

Dear Parents and Carers,

9th March 2018

Values

This month we shall continue to focus on the value of Honesty. At Cold Harbour we believe that to earn trust and respect from each other, we must be honest and open to others and ourselves.

A Prayer for honesty

God, please help me to be someone who always tells the truth. Help me to be honest every day. Amen



Staffing

It is with great sadness that Miss Ruth Burgess will be leaving us to take a position closer to home, Miss Hannah Kara will be leaving in July to take a post in a new school and Miss Cate Clark (Lunchtime Supervisor) will be leaving us also. We would like to thank them for their hard work and wish them every success in the future. We have welcomed Mrs Susan Kimani to Puffin class, Mrs Sarah Oakley and Mrs Julie Crane as Lunchtime Supervisors and Mrs Ann Wotherspoon, Mrs Noori Begum and Miss Nicola Lawlor as Night Owl Staff.

Governor Elections

Thank you for the nominations received. Further information will be provided following the Full Governing Body meeting at the end of this month.

World Book Day



Although the day was shorter than expected, the children loved dressing up for World Book Day and we are very pleased with the outcome of the book fair that took place after school. Miss Brago has reported that we have exceeded our target and would like to thank everybody who contributed, and the staff who have helped.

School Nurse Clinic

The school nurse team run termly clinics within school and will be available to meet with families to discuss health issues that are impacting on the child's education and general well-being. The clinic is a confidential health clinic.

Topics covered will include bed-wetting, soiling, behavioural issues, poor attendance, sleep disturbances and dietary issues.

The next clinic will be on **Friday 16th March** during the morning, for which appointments have been made.

Easter Service



We would like to invite you to join **Key Stage 2** children (years 3 – 6) Easter Service which will be held at St. Mary's church, Bletchley on **Friday 16th March at 11.00am**. Please ensure that all children have a packed lunch on this day, and if you have ordered a hot meal day please log into your ParentPay account to see if you can cancel this. Also if you would like to walk to the church with the children, please could you let us know by dojo.

The Early Years and Key Stage 1 (Foundation – Year 2) Easter service will be held in the school hall on **Thursday 15th March at 9.15am**.

We very much look forward to seeing you at the Easter services at school or at the Church.

Easter Production

Tropical Birds (years 3 & 4) will present their Easter production 'The Gospel Show' on Tuesday 20th March at 9.30am and Thursday 22nd March at 1.30pm. A letter has been sent home with further details, please return your reply slip as soon as possible so we can issue you your tickets for the performance.

May Day

On **Tuesday 1st May at 2.00pm** you are invited to join us in our May Day celebrations of maypole dancing and country dancing. This will take place on the school playground. The FOCH will provide refreshments following the event.



Swimming



Swimming is a strand of the National Curriculum in Key Stage 2. All year 3 pupils will now access this area of their curriculum in the Summer Term following the Easter break starting on **Monday starting on 23rd April**. A letter has already been sent home, please complete the consent form and return it to school as soon as possible.

Caldecotte Xperience

Following the unavoidable postponement of the year 4 Caldecotte Xperience residential visit, we have now been advised that the new date will be **Monday 30th April to Tuesday 1st May**. Hopefully the weather will be kinder and we will be able to participate in more activities than originally planned.

Yours sincerely

Christine Ryan

Mrs Christine Ryan
Headteacher.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 14 th March	Rugby Fest at Milton Keynes Rugby Club
Thursday 15 th March	Easter Cracked – Year 6 Whaddon Way
Thursday 15 th March	9.15am Easter Service for EYFS & KS1 (Reception to Year 2)
Friday 16 th March	11.00am Easter Service for KS2 (Years 3-6) St Mary's Church
Friday 16 th March	School Nurse Clinic (by appointment only)
Wednesday 21 st March	Netball Tournament for Years 3 & 4
Friday 23 rd March	EYFS Fairytale Picnic
Friday 23 rd March	3.15pm Break up for Easter
Monday 9 th April	School re-opens
Monday 23 rd April	Swimming lessons start for Year 3 (Letter has been sent)
Monday 30 th April – Tuesday 1 st May	Caldecotte Trip - Year 4
Tuesday 1 st May	2.00pm May Day Celebrations