



## Wimbledon Chase Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The school has been enjoying investigating trees as part of Science this week. Mr Bignal even added to the wide variety of trees that we have at Wimbledon Chase by planting a cherry tree with his class.



I know that the Friends are now organising Family Day and will be contacting you soon for support.



### CHASE ALLEY GATE CODE CHANGE

As advised last week, we will be changing the code on the Chase alley gates on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April. The new code will be sent out to you today and will be available in the school office.

### FRIENDS' QUIZ NIGHT

Many thanks to Jo James, Philippa Beeson, Kirsty Giordani and all the Friends for organising such a fantastic evening. By all accounts it broke records for quiz night fundraising and the 80's theme was a real hit as were the parent's choir who provided the music round!

### TRIATHLON!

The big day is nearly here. Good luck to all competitors and many thanks to the army of volunteers that are helping out tomorrow. Special thanks must go to Gina Galbraith for taking over the organisation and running of the day, it is a huge task. The Triathlon has become a staple in the Wimbledon Chase calendar and is such a popular event, not to mention a much needed fundraiser for the school.

Children should bring sponsor forms with them on Saturday and have them signed after they have completed the event. Please do your best to get sponsors for the children - the money doesn't need to be brought in until after the weekend.



## REMINDERS

IESP meetings are on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.  
**Share My Learning** evening is on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

Please sign up via the booking system:

<https://wimbledonchase.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

## SUMMER TERM COMMUNITY DAY 12<sup>th</sup> MAY

We are always grateful to the volunteers who help keep the school's magnificent grounds looking pristine over the year. We would like to have another Community Day this term that particularly focuses on our wildlife garden area. We try to make use of our grounds all year round but of course the Summer Term is the best for outside learning so we want to get that area ready. If you can spare an hour or two [or more!] on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May** then we would be extremely grateful. More information will follow nearer the time.

## STAR WRITERS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Josie in 2C. She has been awarded it for her brilliant ideas and independent work.

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

## MEDICINE

Our stocks of Calpol and Piriton are beginning to run low in the office. Any donations of the medicines to the office will be gratefully received.

## SCHOOL BUDGET

As you know budgets are challenging for schools again this year which means we rely even more on the money donated by parents to our School Amenities Fund. Thank you so much for supporting the school this way. Please can I gently remind those of you who haven't already

signed up to the standing order, to consider doing so before the end of term. It enables us to continue providing the extra things that we can no longer afford under the delegated budget. I have attached the most recent Amenities Fund letter that outlines how we spend this invaluable source of income.  
Thank you for your help.

## PARENT WORKSHOPS YEARS 5&6

If you are a Year 5 or 6 parent you may be interested in a course being run by **Gill Hines**, a well-known behaviour specialist, on *Preparing for Change – parenting in the pre-teens*. The course will be at Wimbledon Chase on the 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of May from 7.00 to 9.00 pm. Please check your ParentMail for details on how to apply.

There will also be a parent workshop around **Children with ASD and ADHD** held at the school on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June** at 9.00 am. Please look out for the flier with booking information which will be sent out soon.

## SUMMER TERM REMINDERS

**Snacks:** children should have their healthy snacks stored in the bag that they bring into the classroom. The dining hall is locked at playtime so children will be unable to retrieve snacks that are kept in lunchboxes.

**Football:** children have been told that they are not to play football in the playground or on the grass before or after school. There have been some incidents of younger children being hurt by footballs at these times. Thank you for helping us reinforce this.

**Hay Fever medicine** should be administered to your children before they come to school and keep us informed of your child's medical needs in writing.

**Sun cream** should be applied before school when the weather starts to get warmer.

**Sun hats or caps** should be of the school colour (navy blue) and should be named.

**Card Club** will run on Tuesday lunchtime. Children can only bring their cards in on club day.

### SUCCESS STORIES

Over the Easter holidays Amy in Year 4, one of our expert gymnasts, competed in the South East Regional Grades (covering Surrey, East & West Sussex and Kent) in beam, bars, floor, vault and range. She won the silver medal. Her overall mark was 60.4 and the gold medal mark was just 60.425, so it was a really close final! Amy has now qualified to compete in the British Gymnastics National Finals in May. This is a huge achievement for her- well done!

**Tennis** – Last Friday, 20 April, the Year 5 and 6 tennis team competed at the MSSP Borough Tennis Finals at the AELTC Ground in Raynes Park. Our team won through to the final but eventually lost to Poplar Primary by just one point. Congratulations to the team for their silver medal performance.

<http://www.mertonssp.org.uk/news/mssp-year-56-mini-tennis-orange-finals>



### VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

We have been asked by Age UK Merton to bring a volunteering opportunity to your notice. Age UK Merton are looking for a new Front of House volunteer which they feel would be perfect for parents who are looking to gain experience in this area as the hours are from 9am/10am – 2pm/3pm. If you are interested please follow the link to their website, the front of house role appears first.

<https://www.ageuk.org.uk/merton/get-involved/volunteer/>

### FINALLY

You may be interested in checking out the photos of our Mastery for Maths evening and our Spring Musical evening last term which are now on our website gallery.

<http://www.wimbledonchaseschool.co.uk/category/gallery/>

Finally, please remember that school is **closed** next **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May** for an INSET day and also on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May** for the May Day Bank Holiday.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Ellis'.

K. ELLIS

Acting Headteacher