

Summer Term | 5th May 2017

# Message from the Headteacher



Dear Parents / Carers,

I was delighted to see so many Hedgehogs parents / carers at our sharing assembly today. We were all very proud of the way that the Hedgehogs confidently shared their learning with us in their first 'big assembly' and as always, very impressed with the range of learning activities that the children engage with on a daily basis in our Reception classes.

We welcome all parents / carers at school as well as valuing your support during events and school educational visits. Children enjoy seeing their parents take part in school activities and this contributes to building strong home/school partnerships.

I am sure that your children are excited about our next up and coming event – **Summer Time Ball**. As well as creating a fun evening and great memories, we also want to recognise and say well done to all the children for their great work at school.

We hope this will be as successful as previous events, therefore if you are able to help in any way please let the school office know.

Thank you,

Mrs T Martin

### **Important Dates**

May - Year 2 SATs month

19 – Woodpeckers Sharing Assembly

23 – Reception visiting Paradise Wildlife Park

24 - Summer Time Ball Y1 & Yr2

26 - Staff inset Day - No Children

#### June

5 - School open as usual

8 – Family Man Day

16 - Squirrels Sharing Assembly

30 - Year 1 Sharing Assembly

The last day of school for this academic year is Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

#### Identification verification

All identification verification requests **must only** be submitted to the school office. If we are able to process this for you a small fee of £5 will be charged. All money from this charge will go into our school funds.

Please ensure that you allow enough time for this to be processed.

#### Polite notice

We have noticed that there is an increasing number of children bringing personal items such as toys into school.

Please note that children should not bring into school any toys, fidget spinners or items of value unless it is for 'show & tell' in which case the item should be given to the teacher for safe-keeping.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

## What have Year 2 been learning this week?

We named and identified materials around us and discussed their properties.

We then looked at different ships and boats and discussed why they're made of certain materials and not others.

We had great fun making posters to sort and name materials boats are made of.





### Travelling to and from school

Now the weather is getting warmer, why not walk or ride to school. This will be a great way to reduce congestion, improve road safety and improve health and wellbeing.

Walking / riding to school is a great way to socialise with your child and talking to them about their day ahead.



#### **Parent Pay**

As a result of requests from parents / carers, we working towards becoming a cashless school.

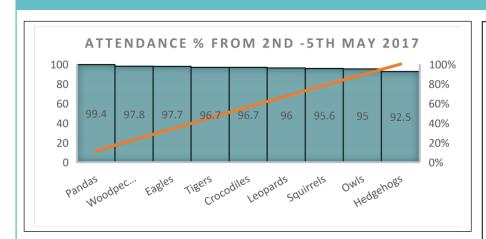
All school visits, after school clubs, ad hoc teatime and breakfast club fees are now loaded on to your Parent Pay.

If you need any assistance on setting up or understanding your Parent Pay account, please inform the school office.

We have already received a lot of positive feedback regarding this change. We hope that you will all welcome this move to charge all items to Parent Pay and that this will be a more convenient way of paying for school items.

### **School Attendance Summer Term 5**

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Please remember to inform the school office in good time and preferably before or on the morning if you need to collect your child early from school for appointments. We ask that whenever possible you make the appointment after school or towards the end of the school day. When reasonable, children are expected to return to school after appointments. If you have an appointment letter or card, please bring this to the office where a copy can be placed on your child's attendance record explaining the absence.

Thank you for your support.

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