



## Newsletter 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018

### Dates for your diary

19<sup>th</sup> July 2018

9.30am Leavers Assembly, all  
Year 2 parents welcome

20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

12.30pm Nursery closes  
1.45pm School Finishes

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018

School inset days – teaching  
staff only

5<sup>th</sup> September 2018

School opens for children

### School News

#### Art Exhibition

What a wonderful lot of artists you all have! It was lovely to see the children's fabulous art work displayed during open afternoon. There is still a chance to purchase your child's artwork for £10, please bring any money in by Monday morning. Thank you for your support as budgets are being cut, this helps supply us with the little things.

Thank you to Mrs M-L Jones for arranging the exhibition.

#### Indoor Sports Event

On Wednesday morning, all of the children enjoyed participating in each of the events they had been practising for in their PE sessions.

Well done to the red team for winning this year's Indoor Sports Event.

#### Inset Days 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> September

Mrs Bland's Infant and Nursery School will be starting back on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September for children. Funzone will be running on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>, please book your child in as soon as possible.

#### Vacancies

We are currently looking for a play worker to help at Funzone on Monday and Tuesday mornings from 7.30-8.45am, term time only. If you are interested, please speak to the office staff.

#### Nursery Open Afternoon

Acorns will be open for parents to come in to look at their child's work and celebrate all of their achievements over the last academic year. You will be able to sit quietly and let your child show you their work. The times and dates are as follows:

**Afternoon Children – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July – from 2.00 to 3.30pm**

**Morning Children – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July – from 9.00 to 10.30am**

*Hats, hats and more hats and of course water bottles...please don't forget to send your children in with them every day!*

## Little Acorns Pre-Nursery

### PTA Dates

**Don't forget to bring in your coppers this June**

### Get in Touch via –

[mrsblandspata@gmail.com](mailto:mrsblandspata@gmail.com)

**or catch someone in the playground –**

**Rachel James, Gareth Bowen, Lizi Hawkins, Beki Streeter**

Great excitement this week as we found we not only have baby courgettes growing but a tomato and some green beans! We enjoyed lots and lots of water play again - washing toys, watering and playing with water wheels and water squirters! We read a new story about a fish "Hooray fish!" and sang lots of songs. We have been making patterns and hand print fish! We had a special snack time where we had an ice lolly and a special seaside Friday with lots of exciting activities.

### Acorn Nursery

This week in Nursery, we read the story: 'Anna carries water'. The story is about a little girl that learns to carry water in a can on her head to provide for her family in Africa. To accompany the story, we made our own 'clay' water pots and we look forward to painting them next week. In maths, we have learnt language of capacity: full, half-full and empty and we have compared the weight of items using bucket scales. Our Friday 'seaside surprise' was a great way to celebrate the end of a successful year. We hope the children enjoyed it as much as we did!

### Maple and Beech News (Reception)

First of all, we would like to say a BIG thank you to all the grown-ups who came in this week to see the children's work. The children loved sharing their achievements with you. We hope you are as proud of them as we all are. We have ended the week with our seaside day, where the children were transported to the British seaside. The children loved the visiting Punch and Judy Show and got into the spirit of things, shouting "That's the way to do it! We also had donkey rides and ice creams as a special treat to end our topic. Next week will be our last week. Please can any library books and reading books be returned so the shelves are filled for next year's Reception children. PE will be taking place as usual so please ensure kits are in school on Monday.

### Birch and Willow (Year 1)

Time seems to be running away in year 1! It is difficult to believe that next week will be the last week of term! We've continued learning about Mary Anning and her amazing discovery of an ichthyosaurus in the cliffs at Lyme Regis. Money has continued to be our focus in maths – adding amounts and giving change. Very important life skills! Thank you too for stopping by to our Open Afternoon – it was fabulous to see so many of you and of course the children were delighted to share their learning with you. Clay fossils and dinosaurs will be wrapped up and sent home for your mantelpieces next week!! And of course the art exhibition was a huge success. Fantastic fossil and dinosaur masterpieces! We also enjoyed a mini sports morning in the hall (in our team colours) led by Danny and Mrs Williams. Plenty of stickers were given out too! Finally, a big thank you from the Year 1 team for all your support this year. It is much appreciated.

## Hazel and Rowan News (Year 2)

This week in writing, both Rowan and Hazel classes have been writing memories of their time at Mrs Bland's, including their favourite trips, how they made their first friends and how they felt on their first day in a particular year group.

On Monday afternoon, Year 2 were excited to pay yet another visit to Garlands, this time to watch the Year 6 Leaver's play which they thoroughly enjoyed.

Sports morning inside was great fun and very competitive, but everyone still managed to finish with a small collection of stickers!

Year 2 have also been rehearsing very hard each day for their leaver's assembly next week. We look forward to performing it for you on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 9.30am. If you haven't already sent in your child's costume, please ensure that they have this by Monday 16<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks.



### Forest School



It was the last Forest School session of the school year for Maple and Beech this week.

Due to the continuing hot weather we did not have a fire but a very special treat instead, ice cream in cones in the woods! We also played with the solar shower and water guns and had great fun playing our own games!

Both classes have been wonderful and a special thank you goes to all the volunteers we had as without you we could not have had so much fun!

### Stars of the Week



### Friendship Stars



### Perfect Presentation

**Aiden - Hazel**  
**Mark - Hazel**  
**Martyna - Hazel**