

# Newsletter

**Week 1 Summer 2 2019**



**Holtsmere End Infant and Nursery School**

Dear Parents,

## **Reception**

Chestnut and Maple classes will be holding a 'Stay and Play' session next week on Thursday 13th June between 10.15 and 11am. This will give parents and carers an opportunity to see the benefits of outdoor play and how to join in and extend their child's play. We recently received our Gold Early Years Quality Mark as we had an increased focus on our outdoor provision.

## **Nursery**

The staff are busy planning and preparing their trip to Wendover Woods on Thursday 20th June. They need a few more volunteers to accompany them on the trip so if you have the time and would like a lovely day out please see a member of the Nursery staff.

## **Phonics Screening Check**

Children in Year 1 will be taking part in the Phonics Screening Check next week. They are unaware of this to avoid any stress or anxiety and they are used to reading words with the staff already so the check will be no different. Please ensure that they are in school next week unless they are ill.

## **Governors**

As I mentioned previously we do have a vacancy for a Parent Governor and the deadline for nominations is next Friday 14th June. If you have any questions about this worthwhile and rewarding opportunity please do not hesitate to contact me.

## **Woodland Area**

Over the Summer holidays we are planning to rejuvenate our woodland area by creating paths, a story circle and a fire pit. Mrs Smart one of Nursery Nurses will be taking part in Forest Schools training in July and we hope that in September we will be able to give all of the children in the school the Forest Schools experience.

If you work for a company or know of anyone who would be able to 'donate' some bark chippings for our path please let me know. Many thanks.

## **School lunches**

The children are enjoying the increased choice of sandwich fillings and there has been a slight increase in the number of children taking school lunches.

A big thank you to all of the children and parents who donated to our BookTrust Pyjamarama event today. We raised £146! Thank you.

I hope that you all have a fantastic weekend.

**Mrs O'Connell Head teacher**

**Happy Learners. Aiming High.**

## **Upcoming Dates**

**Monday 10th June—Phonics Screening Week**

**Thursday 13th June 10.15-11 Reception Stay and Play**

**Friday 14th Parent Governor nomination deadline**

**Monday 17th June 6-7.30 Reception Starting School workshop**

**Thursday 20th June—Nursery Trip**

**Thursday 20th June—New to Nursery Meeting 10am**

**Friday 21st June – 9-10:30 Reception starting School workshop**



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## Stars of the week

<b>Maple</b>	<b>Chestnut</b>	<b>Oak</b>
Enzo and Emily	Oliver and Lara	Leurent and George
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Pine</b>	<b>Beech</b>
Ella and Jack	Samuel and Jean-Baptiste	Oliver P and Corey
<b>Willow</b>	Antonia and Serena	

## Star Writers

<b>Maple</b>	<b>Chestnut</b>	<b>Oak</b>
Reggie	Ohgosa	Cameron
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Pine</b>	<b>Beech</b>
Josh	Ava S	Chloe

 #hotchocfriday—joining Mrs O’Connell for hot chocolate on Friday to celebrate good behaviour at lunchtime— Ami, LJ, Lennie, Vanesa, Samuel, Dina

## Attendance—Week beginning 20th May

<b>Maple</b>	<b>Chestnut</b>	<b>Oak</b>
<b>95.5%</b>	95.48%	<b>97%</b>
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Pine</b>	<b>Beech</b>
85.17%	94.19%	<b>97%</b>

388 sessions were lost this term due to Chicken Pox!

Well done to Maple, Oak and Beech classes, exceeding 96%

Please remember Every day counts.

