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This Week

Welcome Back: We hope you all had a lovely half-term break.

Drop Off Changes: To make our morning arrivals safer, we are going to trial a new system from **Monday 2nd March**. Parents/carers are asked to please drop off their children to the same locations that they collect them from at hometime. We are updating the signage to reflect this and staff will be on hand to show you where to go if you are unsure. Minibuses and taxis will continue to use the main front door. Please also remember that parking next to the garages in the school access road is not permitted, please use the one-way system past the front of school.

Crawley Sings Live!: Tickets are now on sale for the Crawley Sings Live! event that Seniors are taking part in on the evening of Monday 30th March at The Hawth in Crawley. You can book now via this link:

www.parkwoodtheatres.co.uk/The-Hawth/Show/Oc6e445f-c22d-ea11-a9c3-e0950f44ca9a/crawley-singslive?fbclid=IwAR2Q2mBny4AKHQQ_4FOVstk8svCgoXp97wE-2oKpke6isVXrDUzjl8hZrpo

World Book Day: We will be taking part in World Book Day again this year, which is on Thursday 5th March (during our Book Week **next week**.) We would love to see everyone dressed up either as their favourite book character or in an outfit of bright/rainbow colours for the day.)

Work Experience Help: For our Community week (Monday 27th-Thursday 30th April 2020) we are looking for local businesses who would be willing to have three of our sixth form students for one morning during the week to gain understanding of the world of work in order for them to gain their Work Right ASDAN qualification. The students would be fully supervised during the visit. If you or anyone you know might be able to help with this, please contact Tony Bright via the School Office.

Staying Safer Online Training: We are hosting a Digital Online Safety Awareness session for parents & carers here at QEII on Thursday 12th March from 6-7.30pm. You can find out more and book tickets (which are free) by following this link:

<u>www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/secondary-parentcarer-digital-online-safety-awareness-</u> <u>tickets-83995283153</u>

Parent Governor: We are still trying to recruit a new parent governor. If you are interested in learning more about this rewarding role, please contact the Office. Meetings are once a half-term, usually on a Thursday at 3.45pm for about 90 minutes. We can offer childcare during the meetings if required. We can also arrange for you to have a chat with another parent governor if you'd like to know more about the role.

Head2Head Theatre: Head2Head Theatre are organising another of their multisensory activity/performance sessions in our Studio in the Easter holidays on the 14th & 15th April. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Class News from Cedar Class

We have already had an exciting week back. On Monday we started learning about the Northern Lights. We created our own Northern Lights effect using the sensory trolley and spoke about how it made us feel. From there we made our own art work and wrote a poem. On top of this we had a really fun Tuesday morning playing wheelchair basketball! We all loved it and engaged really well.

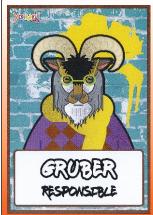


Upcoming Diary Dates and School Events

2nd-6th March: Book Week including 5th March World Book Day 9th March: Dance Time at The Hawth, Crawley (Ticket info has been sent in a letter.) 9th-13th March: Sports Relief Week including Sports Relief "Dress Sporty" on 13th 13th March: M&M Theatre "Jungle Book" Performance to whole school 18th March: Primary Open Afternoon Primary parents are invited to join us for Primary Open Afternoon. 24th March: Last swimming session for Beech and Elms 25th March: Senior Open Afternoon Seniors parents are invited to join us for Senior Open Afternoon. 1st April: Oaks Open Afternoon Oaks parents are invited to join us for Oaks Open Afternoon. 6th - 16th April EASTER HOLIDAY 27th April: Community Week 28th April: Swimming starts for Cherries & Chestnut 30th April: School Photographer 30th April: College Coffee Morning Oaks and Firs parents are invited to join us for College Coffee Morning.

Headteacher's Award Winners

Katie, Elms - showing kindness and empathy when we had sad news Millie, Elms - being very brave riding a horse independently Kacey, Elms - swimming a whole length of the Pavilions pool on her back



Yoimoji of the Week - Gruber

Gruber is **responsible**. "I'm in charge of what I do. When I take on a task, it's up to me to do well and people can trust me." This year we are using "Yoimojis" in our Assemblies, to help with learning and celebrating OFSTED's Fundamental British Values. (Yoimoji is a blend of the Japanese words "yoi" (good) and "emoji" (slang for character.) You can see our Yoimoji posters on our website. The next Yoimoji is Jambop the **Brave** raccoon. If your child has been

responsible at home over the holiday, please tell us via eSchools so that we can celebrate it in school.

Support Groups

Behaviour Support Clinic: These are on Fridays. The next date is 3rd April. To book yourself a clinic slot to see Dr. Elizabeth Scott-Gliba please contact Alison Mitchison in the Office.

Tina Knight's Continence Clinic: These are on Fridays. Upcoming dates are 27th March, 22nd May and 10th July. If you have a current referral to Tina Knight from the Children's Continence Team for toilet training and/or continence products for your child and would like an appointment, please contact her office directly by telephone on 01273 242145.