae, Bettymae, Alice, Sofia N, Freddie, Hannah, B, Lucas, Albert, Alex, Abigail, Mollie, Lily C and Digby. **Golden Behaviour for Learning Certificates** go to Katie W, Amelie and Isla. **Certificate of Merit** has been awarded to Warren for completion of Beat Dyslexia Book 2.

House	Points so far
Red - Mars	655
Yellow - Saturn	804
Green - Earth	888
Blue - Neptune	749

Random Acts of Kindness Awards. The certificates tell the stories of the kind things our children have done to support others, both within the school and outside in the community. Well done everyone. You should be very proud of yourselves.

Dates for your Diary

25.01.18 Dental Screening Years R - 4

25.01.18 Athletics Tournament- Year 5

26.01.18 RE Day

30.01.18 Short Reports Parents' Evening 5-7pm

01.02.18 Harry Potter Book Night - Saxmundham Free School 4.15-5.30pm

05.02.18 Parents' Evenings 3.30-5pm (EYFS 1-5pm)

06.02.18 Violins concert 3.15pm

07.02.18 Full Governing Body Meeting 6pm

08.02.18 Disco

12.02.18 - 16.02.18 HALF TERM