

Weekly newsletter: 7th June 2019

Important dates

24th June – Pioneers to Harold Hillier Gardens – letter to follow 3rd July AM – Transition morning (children meet their new teacher) 3rd July 2:45pm – Big Summer Sing performance for parents 10th July – Sports afternoon – details to follow 12th July – End of Year reports to parents and parents drop in 19th July – End of term Lovely Hat Assembly

News from Pioneers

Pioneers have enjoyed thinking about our new topic "Forests" and reading the story "Into the Forest" by Anthony Browne. We are going to read lots of books by this author so do look out for them if you visit the library. We are hoping to go on a variety of trips this half term in the local area and our main trip to Hilliers Gardens on Tuesday 25th July. A letter with more details will be coming home next week. Hilliers is an amazing place with great guides who will provide the children with fantastic outdoor learning experiences.

Next week the children will have their Year 1 Phonics Screen Test (they know it as their sound and say challenge!) Many thanks for all your support at home with this. There is one final practise sheet come home today.

Lots of children can already spell the Year 1 common exception words. If your child has not quite grasped them all yet I have written it on their writing target (stuck to their table) so that they can practise in the morning.

Look out for the new Parent Information Sheet which has more details of our learning on the wall. Finally, please check that your child has their PE kit at school after the holidays. Many thanks.

News from Explorers

Well what a fabulous first week back!

The Explorers had a fantastic time at Longdown! After an exciting coach trip on a huge coach we were greeted at Longdown by Farmer Kerry. She spent the morning showing us the farm and keeping us very busy! We had the best time ever holding baby chicks, stroking rabbits and guinea pigs, bottle feeding calves and kid goats, feeding big goats, holding a day old baby guinea pig and having a fast and bumpy ride in a tractor/trailer! We had to sing to make it go faster! We had a picnic and finally a lovely play in the adventure playground. We also each got a notebook and pencil from the gift shop and a free ticket to return.

Miss Pollard and the team were so incredibly proud of the Explorers. Farmer Kerry told Miss Pollard we were the nicest group she has had all season. We then got an email saying our manners were "impeccable" and Farmer Kerry looked forward to having Hope School back next year. This is what we are about, spreading joy in the community. Well done Explorers! Special mentions to Faye and Zackariya who were both singled out by staff for their manners.

Our final topic "From Farm to Fork" has begun and next week we begin 2 weeks of the traditional tale "The Gingerbread Man". We will be retelling the story, making story maps and of course baking some gingerbread of our own. What an exciting final term we have planned!

Celebrations

Children who arrived on time and every day for last week are:

Ajani, Faye, Zackariya, Seth, Alicia, Shanaya, Elsie, Dylan, Aryah, Nevaeh, Luca, Love, Ibrahim, Kian, Janae, Joshua, Maya, Jolie, Viktoria, Aarna, Ava-Mae, Cashmere, Adrains, Audrey, Alexia, Aadi

Hawra, Natanim, Adriana, Freya-Elaine, Siyana, Khadija, Annabelle, Selma, Henryk, Ruby, Temi, Zher, Talea, Jaiden, Rachel, Kayden, Daniel, Lya, Ryleigh, Jasmine, Blake

Lovely hats/certificates have been presented to:

Faye and Jerry

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