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Dear Parents,

We have had an interesting 'cold' week; the children have enjoyed the flurries of snow and have wrapped up warm when they are outside. We even had a professional golf coach here, teaching the children in the snow!

On Tuesday we had a visit from our Merton Education Partner, Kate Sheraton, who came and spent the day in classes throughout the whole school, observing the lessons, talking to children and looking at the children's learning in their books. She was very impressed with the school and commented how interesting the lessons were that the teachers had prepared and how impressed she was with how the children were so engaged and enthusiastic and showed great enjoyment about their learning.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Next week it is the school's 94th birthday on the 8th March! Any cards from children will be gratefully received and the traditional daffodil and pussy willow display will be on the entrance table – a tradition from when girls in the original school wore sprigs of daffodil and pussy willow whilst singing the school hymn around the flagpole.

DROPPING CHILDREN OFF

We have had some complaints about Wimbledon Chase parents dropping off their children at the end of the roads that come up to Chase alley. One resident has commented that cars are often driven quickly as parents dash to make the start of the school day and that the turning circle with double yellow lines is used as a short term parking place.

It is important for the school to engage positively with our local community so I would like to remind parents who drop their children off that there is parking in Avebury Road and that a letter from the office can be placed on dashboards in Avebury Road whilst children are taken into school and no parking tickets should be issued.

DOGS

A polite reminder that dogs are not allowed to be brought onto the school grounds. Thank you for your cooperation.



FRIENDS DATES

The Friends have been working very hard to organise some exciting forthcoming events. They will soon be contacting you with more details but here are a few dates to note in your diary.

Easter Egg Hunt	Saturday 17 th March - Nursery to Year 3 [1.00pm – 3.00pm]
Quiz Night	Friday 23 rd March
Zumbathon	TBC
Family Day	Saturday 30 th June

HELP!

Are there any parents who are interested in gardening and would be able to assist regularly at Gardening Club on Wednesdays straight after school until 4.30pm. We could do with an extra pair of hands to help organise the children into effective gardening teams! If you are able to help please can you contact Mrs Hampshire through the office email. Thank you. wcps@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk

STAR WRITERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Mathis in 1B Sonia in 2B and Liam in 5B for great writing this week.

<http://www.wimbledonchaseschool.co.uk/category/star-writer-of-the-week/>

SUCCESS STORIES

We are thrilled to announce that Rio has been selected to dance with the London Children's Ballet in their production of The Canterville Ghost.

Over 670 dancers auditioned for only 56 roles in the company, and Rio has been rehearsing for the production since the beginning of January. Creating a ballet like this is hard work, but it is also a lot of fun!

The Canterville Ghost is a story about Sir Simon Canterville who has haunted his ancestral home since 1584. But when an American family buys Canterville Chase, they find the ghost ridiculous and quaint, and life in the stately home is turned upside down. The Canterville Ghost is both moving and humorous and has been created to appeal to boys, girls and parents alike.

The whole ballet is performed by dancers aged 9-16, with music played by a live orchestra. The Canterville Ghost shows at the Peacock theatre from the 19th to the 22nd of April.

Visit The Peacock's website for more details!

<http://peacocktheatre.com/whats-on/london-childrens-ballet-the-canterville-ghost/>

Well done to Petra who achieved a distinction in her Grade 1 violin exam.

GOODBYE

It is with sadness that we have said goodbye to Tia Fortescue in the office this week. Tia has worked at the school for 6 years, firstly as an excellent Teaching Assistant and as an excellent administrator in the office. We wish her luck in her new job.

Yours sincerely,



K. ELLIS

Acting Headteacher