



# Weekly Newsletter

20 June 2019

*Making learning an adventure*

**Our school value for this half-term is happiness.**

Dear Parents/Carers

Our newsletter is published a day early this week as the school is closed tomorrow (21 June 2019) for staff training. We do hope this has not caused inconvenience to school families and that you have been able to benefit from a bonus long weekend in one way or another!

The children and staff in Year 1 enjoyed an excellent visit to Woburn Safari Park on Tuesday this week to support their learning in their topic *Carnival of the Animals* and our Year 6 pupils enjoyed the second of 2 robotics workshops. I look forward to learning the results of the Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket festival that took place today.

It was also terrific to meet the majority of the parents of our new Reception pupils (starting in September 2019) at our information meeting last night. This precedes the first of their transition visits which take place next Thursday and Friday afternoons, when new pupils and a parent are invited to *stay and play!* Any parents who were unable to attend the session can view the presentation slides on the new [parents' page](#) of our website.

Parents can also view a new guide to setting internet controls at home on our [internet safety page](#).

I do hope you have enjoyed the rather innovative planter that appeared after gardening club this week. It made us all smile! I wonder what the dog's thinking..?

Yours faithfully

**Jonathan Walker**  
**Headteacher**

## FoHBS News

The last FoHBS event of the year is the Ball taking place tomorrow night. We will be sending out details of money raised and what it's been spent on before the year ends. Until then, thanks so much for everything everyone!

Thank you so much to all the wonderful parents, staff and family members who have purchased raffle tickets at sports day and the fair.



As well as the main raffle, there will be a number of items that will be auctioned live on the night of the ball next week 21 June. Please look out for the sales brochure sent earlier this week by email. In addition to the attached auction items we have also had one last minute fantastic prize donated for auction:

A one week stay in a beautiful, centrally located house in Salcombe, Devon the week of the Regatta, 2nd to 9th August. Max 8 people - T&C's apply as per the holiday rental agreement.

[www.porchhousesalcombe.co.uk](http://www.porchhousesalcombe.co.uk) [www.salcombe-regatta.co.uk](http://www.salcombe-regatta.co.uk)

This is normally in the region of £2500 for this very popular week but we will accept bids from £300. Funds raised for all of the auction items go directly to FoHBS so this is a brilliant opportunity that also raises money for your child's school.

If you wish to place a bid on any item, even if you aren't attending the ball, please contact me via the school office and I can arrange for your bid to be submitted on the night.

Thanks again for your support of FoHBS and good luck in the raffle!

## Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the following children for their achievements this week

- **Reception Oak Class** Lucas – for showing a good attitude to learning  
Leo – for having such a positive week and showing a good Growth Mindset
- **Reception Chestnut Class** Megan – for making everyone smile and happy  
Logan – for working to improve her handwriting  
Joseph – for always putting lots of effort into his work
- **Year 1 Elm Class** Oliver – for showing enthusiasm for our topic and sharing lots of fascinating facts
- **Year 1 Cedar Class** Olivia – for always putting lots of effort into her English writing  
Macy – for settling in so well during her first week at school
- **Year 2 Hazel Class** Lewis – for enjoying his learning and always pushing himself  
Isla – for showing the value of happiness and always being a kind friend
- **Year 2 Willow Class** Kirsty – for working hard in all areas  
Peter – for aiming high and showing positivity
- **Year 3 Birch Class** Rosie – for always challenging herself in every lesson  
Thomas – for having a positive approach towards his learning
- **Year 3 Redwood Class** Anish – for showing great resilience and persevering at swimming this week  
Shannon - for showing great resilience and persevering at swimming this week
- **Year 4 Maple Class** Aiden – for being a kind and inclusive member of Maple  
Max – for an excellent attitude in Maths
- **Year 4 Pine Class** Violet – for continuing to give one hundred percent in all of her work  
Arjun – for settling in well and being a happy and cheerful member of Pine Class
- **Year 5 Ash Class** Abigail – for trying hard to complete the symmetry work in Maths  
Sam C – for happily getting involved and contributing in every lesson
- **Year 5 Hawthorn Class** Clara – for enjoying her learning and being a good role model to others  
Izzy – for showing concentration in all subjects
- **Year 6 Sycamore Class** Joshua – for happily helping with the computer during play rehearsals  
Zachary – for working hard to up level his writing

## Further Information and Reminders

**Attendance** No class reached 100% this week.

### Communication

Please remember to state the name of your child and class when communicating with school. Especially in emails.

## Diary Dates

- Friday 21st June – INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June – FoHBS Summer Ball
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – KS2 Athletics Tournament – After school
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Maple Class Assembly – 9am
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Reserve date for KS2 Athletics Tournament
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Hawthorn Class Assembly – 9am
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Maple class drumming performance 2.45pm. PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Ash Class Assembly - 9am
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July – LAST WEEK OF CLUBS
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July – No Karate Club
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July –Transition Day
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Pupil reports sent home
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July, 6:30pm – Year 6 Production. PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Volunteers Tea Party – 3.15pm
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 BBQ – Evening
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – High Beeches Got Talent
- Friday 19 July – Science Fair Entries into school (see separate letter)
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2:45pm – Classrooms open for Science Fair
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July – End of Term – **2pm**

ADVANCE NOTICE (How's this for planning?!)

*Our Christmas Carol Services this year will both take place on the same evening. This is principally due to availability of the church, but it will also contribute to staff well-being at probably the busiest time of year, by reducing the number of evenings we are asking staff to work. We hope that by giving advance notice, parents will be able to make arrangements to be there if at all possible.*

- Wednesday 11 December, 5pm – Red and Yellow Houses
- Wednesday 11 December, 6:30pm – Blue and Green Houses