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This week we have been busy with the first half of our parent lunches. Thank you to parents who have attended; we hope you enjoyed it as much as I know the children did! One parent emailed us to say how much they enjoyed spending time with their child at school - 'seeing her face light up with excitement was a treasured moment that will never be forgotten.' We were very impressed with the wonderful manners the children displayed when helping their parents during lunch.

Young Voices Thursday 29th January

After lots of rehearsals, the Young Voices concert at the O2 is finally here! As the children will not be back until around 11pm, they are allowed to come into school at 10:30 on Friday morning. To make this easier for parents, siblings can also arrive at 10:30 if you'd like. Please email or phone the school office by 9am if your child would like a school dinner on Friday 30th but they won't be in until 10:30.

Cultural Diversity Day/Martin Luther King Day— Monday January 19th

Our cultural celebration day was a big success. The children were very engaged when I visited the classrooms and during the Martin Luther King assembly. Thank you to the parents who donated food or came in to share their culture. Well done to the children who shared their culture.



Rainbow Photograph

During this time of year, we experience all types of weather and this sometimes results in beautiful rainbows. Thank you to the parent who sent in the lovely photograph below on Monday morning about the Rainbow room!



Alfie the Attendance Alligator



- Rhinos 97.8%
- Hippos 96.9%
- Tigers 97.5%
- Lions 95.1%
- Leopards 93.2%
- Panthers 93%
- Monkeys 95.6%
- Crocodiles 93.3%
- Pandas 99.4%
- Zebras 96.2%
- Bears 91.3%
- Giraffes 95.9%
- Elephants 99.7%**
- Penguins 94.8%

Superstar corner

Please email the office of any achievements (eg. football, gymnastics, music) your child has outside of school so we can all share in their success. We would love to hear from you.

This week's letters home (or via parentmail):

All: Sewing letter

Year R:

Year 1: Frozen night, T3 newsletter

Year 2: Frozen night, T3 newsletter

Year 3: Frozen night

Year 4: Frozen night

Year 5: Frozen night

Year 6: Frozen night

Dates for your diary: New dates are in red

Parent Dinners:

Mon 26th Jan—Year R parents

Tues 27th Jan—Year 1 and 6 parents

Thurs 29th Jan—Year 2 parents

27th and 28th Jan Year R parents invited into Elephants and Penguins with their children

26th Jan Year R+6 Height and Weight Checks

29th Jan Young Voices to the O2, KS2 only

6th Feb 'Frozen' Movie Night 5-7pm (more info on Monday)

10th Feb Safer Internet Day

13th Feb Friends' Valentine's Disco, KS2

16th—18th February (half term) Year 6 Bikeability part 2

23rd Feb Staff Development Day

24th Feb Early Parents Evening 3:30—5:30pm

26th Feb Late Parents Evening 5-8pm

13th March Reading night- pupils + parents KS2 6-7pm

16th March Reading night- pupils + parents KS1 5-6pm

16th –19th March Book Fair 3:30-4

ADVANCE DATE: Friday June 26th AM—Sports Day. We will be extending sports day this year to include a family picnic afterwards (weather permitting!)

What would you eat first—a frog or chocolate?

This has proved to be a very popular question! Some answers that I've been pleased to received...

David (Penguins) 'both together so I can taste the chocolate.'

Jay (Tigers) 'I would eat the frog first to then enjoy the chocolate and get the horrible taste out of my mouth!'

Jessica (Hippos) 'I would melt the chocolate and then dissect the frog into dip-able pieces to make a fondue!'

Jazmine 'I would eat the frog first because it is the worst food. I would eat the chocolate last because it is the best.'

Connie (Pandas) 'I would have a frog first because when I had eaten the frog, the chocolate would make it go down.'

Great answers—don't forget all entries get 2tps.

Messages from the school and eco-council

What to do if you're worried?

We have made a new display in Oaks hall with information for what children should do if they're worried such as the peer mediators, child line and telling a teacher. We also have a new worry box for each building where children can write down their worry and place it in the box which will be checked daily and someone will discuss their worry with them. The KS2 box is in the library and the KS1 box is in the Acorns hall.

Eco traffic wardens

Mrs Armstrong and members of the eco-council were out on patrol this morning monitoring the parking and also watching how the children were crossing the road. If you car is not parked safely, you may find a note from the eco-council asking you to be more considerate with your parking next time. We appreciate your support with this.

And finally.....

Did you know that anybody signed up to parent mail can pay online for uniform and have the items sent home with their child? You can also pay for trips this way.

Thinking question.....

Look at the clouds in the sky and describe what it looks like to you.

All suggestions to Miss Ridout welcome, the best will be read in Friday's assembly. All suggestions earn 2tps.

**Have a good weekend,
Miss Ridout**