



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January

Discussion of the Week

Would you rather be monkey to climb trees or be a giraffe to see over them?

### 10 Golden Tickets

Ben, Ellie, Austin, Evan

### Merits

Tom (y2) – Silver

Izzie (y2) – Silver

Izzy (y2) - Silver

Well done to all of you!

### Dates for the Diary

19 Jan: Census Day

24 Jan: Parents Forum

2 Feb: Y2 Class Assembly,  
followed by work sharing

9 Feb: Y3 Class Assembly,  
followed by work sharing

16 Feb: Y5 Class Assembly  
followed by work sharing

17 Feb: INSET DAY

20-24 Feb: HALF TERM



### Winning Plate

Why not let your child try a school meal on **Thursday, 19 January**.

With our delicious pork roast or baked bean and cheese yorkie, the Kitchen are going to provide a special treat for the children for dessert of either a decorated Fairy Cake or Chocolate Swirl Ice-cream.

There will also be a hidden raffle ticket on one plate in each year group and the lucky winners will each receive a small prize.

School Meals cost £2.10

### This Week's Letters

Curriculum Information – All years

### This Week's Winning Team

ELM

### Homework

It has been an absolute pleasure to be in the classrooms with the children excitedly sharing their homework from the last half term. I was very impressed by the range of planet biscuits, rockets and solar systems, winter walks, biscuit baking, cameras, wands and models presented by so many children, along with their fabulous written tasks too. With life being so busy for everyone, my thanks go to you all for supporting your child or children with this valuable aspect of school life. Merits will be awarded as part of Celebration Assembly next week so that we can value the efforts the children have put in. 1 and 2 merits have been consistently awarded across the school for children who have put good and excellent effort into completing more than 20 points from the task grid. 3 merits will be awarded to those children whose effort or outcome is considered exceptional.

### Parent Workshops

We have presently received about a 10% reply rate, so it does not feel that this would accurately reflect everyone's views. It would be extremely helpful for a wider response so that we can shape our training based on a good response rate.

If you have yet to cast your vote, please follow this link [https://docs.google.com/a/kingsapps.co.uk/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd\\_uEdR\\_R4x3HP7n\\_VAQxApBcDOqRjhi9MSJIFOwkYqtJRhj0g/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/a/kingsapps.co.uk/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd_uEdR_R4x3HP7n_VAQxApBcDOqRjhi9MSJIFOwkYqtJRhj0g/viewform?c=0&w=1) so we can build a picture of the preferred area of support required.

### Attendance

On Monday, I will be sending you the overview of your child's attendance for the Autumn Term. These are split into three colour bands as before. Green represents high level of attendance – 96% +. Amber represents 90 – 95.9% attendance and red represents below 90%. If after receiving the information you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or pop in.

### Parking

It has been a very positive picture in relation to responsible and respectful parking in recent weeks, and my thanks go to all of you who use our Park and Stride facility or who park locally in a way that is helpful towards our neighbours. However, I have received a report this week of an incident which was not helpful. Sincere apologies for having to report this situation to you, but we must try our best to park responsibly, considering the needs our neighbours have for access to their homes.

### Census Day 19<sup>th</sup> January

As part of the local authority's funding calculations, our next census is due to happen on 19<sup>th</sup> January. We are promoting the school lunches because it helps to ensure that we get as much funding per pupil as we can, obviously enabling us to provide the very best education for your children. If it is a one off lunch only on this day, that helps us out financially, and your child might find a new found love of school lunches!

### Proposed expansion update

You may have noticed the laminated information attached to the gates around the entrance areas. These are copies of the public notice that was referred to in the original letter you received from Children's Services dated 10<sup>th</sup> October. We are presently in the 4 week public notice period. Please refer to the original letter for the details.

### Service Families

If you are a military family and have service children please would you let the school know as soon as possible. For each service child the school receives pupil premium funding to enable school to offer music lessons and additional, mainly pastoral, support during challenging times, which could include anything from a service parent being away, being injured on active service to bereavement.

*Have a relaxing weekend!*

*Hayley Ferguson*