



Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome back to school after the Easter holidays. I hope you all enjoyed some of the sunshine we had.

Following on from my letter earlier in the week, I am currently updating the home school agreement and have asked the children for their thoughts on what should be included. I hope to have a new copy with you by the end of next week.

Achievements

Star of the week

To be announced in assembly on Monday and in next week's newsletter

The children raised **£524.50 for Sports Relief** last term by doing a mile around the school field. It was a lovely event and the money raised will support lots of children and families in this country and abroad. Well done to everyone involved.

If you haven't yet handed in your money, please do so early next week.

Special mentions go to **Lila Gumble** who raised the most money in the school, and **Sofia Sullivan** who raised £100. Well done girls, great effort.

News

Forensic Science Day

Yesterday we had a specialist in who ran a Forensic Science workshop with each class. During the workshop the children learnt about DNA, finger prints, footprints and collecting evidence. They had such a great time and had to solve a crime with science to establish who the suspect was. It was great to see every child engaged and learning something new.



Netball Tournament

The netball team played at St Martins on Tuesday. They played 4 matches. The first was against St Josephs, they won this game 3-2. They played 3 other games but unfortunately they lost these matches. The girls really enjoyed themselves and liked playing and cheering on other teams. We are very proud of them!

Information

Mrs Goddard

Mrs Goddard has made a decision to focus on her SENCO role from September and will no longer be the EYFS teacher. She will continue to work in our school and be very much part of everything, but will not be a class based teacher. The SENCO role has grown in the time she has been at Mountnessing and she is looking forward to dedicating more time to it. We are currently advertising for an outstanding EYFS teacher and KS1 leader to take over her other position. The deadline for applications is next Wednesday, so we will ensure you know who will be taking over as soon as possible. Mrs Goddard will continue to teach Acorn class until the end of this school year.

School Menu

Please check the school menu carefully as there has been some changes in response to the suggestions made at parents evening. I am looking forward to trying some of the new meals on offer!

Christian Value

Our new Christian Value for this term is Creativity. The home school value sheet is attached and the whole school homework will be sent next week. Please spend some time with your child looking at this value at home and doing some of the activities on the information sheet. Anything you do or make at home can be brought in and shared with the class and Mrs Obank.

Attendance

We will report each class attendance totals. We are aiming for 97% attendance in each class, each week.

Acorn Class: 100%

Chestnut Class: 97.1%

Willow Class: 94.2%

Oak Class: 97.1%

Dates for the Diary

18th April - 3.15pm Year 6 assessment meeting for parents

21st April - 2.30pm - Parents to come and watch.

9th May - Year 6 assessment week and Bikeability