

Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

The term is continuing to go well - we have had a great couple of weeks, with lots of exciting events. The children (and staff) looked amazing in their Book Character costumes last Thursday, and we all enjoyed guessing who was who. Thank you for your support! We were also delighted to see that we had made the front page of the Welwyn and Hatfield Times with our book win! I hope you enjoy reading the new books with your children.



Sporting Success

The children are continuing to do really well in sports events. Last week the Year 4 team won the Stevenage Speed Stacking Competition, winning gold medals in the boys' team, girls' team and teacher events. The children were fantastic at supporting and encouraging each other. They have spent a lot of time practising with the help of Year 6 and Mel who have all been amazing! Thank you to them for giving up their free time to help.

Congratulations too, to our wonderful Year 6 Netball team, who played and won their first league match of the season. They played really well together and were a very harmonious team!

Our Indoor Athletics team also had a very successful festival, with the girls finishing first in their heat, and the boys finishing second. Again, the team were really encouraging and supportive towards each other. We are now keeping everything crossed as we await to see which position they have come in overall. Thank you very much to Mel and our parents who helped to transport the children.



Nursery Admissions

Just a quick reminder that to secure a nursery place for September 2022, applications need to be in by Friday 11th March. If you have any difficulties making your application, please do not hesitate to contact us. The link to the page on the website with further details is here:

<https://codicote.herts.sch.uk/school-office/admissions/>



PTFA

Thank you to everyone who came to the PTFA meeting last week. We have some popular events returning over the next few months and hope to see you at them! Following requests, we are hoping to arrange online booking to make the process of buying tickets easier for everyone, particularly those who find it hard to get to the School Office. Details to follow. All proceeds will be going towards replacing the trim trail on the field.



Mothering Sunday Gift Shopping

Children can purchase a gift for their parent on Friday 25th March, at a cost of £3.00. Families will be able to shop together. We want every child who wants to get a gift to be able to, so if cost is an issue, please let Mrs Pollard know.



Children's Disco

A children's disco has been arranged for Thursday 31st March, from 5.30 – 7.00 p.m. Tickets are available in advance at a cost of £3.00. Refreshments will be available to purchase on the night.



Coin Collection

We will be collecting coppers and any loose change in each classroom from 19th April, so if you have any cluttering up the house, car, sofa or your pockets, we would love to have them! The class who raises the most money (total divided by the number of children in the class) will be the winners!



Grand Raffle

Tickets will be coming home soon – great prizes available!



Other forthcoming PTFA events:

13th May: Children's film Night

25th June: *Summer Do!* Family Barbecue with live music and entertainment

29th June: Big Breakfast and Sponsored Walk



Travel Plan

We have been very impressed with the significant increase in the number of families walking, scooting and cycling to school over the past few years. To help to keep the children safe, Year 3 have enjoyed a workshop on pedestrian skills, with Year 4 to follow after the Easter holidays and Year 2 took part in a scootability session. Hopefully, they will have opportunities to practise the things they have been taught when they are out and about with you. Please let me know of any particularly good pedestrian/safe scooter skills and I will be delighted to give out Headteacher awards.



Eco Team Top Tips!

Eco Team would like to share some of their energy saving tips with you to help with rising gas and electricity costs:

- Turn the heating off when you leave the house
- Turn it on when you get back
- Turn the thermostat down by one degree
- Put on a jumper or snuggle on the sofa under a blanket if you feel a bit chilly
- When the heating is on make sure that all your windows and doors are closed
- Turn the radiator off in rooms that you do not use
- Turn off the lights when you leave the room
- When the sun shines turn the lights off

We hope this helps! Look out for more tips and information from The Eco Team in upcoming newsletters!

Miss Grainger and the Eco Team

Thank you for reading this newsletter. Please remember I am always happy to discuss any issues with you.

Liz Pollard
HEADTEACHER



Community News



Codicote Museum

Codicote History Society Museum is opening again! The first date is Sunday 20th March, from 2p.m. to 5p.m. in the Museum building behind the Peace Memorial Hall. Refreshments available!