

Newsletter 9/2/18

Dear Families

This half term we have had a number of events with children representing the school in competitive sports. This is a great opportunity to celebrate their achievements.

Football

Our first home match for the football league took place on Thursday, 1st February against Coppice Primary School. The boys played tremendously well and came away with a convincing 3-1 win against a tough opposition. A goal in the first half from Maxwell enabled Newbury Park to take the lead with Coppice equalising just before half time. Goals in the second half from Anas and Archunan saw Newbury Park prevail as deserved winners.

Well done to all the boys who represented the school:

Year 6 - Maxim Sirghi, Qasim Khan, Asmithan Perinbanathan, Aariz Bashir, Luxshinath Kugathas, Nikil Patel, Kascey Tyrell-Komorowski, Tahsin Ali, Archunan Sooriyakumar, Dominik Budinas, Anas Mekesser, Sarujey Jeyaseelan

Year 5 – Raul Chira, Torez Nursimloo, Tomas Linkevicius, Prem Sawali, Alexandru Grosu, Esa Khan, Armani Steele.

Athletics

Well done to all the children who represented the school at the indoor athletics this term at Beale High school. The children gave a great account of themselves at the school's first representation in the district competition. The children competed well in both the track and field events, with Ciara and Rhianna taking first place in the Long Jump and Standing High-Jump competition respectfully. Overall, Newbury Park finished 13th with over 30 schools competing on the day.

Team: Ciara Falola-Cook, Kaitlyn Sudhakar, Dithuja Inthiran, Emma Wong, Ashwini Vakeesan, Rhianna Clarke, Maxim Sirghi, Qasim Khan, Kascey Tyrell-Komorowski, Nikil Patel, Anas Mekesser, Archunan Sooriyakumar, Kevin Vasantharajah.

School Chess Team

Well done to all the children who represented the school at the regional Chess competition at Moulsham Junior School on Saturday, 3rd February. The first team have qualified for the next round and were one point away from winning the bronze medal. The second team played very well, however, they just missed out on qualification.

Sajitha Kirupagaran, Saveetha Kirupagaran, Naveen Narendran, Saniya Sabesh, Samrath Sareen, Shangave Thevadurai, Harsha Vadivalagan, Varshini Vakeesan, Ashwini Vakeesan, Sajeev Vijayakumar, Rishi Wimalendran, Aadiththan Yogeswaran

Feedback from the parent survey conducted in the Autumn Term 2017

Statement	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
My child is happy at this school.	332	92	1		
My child feels safe at this school.	366	102		1	1
My child makes good progress at this school.	346	116	3		4
My child is well looked after at this school.	426	112	2		4
My child is taught well at this school.	359	99	2		4
This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	305	129	9		10
This school deals effectively with bullying.	285	114	16		40
This school is well led and managed.	333	122	6		9
This school responds well to any concerns I raise.	300	129	16		13
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress.	350	108	11		2
Would you recommend this school to another parent?					
	Yes	372	No	12	

We are extremely pleased with the high number of parents that took part in the survey (approximately half of all parents responded with feedback) – this was significantly more than on previous occasions. The majority of responses have been overwhelmingly positive which is very good news. We are also aware that from this survey, a small minority of parents have disagreed with the statements above and we want to continue to improve on the service and education we provide for your children in these important areas.

We will soon be collecting information relating to our curriculum and homework.

Our Star of the Week Wall of Fame display is now full..!



Well done to all the pupils across the school who have received their star of the week award during our celebration assemblies – we are currently sorting their names onto a chart to be shared.

Attendance

Year Group	R	1	2	3	4	5	6	total
Autumn	94%	95.7%	96.3%	97.6%	96.6%	97%	96.3%	96.4%
Mid-year	94.1%	95.3%	96.2%	97.3%	96.6%	96.8%	96.4%	96.1%

We had a general increase in sickness absences due to flu earlier in the term. This resulted in a small decrease in our overall attendance. Hopefully, during the warmer months ahead, we can aim to improve and maybe reach the 97% attendance mark..!

Year 1: Where do the wheels on the bus go?

In celebration of this term's topic work, a bus visited the children at school on Tuesday, 9th January. The children were given the opportunity to explore and ask questions that they had prepared to the bus drivers. The children were also able to sit in the driver's seat and press the horn (much to their excitement..!) As a memento, every child received a toy bus courtesy of Arriva. If you haven't already, be sure to ask your child all about this great experience.



Year 5 Photographic Project - Chorus an exploration of democracy

If you missed it, please have a look on the website to find an electronic brochure summarising the event.

Important dates for your diary – Spring & Summer Term

Date	School Event
Mon 12th – Friday 16th February	Half Term week – school closed
Monday 19th February	First day of school after half term Y5 trip Royal Observatory, Greenwich - Luse Y1 bring in your favourite toy
Tuesday 20th February	Imajica Theatre visiting school - Reception
Wednesday 21st & Thurs 22nd February	Y3 trip to Epping Forest
Friday 23rd February	Open family Friday - Reception
Mon 26/Tues 27th February	Y1 V & A Museum
Tuesday 27th February	Family Math Course for Rec starts – every Tuesday
Tuesday 27th February	Y2 Parent talks for reading
Wed 28th February	Y6 SATS workshop for parents (before school)
Thurs 1st March	World Book Day
Monday 5th March	Y5 Royal Observatory - Huangse & Shen Lan
Tues 6th March	Y6 Viking Workshop
Tues 6th/Wed 7th March	Y2 trip to St Laurence's - am
Wednesday 7th March	Y5 Royal Observatory - Hongse & Qian Lan
Thurs 8th/Fri 9th/Mon 12th March	Reception Read-a-thon
Tuesday 13th March	Class Photographs
Wed 21st/Thur 22nd March	Y1 Toys in school visit
Friday 23rd March	Sports Relief
Mon 26th March	Y5 Sleepover
Tue 27th March	Y1 Easter Play
Wed 28th March	Easter Assemblies
Thurs 29th March	Y4 Dress up day – London street party
Easter Holidays	30th March until 13th April 2018

Enjoy the half term holiday - stay safe. We look forward to seeing all the children back at school on Monday, 19th February 2018.

Best wishes

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(Headteacher)

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