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Belong, Explore, Soar

Attendance Reminder

Regular attendance builds executive functioning skills, stable routines, and the emotional resilience children need as they transition into secondary school.

Upcoming Events and Dates

October

Tues 6th - Y2 Farm Trip

Wed 7th - Individual photos

Tues 13th - Connect Coffee Morning 9am

Fri 16th - EYFS Parent Meeting

and Phonics Workshop 8:45-9:45am

Weds 21st - Parents Evening 3:30-6:30pm

Thurs 22nd - EYFS and KS1 Harvest Assembly - 9am

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Fri 23rd - Pumpkin Trail and PFA Spooky Cake Sale

November

Tues 10th - EYFS and KS1 Spooky Disco 3:30-4:30pm

KS2 Spooky Disco 5:00-6:30pm

Weds 11th - Orca Class Assembly 9am

Thurs 12th - Connect Coffee Morning 9am

Weds 18th - Manta Ray Class Assembly 9am

Tues 24th - Y6 Trip to Bunker



This Thursday (1st October) is Census Day and The Pantry, our school catering team, are marking the day with a street-food themed menu.

They would love the children to get involved by helping to decorate the food serving area for the day. They have set the challenge to design their best Hot Dog Heroes or Street Food Characters. This can be on paper, on a paper plate or anything of their choosing - they will then display these around the counters to celebrate! Please take all designs to the canteen in time for Thursday.



Play Focus

We were very excited to have our first OPAL development meeting with our mentor this week and to start planning what we can do to improve our playtimes outside. Attached to this newsletter you will also find the OPAL Letter to Parents, which explains why we have chosen to work with OPAL and what benefits the programme will bring to our children and the community. We have asked the staff and the children to give their views on what changes they would like to see on the playground...and we would like your views too. If you are able to spare 5-10 minutes to complete the OPAL parents' survey, we would really value your opinions and ideas:

[OPAL Parent Survey Link](#)

Our first challenge is to build up a large collection of 'loose parts'...OPAL recommends 4 per child! By introducing open-ended materials that children can move, combine and redesign, we will create a playground environment that is more varied, engaging and inclusive.

Next Friday, we are going to launch 'Whole Class OPAL Bingo' which will run over the final three weeks of this half term. We will be sending out a grid of items we would love to receive donations of. Which class will be the first to tick off all of the items on the grid? Thank you in advance - this is the first big step to improving play.

Year Group Spotlight

This week, our Year 4s have begun to design their very own chocolate bar inspired by Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. As you can imagine, this is incredibly exciting and all of the ideas so far have sounded scrumdiddlyumptious!

Here are just a few of them:

"My idea is to use vegetarian marshmallows, sprinkles and both dark and white chocolate. It will be called the 'World's Greatest' bar." - Tresa, Seals

"I want to use stretchy marshmallows with rice crispies and white chocolate, called the 'Crunch Munch.'" - Tom, Seals

"My Sprinkly Crunch bar will have milk chocolate, sprinkles and gooey marshmallows." - Sia, Seahorses

"I am making the 'Sprinklez' bar out of milk chocolate, mini marshmallows and loads of sprinkles!" - Poppy, Seahorses