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Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Reusing Plastic

During Monday's assembly, two pupils shared how they have made an eco-brick. After sharing with us how this was made, the school is happy to take up the challenge for all pupils to make an eco-brick by the start of term 6. We will then use these bricks to build something within the school grounds. Next week, via the newsletter, we will share a photograph and the details of how to make an eco-brick using plastic.

As a reminder, we are still collecting plastic lids and bottle tops in the hope of starting our art project in the summer term so do keep them coming in please!



Governing Body

Our Governing Body is currently looking for a new member to join as a co-opted governor; a person appointed by the governing body and who, in the opinion of the governing body, has the skills required to contribute to the effective governance and success of the school. However, the appointed person cannot be a parent of a pupil at the school as we currently have all parent governor posts filled. The skills required that the governing body would like to tap into are for personnel. Therefore, if anybody knows of someone that might be interested then please do ask them to make contact with the school.



Pupil Conferencing - Juniors

This week we held our pupil conferencing meetings amongst the junior classes. The respective teachers are released from their class responsibilities for the day in order to meet with you the parent, alongside your child, to discuss successes and next steps. From the feedback that I receive I know that these sessions are appreciated and valued. The take-up data for all sessions this week are as follows :

Class	% of parental appointments arranged	% of appointments attended
Year 3 Venus	97%	91%
Year 4 Neptune	77%	71%
Year 5 Saturn	94%	94%
Year 6 Jupiter	ongoing at time of writing	ongoing at the time of writing

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Parent Evenings

This week we also held our Infant and Early Years parent meetings. Take-up data for the KS1 sessions was:

Class	% of parental appointments arranged	% of appointments attended
Year R Earth	93%	93%
Year 1 Mercury	90%	70%
Year 2 Mars	97%	91%

It is obviously disappointing that when appointments are made that the time is not used efficiently. However, the overall attendance has been high and the appointments will support your child in their next steps, which is the main purpose of enabling these joint discussions.

Thank you for your support with all sessions. I know the staff will be pleased that it is the weekend now as we have had a busy few weeks here in school!

General Reminders for Next Week



Recycle With Michael

From Monday onwards, you are welcome to return to school the Recycle With Michael bags which are hopefully in the process of being filled with clothes and shoes that have been outgrown and are no longer needed. The bags are being collected on Friday 29th March, so please do bring them in by Friday morning at the latest.

Mums Day

The deadline for requesting a session to come in to school on Mum's Day and visit your child in class is Monday afternoon at 3.15pm. Please note that requests received after this time cannot be fulfilled, and allocated sessions will be announced the following day, Tuesday 26th March.

Mothers Day Flower Pot

The PTFA soon need to finalise numbers of those children wishing to decorate a flower pot for Mum or a loved one next week, to be sent home with children on **Friday 29th March in time for Mother's Day. This is taking place during the school day on Thursday 28th** and so please make sure you have paid £1.50 to the school office by the end of the day on Wednesday if you would like your child to take part.



Website

The Special Days page has been updated on the school website - please do have a look. The calendar has also been updated to help enable you to plan ahead around the busy school year.

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The school office has also updated the webpage relating to transition to secondary school in September 2020. This may seem a long way off but schools are already announcing the dates for their Open Events. This relates to current Year 5 pupils. We will update this as more dates and information is provided by the various schools in and around the local area that you may wish to consider for your child.

Voice In A Million

On Thursday of this week, 23 children travelled by coach to the SSE Arena in Wembley for Voice In A Million. The 2019 performance marked the 10th anniversary of this amazing annual **event which is attended each year by 10,000 school children alongside some of the UK's most talented young singers.**

The children had a fantastic time and were all very well behaved. Thank you also to the parents who came along and supported them; a good time was had by all (and a late night too!)

- Mrs B van Rensburg, Year 3 teacher



More photos have been uploaded to the school website so please do have a look!



Forest School Allotment area - update

We are very excited about the development of our new on-site allotment. The beds are almost ready, fence posts are in, and chicken wire is soon to be wrapped around them to keep our rabbit friends from munching all of our produce.

Years 1 to 6 will manage their own plot. We will also be sowing/planting pollinating wild flowers. Therefore, if you have any separate varieties to donate then we would be really grateful for them. Thank you, we will keep you posted!

- Mrs Bell, class teacher of Forest School

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PTFA Corner

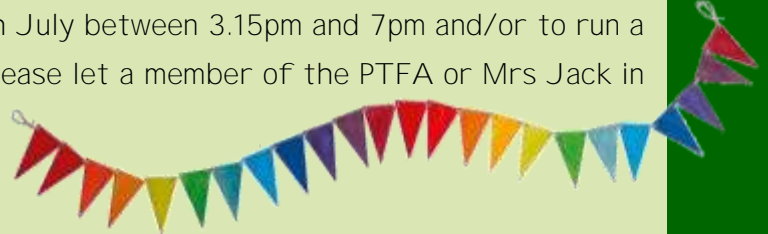
Mothers Day



If you haven't already done so and your child would like to take part, please do send in the money for the PTFA's Mothers Day scheme this year as soon as possible so that they can accurately work out the number of pots and plants to purchase to avoid wastage of money and/or products. This is a lovely opportunity for your child to decorate a little pot for Mum or a loved one, bringing it home from school with them on Friday 29th March.

Can you help at our Summer Fair? We are busy organising our Summer Fair and are still in need of volunteers to help set up on Friday 5th July between 3.15pm and 7pm and/or to run a stall for an hour on the day. If you can help, please let a member of the PTFA or Mrs Jack in the school office know.

Other upcoming PTFA events for your diary:



6th June, 3.15pm - Outdoor Disco

21st June - first non uniform day to support the Summer Fair. Please bring in a jar filled with anything you like, this can be sweeties, hair bands, pencils, mini rolls etc..

5th July - second non uniform day to support the Summer Fair. KS1 pupils, please bring in cake(s) for the cake stall. KS2 pupils, please bring in bottles for the bottle tombola.

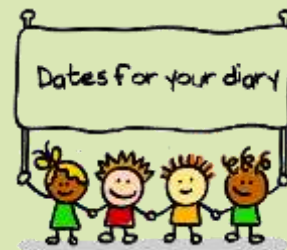
6th July - Summer Fair

14th/15th September - Welcome Back Camping

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year!

Diary Dates

26th March	Year 5 - Medieval drama workshop
26th March	Parent SEND forum 9.15am-11.15am
27th March	Parent SEND forum 1.15pm-3.15pm
27th March	PTFA Bingo Event, 7pm to 10pm in school hall
25th-28th March	Return filled Recycle With Michael bags to school
28th March	Year 2 - share in pupil's learning, 2.30pm
28th March	Drop In Thursday
29th March	Mum's Day
4th April	Year 5 - share in pupil's learning, 2.30pm



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4th April	PTFA Easter Egg hunt at 3.15pm
5th April	Last day of Term 4
22nd April	Bank holiday
23rd April	Back to school, Term 5
26th April	Year 6 Residential meeting for parents, 3.30pm
9th May	Drop In Thursday
13th-16th May	Year 6 SATs
17th May	Teddy Bear Picnic

Have a good weekend everyone, and rest. We only have two weeks of this term remaining, but children are expected to work hard towards their targets over this time following a **weekend's rest!**

Miss Terry
Headteacher

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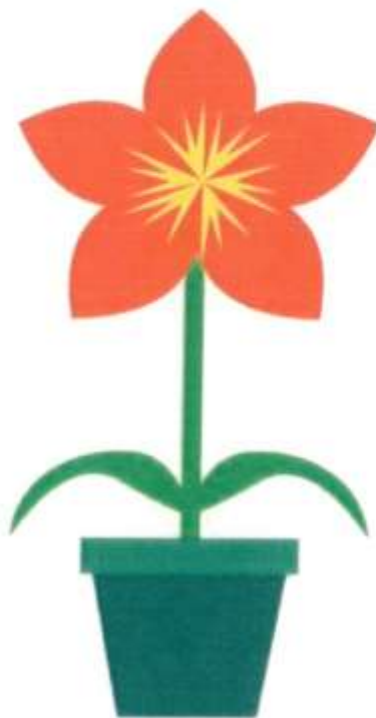
A Mother's Day Gift

decorate a flower pot to take home

Thursday 28th March (at school)

To come home with child on Friday 29th March with potted flower

£1.50 per child



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Please can I have tickets

Child's name/s and class

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Please find enclosed £.....

Please return to school office

Tickets: £6 per person (includes fish and chips)

bingo cards can be purchased on night

CASH PRIZES!

BINGO

MARCH 27TH

7-10pm Sutton Valence School hall

bring a bottle!

Please can I have tickets

Name:

Childs name and class/.....

Please find enclosed: £.....

Please hand into office or PTA letterbox

(Deadline for tickets 22nd March)

THURSDAY
4th APRIL

3.15pm school field



Easter
EGG HUNT

Tickets £2 (includes chocolate egg)

Please can I have tickets

Child's name/s and class/.....

Siblings who do not attend the school are welcome to buy tickets

Please find enclosed: £.....

Please post in the PTA letterbox or office by 1st April

Please advise if your child has any dietary requirements/ allergies

RECYCLE WITH MICHAEL

- 1 DONATE YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHING & SHOES
- 2 RAISE MONEY FOR CHARITY
- 3 RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR SCHOOL



BE PART OF SOMETHING GREAT
www.recyclewithmichael.co.uk