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Dear Parents,

The school has been a hive of activity this week with the clubs in full swing, rehearsals for next week's talent show and children enjoying their new topics.

There are a few procedural notices to bring to your attention.

CHASE ALLEY GATES – NEW CODE

A reminder that there is a new entrance code for the large gates on Chase Alley. The new code has been sent to you by ParentMail today and is also available from the school office.

MEDICINES/MEDICAL INFORMATION

It is vital that the school is kept up to date of any changes to your child's health so that the appropriate support can be put in place. Please ensure you inform the school of any changes to your child's health, in writing. Even if a medication does not need to be administered in school there can be side effects and the more information we have the more able we are to care for your child. Parents are encouraged to come in and discuss any health matters with Mrs Dotchin our Parent Support Advisor or email her at: parentsupportadvisor@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk

PICKING CHILDREN UP FROM THE OFFICE AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

There is a new procedure in place for parents who are picking their child up late from the office. Children should be signed out at the reception desk when they are picked up. This is part of our safeguarding procedures to ensure that all children are safe.

YOUNGSTARS

Youngstars will be running a half-term holiday camp again at Wimbledon Chase this half-term. Children receive a packed day [or half day] of sporting and art and craft activities.

The timings have changed a little from the October half term to fit better with a parent's working day. The camps run from 8.30am – 1pm & 1- 5pm, costing £16 p/half day, £32 p/full day. There is also an Extended Day Pass option [£4] for parents of a 8.15am drop off & 5.30 late collection. We believe this represents good value for parents. We will be sending a survey next week to parents whose children attended in October half term with a view to gathering feedback for future clubs.



If you are interested in booking a place over half term, please follow this link to the Youngstars website and click the Wimbledon Chase button. www.young-stars.co.uk

MEETINGS FOR PARENTS

Please look out for information letters next week on the forthcoming meetings for parents. Due to timetable and activity clashes the IEP meetings are now being held on **Wednesday 7th February** [2.30pm – 5.00pm]. If your child has an IEP (this includes children with an EHCP) please make your appointment via our online booking system - <https://wimbledonchase.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>

Parent Consultations are after half term on Wednesday 21st February [1.30pm – 7.30pm].

TALENT SHOW

The Talent Show is next Wednesday 24th January at 7.00pm. You will have received a letter from Miss Lloyd if your child has been chosen to be in the show [it was an extremely tough job as there was a great deal of talent on display]. If you would like to come to the Talent Show, seats can be booked via our online system - <https://wimbledonchase.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>. Please note that the evening will be filmed and a DVD will be available for purchase.

COMMUNITY DAY - SPRING

If you have any time to spare on Saturday 10th March, we would love you to come and help on our Spring Community Day. It is a day where we give our fantastic school grounds a tidy up to make it look its best for Spring. This year we will be particularly focused on our wildlife area, getting it ready for the children to do some outside learning as the weather becomes warmer. As usual there is a lovely group of parents who are organising the day and will be in touch nearer the time.

STAR WRITER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Bella in 5A as Star Writer this week. Children can be nominated for all types of writing from creative stories and poems to factual and informative writing, or indeed for showing great improvement in their writing.

<http://www.wimbledonchaseschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/190118.pdf>

FIT

You may have heard your children talking about being FIT in class recently! This has nothing to do with PE but is in fact to do with children responding to feedback and marking in their work. FIT stands for *Focused Improvement Time* and the children use a purple pen in Years 3 to 6 or a purple pencil in the younger years to improve their work.

Here are some great examples of reciprocity in FIT!! Year 4 children are working at peer marking using purple pens to improve the evidence in their topic work, adding more relevant vocabulary or any facts they had missed. The children are really enjoying improving their work.

There are more photos on our Twitter page @ChaseWimbledon



REMINDERS

Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the school grounds due to health and safety reasons. Please do not let your children play on the grass after school and encourage them to be off the school grounds by 3.45pm. Thank you.

SUCCESS STORIES

Congratulations to the children who represented the school in the borough indoor athletics competition last week. The children came 5th and were a credit to the school with their competitive spirit and good attitudes.

You may also like to know that Wimbledon Chase is a school that promotes Mindfulness and that Mrs Darlington is our Mindfulness Co-ordinator. This week Mrs Darlington spread the word by running a workshop with the staff at another local primary school along with Ms Zealey at their staff meeting. The staff were greatly enthused by the workshop and we are of course proud that we have such expertise within the school.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Great news! The Wimbledon Chase Triathlon will be on Saturday 28th April. Please put this date in your diary.

Yours sincerely,



K. ELLIS

Acting Headteacher