

## Absence during Term time.

I would like to remind you of the importance of not taking your child out of school during term time. Authorisation for absence will not be given unless it is for **very** exceptional circumstances and you will be fined by WSCC who incidentally retain the money, for any absence over 9 sessions (4.5 days). If your child happens to be unwell either at the beginning or end of the absence we may ask for evidence from your Doctor or other medical personnel. More importantly your child will miss important aspects of their learning which they may never have the opportunity to catch up on. Thank you for your co-operation with this. Please can you ensure that your child arrives in school on time; you can drop off from 8.30am and the bell goes at 8.45am. Being at school at the start of the day is very important as this is the time they will find out what they are doing during the day and will start their learning.

## Cross Country Report

This year at cross country we have been magnificent. Five girls and five boys had been selected to represent the school. Everybody did exceptionally well. All of our team finished the course sounding like they could go round again considering there was approximately a 500m hill to run down and back up when even more tired. Girls were set off first and finished with Evie Tighe winning and Bella Downs coming second. However, Ella Holt, Olivia Kolter and Ava Heydon-Corrie finished with a fabulous round and they all did an outstanding sprint towards the end to beat the other competitors. Dominic Platt, Ethan Amaya, Jake Sandwich, Archie Rowe and Jack Kolter did just as well finishing in the top 30 out of around 60-70 other children. We are all very proud of ourselves; overall our team come 4<sup>th</sup>. We were very supportive of each other and every one of us achieved our target.

By Evie Tighe and Bella Downs



## Football Tournament

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November Darcy B, Milli. T, Zach B, Zac T, Zach S, Ralf B, Ashton M-J and James R went to the small schools football tournament.

We played 3 matches, we lost all the three matches but we worked really well as a team. We came joint 7<sup>th</sup> but didn't mind because we still had a good time.

Miss Johnson stayed with us at the tournament and she said we all played with great sportsmanship.

By Milli.T and Darcy.B



## Football report

We were playing Balcombe and the atmosphere was electrifying, we had a good clean match. They scored the first goal but we were soon to follow up. We were amazed when Archie scored the rebound. We then had a penalty, luckily Finn stopped it. By that it was -1 to them (Balcombe) and it only got worse when our defence fell apart, they just never stopped coming, my last line of defence was half way up the pitch! We are going to continue training and hope to win next time!

The team was Evie T, William T, Archie R, Charlie K, Zach B, Ethan H, Finn J, Milli T, Jack K

By Finn (goalkeeper) and Ethan H (midfield)

All of our sporting events will help us to hopefully achieve our Sainsbury's Gold Mark award for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year running.

## **Hinduism week**

Just before half term we spent a fantastic week looking at many different aspects of Hinduism. The children in KS2 visited a temple in Crawley where they took part in a prayer session and were allowed to ring the bell. They showed a lot of respect and reverence whilst they were there and were congratulated on their knowledge about Hinduism and their respectful behaviour. All of the school took part in a Hinduism workshop where they learnt about the story of Rama and Sita and other Hindu gods and were immersed in the life of a Hindu. Many thanks for FOTS for paying for this. We also all learnt to do some Bollywood dancing- I hope you enjoyed the show, and they all had the opportunity to taste some vegetable curry, thank you to Charlotte Burnett for making this, it was delicious. The children all seemed to enjoy the week; it was lovely to see them show off their dance moves and to enthusiastically share what they had learnt. Do come and look at our colourful Hinduism display in school which showcases the work the children did during the week.



## **VLE**

I hope you have all picked up your VLE log in from the office. Do go onto your child's class page; there is lots of useful information to support your child's learning at home.

## **Wellie boots and overtrousers**

Please can I remind you to ensure your child has a pair of wellie boots and some overtrousers if they want to go onto the trim trail at lunchtime. Without them they will not be allowed on.

Thank you

## **FOTS**

Many thanks to the FOTS team for organising two more great events- the curry and quiz night and the spectacular fireworks display. They all work tirelessly to put on these events and we are very grateful for the money they raise. We are aiming to replace our netball posts, football posts and purchase some other PE equipment and the classes are busy deciding how they will spend the donation they have been given.

## **Thank you**

A big thank you to the FOTs for the new floodlights on the playground.

Also a big thank you to Mr Salvage for donating his time free of charge to install them during half term.

## **Dates.**

Please find below a reminder of some of the events that are coming up this term.

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| 25 <sup>th</sup> November – 8.30am – 4.30pm | Holly Class Trip – Butser Ancient Farm |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> December – all day          | Decorations Day                        |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> December, 10.00am- 12       | Open morning for September 2016        |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> December                   | Xmas Fair                              |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> December, 2pm              | KS2 Performance – Dress Rehearsal      |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> December, 9am              | KS1 Concert                            |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> December, 2pm              | KS2 Performance                        |