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Special dinner times: Next week we shall be holding two special dinner times:

1. Fairtrade Lunch

Firstly, on **Tuesday** the Fairtrade action group have planned a lunchtime of activities focusing on Fairtrade products. Children will be able to compete in the banana javelin and the olive picking speed trial. They will also have an opportunity to be creative by designing a T-shirt, decorating a flower biscuit and to use Fairtrade chocolate wrappers to collage the front of a recycled notebook. Mrs Jolly will be including a wide range of Fairtrade products in the day's menu and holding a competition to guess how many different ones have been used.



2. Chinese Themed Lunch

In response to Class 2's persuasive writing, on **Friday**, Mrs Jolly will be creating a Chinese meal to add to their class theme learning this term. The choices will be Sweet and Sour Chicken, Pork Szechuan, Honey and Ginger Vegetable Chow Mein or Pancake Roll.



Cooking in School

Children have enjoyed their range of cooking activities this half term. Class 1 children continued practising their cutting skills by making a chicken and potato salad with a herby dressing. After the cooking session they looked at a mint plant to explore the different parts of a plant.

Class 2 looked at different methods of measuring using spoons, scales and measuring jugs. They used their reading skills to follow a recipe to make blueberry muffins.

The Class 3 children devised their own recipes creating a variety of toppings for a pastry slice with an emphasis on using what might be store cupboard ingredients or leftovers. They came up with delights such as cheese, bacon and egg or chicken, bacon, tomato sauce and mozzarella. They have also looked at tea farming in a Fairtrade cooperative and how they would spend the Fairtrade premium if they lived as a tea farmer.

World Book Day

Children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character for the day on Thursday 1st March. There will also be a prize for the best costume in each year group. More details will be sent out next week.

Parents Evenings

An email has been sent out this week regarding our Parent Evening Meetings for children from Upper Nursery to Year 6. Please book your appointment using the on line booking form and appointment times will be confirmed next week. Lower Nursery (our new starters in January), have received a separate letter.

Sports News

Class 1 Multiskills

10 children from Year 2 competed in the interschools Multiskills tournament yesterday. They had to complete a range of different activities, such as goal scoring, standing long jump, running and balancing. The children worked brilliantly as a team and were extremely supportive and polite. Their hard-work and determination paid off, earning them the first place trophy! We could not be prouder! <http://bit.ly/Multiskills2018>



In Case You Missed It

- **PFA Family Quiz Night: Friday 16th March from 6.30pm.** Supper order form coming soon
- **Next PFA Meeting: Tuesday 27th February, 6.30pm at The Bingley Arms.**
- Our uniform supplier has kindly offered to provide, **free of charge, 2 iron on labels per child for current PE kit and will provide a free name label with every future PE jumper or top that is ordered.**
- **2018-2019 Holidays added to dates**

Class News

Foundation Stage

We have been extremely busy this week, thinking about how we can help other people. The Story Box sent us photos of our link school in Tanzania and got our brains thinking about how we can help some children in another country. We found out that the children from Mmazami School are very good at recycling old things to make into new ones, like making old plastic containers into drums. Our class decided that they would like to recycle glass jars and off cuts of hessian from our display boards to make some decorative jars for flowers or candles. We will be selling these to our grown ups next Friday 16th after school in the playground to raise funds to send to Mmazami School. Details of this event will be sent out via the Dojo app. We hope you can all support the children in showing kindness and consideration to others.

Miss Painter, Mrs Lovell, Mrs Stearne, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Gaimster



Class 1

This half term we have been wowed in Class 1 by the high standard of homework the children have been producing. From marshmallow disco balls to Lego Eiffel Towers to cars constructed from cakes, the amount of creativity and effort the children (with a little help from parents!) have shown is remarkable! We have absolutely loved each and every creation and it has been lovely to share the homework with the rest of the class too. I hope the children are as inspired by the next menu of activities!

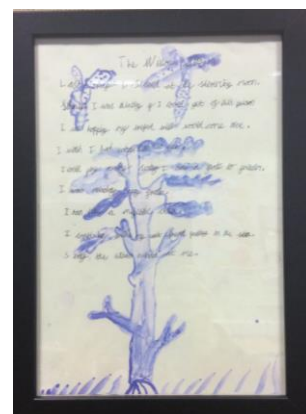
Miss Schofield, Mrs Ross



Class 2

This week Class 2 have worked hard to complete their investigations in role! Now the Mandarin has been arrested, we are in the process of planning the defence and prosecution cases for Tuesday's court hearing. After all, it is only right that he has a fair trial. Is he guilty? Will we ever find Koong-Se? One week to go! The children also finished their Willow Pattern poems and published them using their beautiful water colour paintings

Miss Aspinall, Miss Riley, Mrs Brammer












Class 3

Class 3 have had a busy week and have completed many different tasks. Within music, they have been learning about the pentatonic scale and working in groups, composed their own short pieces using only 5 notes. As part of our Romeo and Juliet work, the children have become journalists reporting on the deaths of Mercutio and Tybalt. In Design and Technology, they have now started to make their cam toy which has involved cutting up lengths of wood for the frame and drilling a hole in a cam to make the handle. We can't wait to see the end products!

Mrs Findlay, Mrs Callaghan, Mr Hammond



Achievement Awards this week

<p>Foundation</p>		<p>Oliver L</p> <p>Being helpful and always trying his best</p>		<p>Nathanael</p> <p>Trying his best learning his new phonics sounds</p>	 <p>Joshua</p> <p>Always making the right choices</p>
<p>Class 1</p>		<p>John Dean</p> <p>Persevering with maths</p>		<p>Alex</p> <p>Persevering with his number formation</p>	
<p>Class 2A</p>		<p>Anneli</p> <p>A super role model in her attitude towards others</p>	<p>Luke R</p> <p>Effort and improvement in his big writing</p>		
<p>Class 2R</p>		<p>Millie</p> <p>Producing a super clay bowl in art</p>	<p>Jen</p> <p>A beautiful Willow Pattern painting and poem</p>		
<p>Class 3</p>		<p>Lexie</p> <p>Putting 100% effort into all she does</p>	<p>Dylan</p> <p>Making lots of progress in reading</p>		
<p>Headteacher's Award</p>			<p>The Class 1 Multiskills Team</p> <p>A brilliant win at the Interschools tournament</p>		

Important Dates for your Diary	
Date	Event
Mon 19 – Thu 22 Feb	Holiday Club
Tuesday 27 th February	PFA meeting, Bingley Arms, 6.30pm
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day
Friday 16 th March	Family Quiz Night, school, 6.30pm onwards
Mon 9-Thur 12 April	Holiday Club
Monday 14 th -Thursday 17 th May	Year 6 Statutory Tests (SATs)
Sun 1 st - Mon 2 nd July	Year 3 and 4 Residential
Mon 9 th –Wed 11 th July	Year 5 and 6 Residential
Mon 23 July – Tue 24 July	Inset Day. Holiday Club available
Mon 23 July – Fri 17 Aug Weekdays only	Holiday Club

Term Dates 2017 – 2018	
Date	Event
Friday 16 th February	School closes for half term
Monday 26 th February	School reopens
Thursday 29 th March	School closes for Easter
Monday 16 th April	School reopens
Monday 7 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 25 th May	School closes for half term
Monday 4 th June	School reopens
Friday 20 th July	School closes for Summer. Please note 2 Inset Days have been allocated.

Term Dates 2018 – 2019	
Date	Event
Tuesday 4 th September	School reopens
Friday 26 th October	School closes for half term
Monday 5 th November	School reopens
Friday 21 st December	School closes for Christmas holiday
Monday 7 th January	School reopens
Friday 15 th February	School closed for half term
Monday 25 th February	School reopens
Friday 5 th April	School closed for Easter holiday
Tuesday 23 rd April	School reopens
Monday 6 th May	School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May	School closes for half term
Monday 3 rd June	School reopens
Tuesday 23 rd July	School closes for Summer Holidays

4 Inset days to be allocated