

17 May 2019 WEEKLY UPDATE



This week: Wow—what a lovely **Healthy Living Week**, packed with activities and discussion about good things for both a healthy mind and healthy body.

- Children chose fillings for **sandwiches** and constructed **fruit kebabs** (charting the popularity of each in maths and writing), and danced with Mrs Butler round the **Maypole**. All Stars **Cricketers** came in for ball skills sessions and we all went **orienteering** on Fanny Shaw's field. We did mindful and calming **pebble painting** for our RHS Chatsworth planter display, and, in the fifth phase of our **Sense of Adventure** project, we made lovely, sweet smelling lavender bags.

Wirksworth Wonders: Ash: Melisa for her super writing and spelling, Alaa who named all the colours on the Hungry Caterpillar fruit kebabs and numbered the legs, and Isaac, who has shown amazing compassion towards other members of the class; **Beech:** Millie for super paired writing about *The Little Green Monster*, Thea-Beth for brilliant contributions to our poster and discussions about plastic pollution, and Isaac for good work in maths learning about money;

Sycamore: Astrid for her wonderful picture inspired by Wagner's opera *Ride of the Valkyries*, Francesca for super understanding of how parables from the Bible relate to life today, and Bea for great working with money in our shop;

Hawthorn: Millie for her smashing pictogram of our favourite fruits, Joseph for joining in with all of the activities, and Sophia, who has worked really hard in Active Maths, listening well and always enthusiastic. **Oak:** Mason for tasting new foods and designing and making a fab fruit kebab, and Bailey for designing a lovely fruit kebab and for being such a helpful fruit 'chopper-upper!'

Change to SENDCo arrangements

We are sad to pass on news that Claire Butler will leave us as SENDCo at the end of the academic year. Her year-long contract comes to an end and she has decided to not continue in post but to dedicate more time to pursuing her other interests.

From Sept 2019, Head teacher Jo Poyser will pick up the role of SENDCo across the Federation.

A full staff list can be found in your Home-School link book. Please always go to your class teacher in the first instance if you have any concerns or enquiries about your child at school. Thank you.

Coming up: (week ending 24 May)

- **20-23 May: Well Dressing Week**—we need curly parsley, spurge, and any red-petalled flowers. Could you bring in any of these?
- **Tues 21:** Beech class swim
 - **Stay and Play**, toy library 9.30-11.30am
 - **After school:** Maypole & Debi Dance clubs
- **Weds 22:** After school: Gardening Club
- **Thur 23: Drumming Workshop**—see below
 - **After school:** Drama & Football
 - **Family Bingo**—Bring your whole clan and join us at 6pm in **WI school hall**. Eyes down 6.30pm. Lots of fun and lots of prizes!
- **Fri 24:** Celebration Assemblies 9.10am
 - School closes for half term 3.15pm.

Drumming Workshops—Thurs 22 May

We're very excited to be hosting a day of drumming with the *East Midlands Caribbean Carnival Network* and *BabyPeople*, music development specialists, who are working in partnership with *Altitude* and *Wirksworth Festival*. All children will have a go next week—and you're invited to a **FREE** family drop-in session at The Maltings (Parish Rooms), 9-1pm, Sun 26 May. See the flier for details. Sounds great!

Messages: Making Tracks Chatsworth family walk

Sun 19 May. Meet between 10 and 11am near the Chatsworth farmyard entrance to collect your pack. NB: Usual parking charges apply in main car park.

☆ Take an afternoon picnic to **Stoney Wood** on Sun 19 where there'll be activities and family fun. 2-4pm

☆ If you'd like new **school uniform** for next term, ask for a form. Mrs Haynes will place an order in the first week back. Alternatively, you can order online at www.myclothing.com and earn cash for school, too!

☆ Huge thanks to our PTFA, which has funded lots of lovely **new science resources** for use at both schools.

☆ There are lots of spaces on our library shelves... Please return all **borrowed school library books** on Monday so we can do a stock-take. Thank you.

☆ Our **Maypole After School** group will perform at 12.30pm on Sat 25 May in St Mary's Churchyard.