

# The Infant, Informative



Issue 30

We have some exciting news! We have managed to book a published author to come into school and read their book to the children. More information in the box below. Reading is THE most important skill a child can learn at school. It opens up their world to endless possibilities. We have regular assemblies to speak about the importance of being able to read; being able to read our airline ticket, traffic signs the TV guide or the bus timetable! Make reading fun at home by encouraging your children to read within their environment.

This week, there have been many sickness and tummy bugs in all year groups. If you are unsure as to whether to send your child into school please contact the office and/or use the NHS poster on page 3 of this newsletter.

We have finalised our plans for the jubilee celebrations, you would have received a letter via ParentMail. Due to the nature of the event, the letter is very detailed. Please do give it your time to read and make sense of.

All parents need to complete the Queen's Jubilee ParentMail Form - even if you cannot attend. The form asks about meal options etc so must be completed for all children. Without completed forms, children will remain in the care of their class teacher.

Our main vehicle gate is not working correctly. Upon arrival and dismissal it may be open. Please do not enter the school through these gates, you must wait for the pedestrian gate to open as normal.

Embarrassingly, this week my teacher ID card fell off my lanyard. If your child has brought it home to play "teachers' I completely understand and hope they enjoy their new accessory - however, I would like it back on Monday if at all possible!

I won't say anything about the weather this week, I think I singlehandedly jinxed and ruined the promised 9 day heat wave. Apologies.

Enjoy your weekend, whatever the weather!

Mr O'Shea



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Children's author Alison H Simpson will be visiting our school on Tuesday 14th June to read her book Bodhi the Pirate Dog.

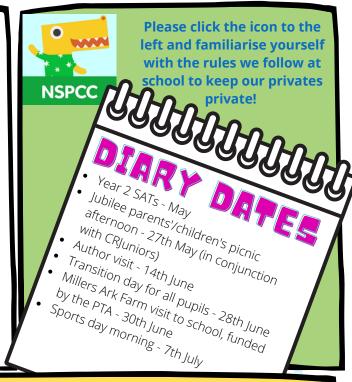
If you would like to purchase Alison's book to be delivered during the author visit, please place your order by Tuesday 14th June at

www.bodhithepiratedog.com/shop giving your child's name, class and the school address as the delivery address. (Paypal and Card payments accepted) Books are £8.99. If the delivery charges are not automatically deducted, please use discount code SCHOOLVISIT

If you would like any books signed, you can add a note to your Paypal payment or email alisonhsimpson@hotmail.com to confirm the name(s) you would like the book(s) signed to.

Cash/card payments can be accepted after school, but it's advisable to place your order beforehand.















## 'What did you do today?' 'Nothing'

#### That's not true, take a look at this!

In Reception this week the children have continued to explore minibeasts and read the key text 'Mad about Minibeasts'. They chose their favourite minibeast to write about and wrote their very own riddle for their friends to guess their chosen minibeast. The children have explored the different characteristics of different insects and matched them to their correct habitats. They have been very excited to watch our caterpillars munching away and have watched with interest as they begin to cocoon. In phonics, the children have learnt the sounds 'oo' and 'or' and they have been developing their spatial awareness by manoeuvring and manipulating different shapes within









This week Year 1s have been continuing to learn about division by sharing objects into equal groups. They have found out that seeds grow faster than bulbs from their Science experiment but that the bulbs grew soon after. This week's book was called 'Beegu' and the children are waiting in anticipation to find out what happens at the end of the story next week as we are slowly building on skills as we read through. Beegu has landed on Earth and is lost so they have been writing lots of questions to find out who she is and where she is from. They gave advice and suggestions for things she could do to help her get home and they have designed and described a new friend for her. The children's puppets are coming along nicely and they have now cut out and sewn their felt together ready for decorating next week.









Year 2 have continued to learn about measuring length and have been applying their mathematical skills to solve problems involving length. The children are getting good at recording the unit of measurement used (cm, m or mm). We have also solved some problems involving distance, using km. In English the children used a short video clip entitled "The Clocktower" and described the settings in the town around the Clocktower and the inside of the clocktower itself. Next week we plan to tell the story about the dancer who lives inside the clock and her vital role in the life of the town!

The children were fascinated by the many different ways plants disperse their seeds and were thrilled to see video clips of seed pods "exploding" and spreading their seeds!

In PSHE we have discussed how independent the children are becoming, and we explored the many different kinds of families and other groups they might belong to. We were very impressed by the children's coding skills as they set backgrounds and chose characters using Free Code Chimp on Purple Mash. Both Emerald and Sapphire now have their weekly visits to our school library on Fridays – please remember to return books each week as children will not be allowed to choose a new book until the previous one has been returned!









## reminders...







Upcoming events

Friday 27th May – Jubliee picnic Thursday 9th June – Year R and 1 movie afternoon 4.15pm onwards

Wednesday 15th June – hand out Father's Day gifts Thursday 30th June – Year 2 leavers disco 4.30-5.30pm 7th July - Sports day Saturday 9th July – Summer Fete 2-4pm

Thank you for supporting the cookies and squash sale last Friday, it was more successful than we were expecting! We sold out of cookies and almost sold out of squash.

Our next big event we are planning for is the Summer Fete. If you would like to be involved in helping with this, we would love to have you. It's just an hour a week on a Zoom call where we chat about what we want to do, so it doesn't take up too much time. If you'd like to join us, please email Louise at crisainformation@gmail.com.

If you run your own business that sells products, and you'd like to have a stall at the Fete, please also email Louise at <a href="mailto:crisainformation@gmail.com">crisainformation@gmail.com</a>.



#### Clubs

Bookings are currently live for all clubs and can be made by contacting them directly using the details in the flyers sent via Parentmail or on our website <a href="https://www.crawleyridge.co.uk/clubs">https://www.crawleyridge.co.uk/clubs</a>

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Hotsteppers Dance Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Dodgeball 3pm - 4.15pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Football 3pm - 4.15pm
Jam Coding Year 1 & 2			Boogie Pumps Drama Year R, 1 & 2	
3.05pm – 4.00pm  Ultimate Coaching Mini Kickers Year R 3pm – 4pm			3pm – 4pm	









## notices...

#### **Absence**



If your child is absent due to illness or other unforeseen circumstances, we appreciate a telephone call on the first morning of absence before 9.15 am.

Please be more detailed when describing your child's absence - don't use phrases such as 'ill' or 'feeling unwell' - as we must record accurate details of any illness.

Too many children are arriving to school after registration time. Registers close at 08:45 am. Children who enter the classroom after this time are late. We are monitoring late marks and will be contacting parents of children who are frequently late.

### **Punctuality**



#### **Attendance**



Attendance at school is falling. All children must attend school unless unwell. We are monitoring all children and will call parents in for meetings if their child's attendance is below our expectations. Please report all absences to the school office.











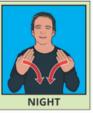
## join in...











We have learnt these BSL signs

