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# BURGUNDY BROADCAST

## School News.....

### Sport Relief

What fun we had at our Sport Relief assembly this morning. The pupils all practiced during the week their skills on our ActivWall and came into their own during our 'Bleep Off' competition. Well done to Lauren T who scored the highest. Congratulations to the following pupils who represented their class in the "beat-off"; Robbie W, Henry T, William H, Harrison H, Thomas G, Sofia L, Thandiwe M, Giacomo S, Lauren T, Yingli T, Joshua McG, Marley M. An amount of £372.50 was raised from your kind donations, which will be sent to Sports Relief next week. Thank you to the Friends Association for buying the ActivWalls, they have been a great addition to our school.



### Netball Match

On Thursday, the Year 5/6 netball team played a match against Dunmow St Mary's. For most of the girls, this was their very first competitive game and they all put in a fantastic performance and worked incredibly well as a team. With some brilliant shooting, they managed to score an impressive 9 goals in the first half without conceding. The second half brought a change in players with some very tall shooters from the opposition with a final victory of 9-3. This first match has prepared them excellently for their tournament next week. Well done girls.

### Reminders....

Non-Pupil Days 2019/20 –  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020,  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020,  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March –  
Parents Evening 4:30-8pm –  
**CANCELLED CLUBS** –  
Sewing Club, Construction  
Club, Computing Club

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March –  
Parents Evening 3:30-6pm

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March –  
Ash Tree Assembly

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March –  
Willow Tree Assembly

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April –  
EYFS, KS1 Disco 3:30-  
4:30pm KS2 Disco 4:45-  
5:45pm

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Year 4  
Residential Meeting 3:30pm

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Fir  
Tree Assembly 9am

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Break up  
for Easter

## Cross Country

Our KS2 cross country runners participated in the second round of the tournament at Carver Barracks today with several teams and individual runners taking part. The whole school did fantastically well with high placing teams throughout all the different year groups, including two teams taking 3<sup>rd</sup> place. On top of this, 4 children (Jacob R, Lilly S, Jack G, Isla K) individually achieved a high enough position to go through to the next round, representing both Great Dunmow Primary School and Uttlesford in the County event. A brilliant afternoon all round.



## Music Festival

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March, Year 3 went to Dunmow St Mary's School for a day of workshops as part of their Music Festival. The Festival has been sponsored by Great Dunmow Round Table and ensured that the children experienced workshops from professional musicians and dance teachers. The activities ranged from Indian Bollywood dancing to African drumming and a composition workshop as well as learning the Haka. Their behaviour was superb and many tutors commented favourably on their enthusiasm and effort. The children certainly enjoyed the day and are looking forward to the concert at St Mary's Church next week.



## KS1 Dance Festival

Today Lime tree class attended the KS1 Dance Festival at Dunmow St Mary's. The children were very excited to perform their dance to Mamma Mia in front of many children and adults from other school. They helped Miss Haynes to choreograph the dance and it really was a whole class effort. When the dance had finished the children were met with a large applause and many positive comments for their wonderful performance. We have enjoyed learning and practising the dance over the past few weeks and performed with very smiley faces. Well done Lime Tree class, you were fabulous!



## **Coronavirus Update**

As you are aware, as soon as we get any updates on the Coronavirus we are sending these out to parents immediately. We are briefed daily by the Local Authority and Public Health England via email and we have access to a DFE helpline should we have any concerns. The current advice is that the school operates as normal, if you or your family have a new persistent cough or a fever then the advice is that you should spend 7 days in isolation. Please inform the office of this so the attendance registers can be adjusted accordingly.

## **Penny Wars**

A big thank you to the Friends Association for organising the Penny War. It was much more successful than anticipated with over £600 being raised. As Year 5 raised the most amount of money they will get to choose from three options what to spend the money on, we will let you know their decision next week. These are the final figures from the Penny War:

Reception £64.64  
Year 1 £107.73  
Year 2 £108.31  
Year 3 £87.16  
Year 4 £72.30  
Year 5 £118.08  
Year 6 £48.72

The total amount collected was a fantastic £606.94

## **Cancelled Clubs due to Parents Evening**

Please note that Sewing, Construction and Computing Clubs are all cancelled on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March due to parents evening. Please collect your child at 3:20pm, thank you.

## **Drama Club Cancellation**

Mrs Andrews is on a course on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March so Drama Club is cancelled on this day. Please collect your pupils at 3:20pm on this day.

## **HRS Student Visit**

We have started an initiative with HRS where some of their Year 9 students are working with our Year 6 pupils with a focus on reading and the transition process. This is something that we are going to continue as the year progresses and hopefully we will make our Year 6's, regardless of what school they are attending, feel more at ease about starting their new school in September.

## **Mother's Day Sale**

Please do not forget that Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> is the Friends Association "Mother's Day Sale". Children need to bring in their completed shopping list and their money in the envelope that was provided to purchase a gift for a special female relation. There is a limit of two gifts per pupil.

## Class Assemblies

Some class assemblies have been arranged for next term – they are **Apple Tree – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**, **Ash Tree – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**, **Willow Tree – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March** and **Fir Tree – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**. We will let you know the dates for the other classes as soon as they have been arranged.

## Mrs Casey's Cookery Corner

**Ash and Fir tree** classes have visited the kitchen this week to get in some early Easter baking practise. After lots of vegetable cookery, it was treat time! The children looked at the ingredients and thought about which came from a plant and which from an animal. They then learned to cream together butter and sugar, measure scoops of flour and tablespoons of cocoa, to sift, to mix and finally, to shape and flatten their biscuits. There were equipment names to learn too; scales, scoop, bowl, wooden spoon, fork, sieve and baking tray. They also discovered that cocoa powder doesn't taste quite as nice as dairy milk!



**Afterschool club** enjoyed a **spaghetti** bolognese master class (yes, we actually managed to find some spaghetti in Tesco!), with some great knife skills and hob safety being demonstrated. We tested the pasta in the traditional way to see if it was cooked...but don't tell Mr Webberly or Mr Watts!!!



**Gardening Club** worked like Trojans to shift and stack the newly delivered grow bags (thank you once again to Curtis and Fletcher's family for supplying them). They then pulled up the finished Romanesco plants, transplanted the broad beans and harvested some purple sprouting broccoli. Well done to Oliver A and his team of year 1 ladies for being the most organised and efficient of the three squads, and thanks to all the gardening club for being such happy, enthusiastic workers who make Friday evenings such fun.





## Achievements

Well done to Vivien A who took part in a gymnastics competition recently and was 1<sup>st</sup> on two occasions.



## Menu

Please see below for next week's menu.

Week Two – Week commencing 16/3/20				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>Baguette Day</b></p> <p>Warm Baguettes with a choice of fillings:-</p> <p>Chicken/Cheese Melt/Tuna/Bacon</p> <p>Potato Wedges</p> <p>Full Salad Bar</p>	<p>Homemade Priors Hall Sausage Plait</p> <p>Mash Potato</p> <p>Carrots and Cabbage</p> <p>Gravy</p> <p>(v) Red Onion and Rosemary Plait</p>	<p><b>All Day Breakfast</b></p> <p>Priors Hall Sausage, Bacon, Hash brown, Egg, Tomato, Mushrooms and Beans</p> <p>(v) Vegetarian Breakfast</p>	<p>Pasta with a choice of sauce:-</p> <p>Tomato and Herb or Creamy Carbonara</p> <p>Seasonal Veg</p> <p>Garlic Bread</p> <p>Full Salad Bar</p>	<p>Birds Eye Chunky Fish Fingers</p> <p>Chips</p> <p>Beans and Peas</p> <p>(v) Veggie Dippers</p>
<p>Warm Waffle with a Berry or Mango Sauce</p>	<p>Toffee Pudding and Custard</p>	<p>Shortbread Biscuit</p>	<p>Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Custard</p>	<p>Selection of Fresh Fruit</p>

## Dates

Please note that these are subject to change.

<b>March 2020</b>		
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	4:30-8pm	Parents Evening
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Apple Tree Assembly
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	3.30pm – 6pm	Parents Evening
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Ash Tree Assembly
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Willow Tree Assembly
<b>April 2020</b>		
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	3:30-4:30pm 4:45-5:45pm	EYFS, KS1 Disco KS2 Disco
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3.30pm	Y4 Residential Meeting
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	Fir Tree Assembly
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>		Break Up for Easter

## **Other News**