



Friday 18th May 2018

## MESSAGE TO PARENTS AND CARERS FROM THE HEAD

How lovely to see the children all dressed in red, white and blue in assembly this morning and so aware of their reasons for doing it. It is always great to see the children understanding the reasons for events and being able to talk about them intelligently. I even witnessed our youngest children waving flags and celebrating with royal crowns they had made!

On a completely different note, you may be aware, from recent media attention, that there are new regulations coming in next Friday (25<sup>th</sup> May) for GDPR which is General Data Protection Regulations. As a result, the laws are changing and the way in which we hold and use your children's data in school will be communicated to you very clearly. For example, there will no longer be an option to 'opt out' of things but rather you will need to make the deliberate action to 'opt in'. This will mean that our school forms such as medical, photo consent, contact information etc will change and we may ask you to resubmit information which you have already done in the past but this is our way of ensuring that everything we hold is current and relevant. There will be more information sent out to you regarding our policies and procedures over the next few weeks but I would ask you to bear with us whilst we do this as the short term inconvenience will make everything safer long term and will mean that we are compliant with the new regulations.

Have a good weekend!

## Message from Friends of Maple Tree



If your child would like to attend the disco on Friday 25th May please ensure that you return the reply slip with payment or pay online by Wednesday 23rd May.

Our next committee meeting is on Thursday 24th May at 7.30pm we would love to see some new faces at the meeting.

## House Point Winners Congratulations Swallows

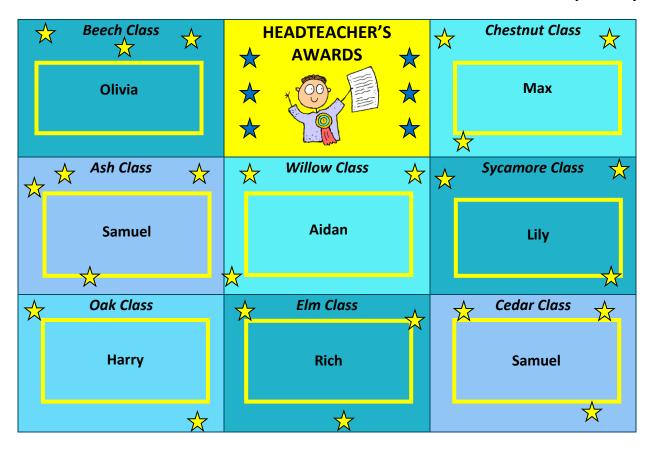
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Attendance Award	
The best attendance a	ward is presented to:
Little Saplings 88.3 %	Lime 95 %
Chestnut 97.2 %	Beech 99 %
Ash 99.4 %	Willow 99.4 %
Sycamore 99.2 %	Oak 98.5 %
Cedar 97.5 %	Elm 99 %



IMPORTANT DATES	
Summer 1	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May Battersea Dogs Home assembly	
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> May FoMT Committee meeting 7.30pm	
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May FoMT School Disco	
Half Term 28 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	
Summer 2	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June INSET day	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June Children return to school	
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June Non-uniform day for Summer Fair donations	
<u>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</u> Sports Day	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July Reports out	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July Open Afternoon 2.30pm	
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> July Summer Fair	
Wednesday 18th July Year 4 Leaver's Production	

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Friday 20th July Term ends

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