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Newsletter 16th September 2022



*Queen
Elizabeth II*

— 1926-2022 —

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

This week, all the children across the school have been working hard and continuing to make a positive impression on their teachers! They have been immersed in lots of new and exciting topics and have shown real curiosity. I walked around school today and captured some of the children's highlights from this week.

Penny, Wisteria:

I like going outside and playing.

Riley, Cherry:

I really enjoyed my English lessons as we were writing about the Great Fire of London.

Aarav, Ash:

I have enjoyed Maths lessons and learning about tens.

Navil, Hawthorn:

I have enjoyed Science as we have been learning about sound. We played different musical instruments and investigated how they vibrated.

Evie, Juniper:

I liked the RE lessons this week because we were learning about happiness.

William, Redwood:

I enjoyed my PM Pal training as it was lots of fun.

Tommy, Cedar:

I have enjoyed learning about Ancient Egypt in English. We have been reading a biography about a famous Egyptian Queen and her family.

We have also seen lots of our avid readers bringing their Summer Reading Challenge certificates into school ready for our special assembly. As we are closed on Monday as a mark of respect for Her Majesty, The Queen, we will re-schedule our reading assembly for Friday 23rd September.

Have a restful weekend

Mrs J Lewry
Headteacher

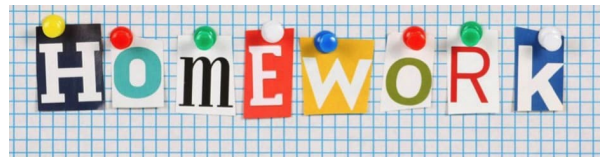


Homework Survey

We are reviewing our homework practices across the school and would very much value the input of our parents so we can ensure our provision meets your expectations.

The link to the survey was sent out earlier this week and thank you to those who have already responded.

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Data Collection Sheets

Data collection sheets were sent home this week. If any amendments are needed, please update and return forms in an envelope to the school office by **Friday 23rd September**.

REMEMBER

School will be closed on Monday 19th September as a mark of respect for the Queen's State Funeral. School will reopen on Tuesday 20th September at the normal time.



NOTICE

Monday 19th September

Bank Holiday for the
State Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II

This Week's Achievement and PSHE Awards

Wisteria
Cherry
Oak
Ash
Hawthorn
Juniper
Maple
Acer
Redwood
Cedar

SCHOOL

Anshumaan Dixit
Isla Hooper
Arthur Berntsen
Alistair O'Flynn Chivers
Michal Jankowski
Alexis Tingay
Kai Ratcliffe
Alex Thurstan
Alex Griffiths
Layla-Skye Taylor

PSHE

Elsie Metcalf
Noah Callow
Jack Baker
Harper Graham
Lily Scott
Ibrahima Diallo
Levi Nagy-Galfi
Mercedes Ridd
Ana Souza
Aleigha-Mae Terry



EYFS TEACHING ASSISTANT Required as soon as possible

We have an exciting opportunity within our school for a Teaching Assistant to work in our Early Years Foundation Stage class.

Apprenticeship route also available
1 Year FTC
Full Time

Grade B1 to B3 £18,333 to £18,887 pro rata

For an application pack and further information, please email Mrs J Burgess (Office Manager):

jburgess@speenhamland.newburyacademytrust.org

HOUSE WINNER

The Dragon's Eggs results for this week are:

1st Laal 247
2nd Verde 244
3rd Azul 207
4th Zolty 204

Congratulations to Laal!

Attendance

This week's attendance is 97.78%
Last week's attendance was 92.42%
This is amazing.

Keep up the good work everyone!

London to Brighton Off Road Cycle

Our Caretaker James and his son are taking part in the London to Brighton Off Road Cycle tomorrow, in aid of the Mind charity.

They have chosen this charity to support and raise awareness of mental health. They believe that it is important to take care of your mental health and seek support from others.

The work of Mind is invaluable and charity donations fund their incredible work. Any donations, however small, will be greatly appreciated.

Good luck James and Louie!

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/TheWebsterBoys?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_fundraiser_page_donation_received_nth_donation&utm_content=89131e9a-502e-46bb-9142-2063fc2b0954&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1663256102527

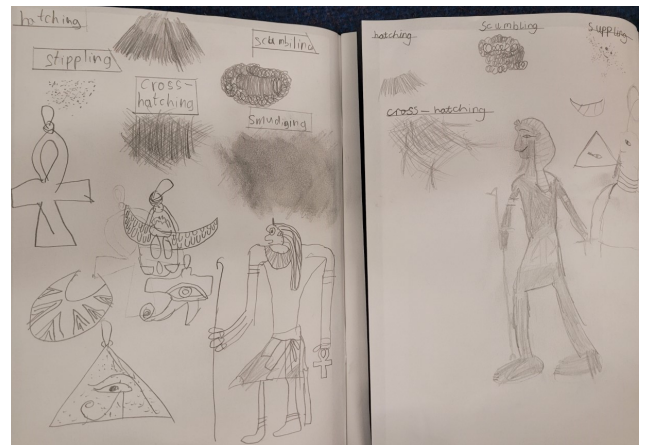


CHILDREN'S AMAZING WORK THIS WEEK

The Lower Juniors experimented with using natural resources as paints, just like they did in the Stone Age!



Some beautiful sketching of Egyptian people and artefacts from Gabi Zalari and Tom Collins (Cedar Class)



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KS1 enjoyed dressing up as Tudors and finding out the different ways of life during that time compared to today. There was no electricity, lots of rat catchers and many children would be working as chimney-sweeps.



WISTERIA CLASS

This week, the children in Reception started our Write Dance sessions, making large marks to music and learning to tear paper, all of which helps to build our large motor skills ready to start writing.



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