



# Weekly Newsletter

4<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Discussion of the Week

## Woodwind Concert

The children from Mrs Staniforth's lessons were amazingly confident in their performance to their large audience on Monday morning. Thank you to all of you who were able to share this with them. Well done everyone.

## Positive Mental Health Workshop

Thank you to the parents who attended the positive mental health workshop run by the Charlie Waller Memorial Trust. Feedback from the afternoon was positive and already parents are using some of the strategies. The staff also participated in training and are thinking about whole school ways to increase positive mental health and well-being of all children. Parents who were unable to attend have asked for handouts – unfortunately none were used by the trainer but the website [www.cwmt.org.uk](http://www.cwmt.org.uk) has lots of information and feel free to speak to Mrs Darling-Chalke if you would like to know more.

## Big Pedal Update

The scooter and bike racks have been full to bursting for the last two weeks. Thank you so much for your support with helping us to work on keeping children coming to school so sustainably!

## Gathering your views

We are very keen to continue to work with you all to focus on what we are doing well and how we can continue to do better. We have worked very hard over recent years to improve what we do and this is an important part of our continuing journey of improvement. We would very much appreciate if you could complete the google survey that is linked to the website on the 'Parent Survey' button. <http://www.kingscopse.co.uk/> After we have collated the responses, we will be keen to follow up with you how we can put any suggestions into place and will feed back our findings in due course.

## Staffing update

Mrs Nicholls (who has been working her magic with the children in Y6) has secured herself a role within the private sector and will undoubtedly be the asset to them that she has been to us. She remains committed to the children of Kings Copse until the end of SATs week. Her last day will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May. I am sure you will join us in wishing her all the best for the future.

## Lunchtimes

We will be talking to children about manners in the hall – I hope these conversations will be similar to the ones that you have with them at home. We will be particularly focusing on asking children to sit with their feet on the floor and to put rubbish/leftovers in their lunchboxes/bins. Thank you for your help reinforcing this message. Next week, on Thursday, we will be trialling a purple meal (ham and lettuce sandwich) in readiness for picnic lunches after half term.

## Internet safety

Many children from across the school have been talking about the game Fortnite which has a 12 rating. There is an increasing amount of information in the news about this. I have added a useful document to the blog for your reference if you want to find out more.

*Enjoy a sunny long weekend!*

*Hayley Ferguson*

## What are you curious about?

### Merits this Week

Silver – River (Y1)  
Gold – Amelia (Y2) & Grace (Y6)  
Ruby – Lucie (Y3)  
Sapphire – Lili (Y2), Evie (Y3) & Archie (Y6)  
Diamond – Tom (Y3)  
Opal – Kyle (Y6)  
Emerald – Phoebe (Y4)  
Pearl – James (Y4)

***Well done everyone!***

### Dates for Diary

7<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday  
10<sup>th</sup> May - Osmington residential meeting for parents at 3.30pm  
24<sup>th</sup> May - Class Photos

### Letters sent out this week

Portchester castle visit Y1 and Y2

### Achievements this week

Well done to Izzy (Y3), whose Brownie team won the District Sports Day Trophy.

***Well done. We are proud of you!***

**Please note there will be no crossing patrol directly outside school on the following dates:**

**11<sup>th</sup> May and 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> May**

**This week's winning team:**

**OAK**