



NEWSLETTER

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Dear parents/carers

It is good to see everyone back in school after the long weekend. You may have read recently in the EADT that a child was worried by the behaviour of an unknown adult on the way home from school, today the EADT has reported that the police has identified an elderly person who has been spoken to. We have been talking to the children about "stranger danger" – a regular topic at school. We had also already arranged for the local police engagement officer to come in and talk to the KS2 children regarding the new skate park, he will now also speak to them about how to keep themselves safe. Visits by the emergency services to school are a normal part of school life but have been another element we have missed due to COVID. A visit will be arranged for EYFS and KS1 shortly.

As we gradually emerge from lockdown, we are also planning for transition arrangements for pupils starting school with us in September and for those moving on to high school. We are hoping that these will be in person visits this year – government guidelines permitting. More details to follow if your child is in year 6 or starting school September 2021.

Tessa Sait

Executive Headteacher

Willow Class

This term we have been looking at the topic Our Wonderful World. We have read lots of fiction and non-fiction books all about the wonders of the world and how we can take care of the world around us. Willow have enjoyed taking close up photographs of the school grounds and we spent some time working together to clean the garden space so it was clean and tidy. We made a promise to help keep our world clean and tidy. This week we have enjoyed the topic of space. We role-played spacemen/women, wrote a list of the items we wanted to take into space and measured and made yummy rock cakes. Willow class garden is beginning to grow and we are excited to be planting out our sunflowers and moving our bean plants to bigger pots.

Bollywood/Holi Festival

Wednesday 19 May

Please watch out for next week's newsletter for more information.

Diary Dates

14 May – PCSO visit KS2
19 May – Bollywood/Holi Festival
28 – May Break-A-Rule-Day
28 - May last day before the half term break
7 June – Children return to school
9 June – KS2 Skateboarding workshops
16 June – KS1 Scooter workshops
1 July – Class Photographs
21 July – Last day for pupils
6 Sept – first day of the Autumn term 2021

Term Dates

2021-2022

Autumn Term

Monday 6 September

Friday 17 December

Half term week 25 October

Spring Term

Wednesday 5 January

Friday 8 April

Half term week 21 February

Summer Term

Monday 25 April

Thursday 21 July

Half term week 30 May

PD Day's

2 & 3 September

4 January

28 February

22 July

Bank Holiday

Monday 2 May

After School Club

Friday 28 May

After School club will only be open until 4.15 pm.

Mendlesham Pupils Feature on Radio Suffolk

Two of our year 4 pupils featured on Radio Suffolk where they spoke about Irlen's syndrome. They spoke so confidently and eloquently. Well done Cate and Riley. You may still be able to hear them on BBC Sounds, radio Suffolk Tuesday 4th May around