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Yelvertoft Primary Concerns

Dear Parents & Carers.

We have had another busy week in school. As I am sure you are aware Miss Morris is not currently in school but we do have two super teachers who are taking good care of the class during her absence. If parents in Willow have any queries please speak to Mr White in the school office. I would like to share with you some exciting news that Miss Harding will be getting married next weekend. When she returns on Monday 12th February she will be Mrs Harding-Kirk.

Thankfully the weather has improved, and sunshine helps create a great environment. Please continue to send your children into school in warm coats, hats, scarves and clothes. Their fingers do get particularly cold at playtime and lunchtime.

We will be celebrating the Chinese New Year at the beginning of February and Shrove Tuesday. The children will not need to wear anything different on these days, but they will be learning about the celebrations and taking part in activities including making pancakes in their classes.

Wishing you a peaceful weekend.

Mel Servent

Records of Achievement

Congratulations to all the children who have received awards so far over this term.

Willow Class

Charlie and Dougie for beautiful letter formation. Isla J - for fantastic rhyming pairs activity

Chestnut Class

Florence C - great work in phonics this week Florence P - brilliant descriptive writing in English Eliza - for always being super helpful around school

Oak Class

Tommy - for showing a wonderful attitude to learning in all subjects. Holly - always trying her best and having an answer to give when asked. Noah - for giving lots of great ideas in English. David- showing improvements in all subjects.

Hazel Class

Charlie - For your effort and perseverance in your learning. Great enthusiasm! Brax - Pushing yourself with your reading. Wonderful enthusiasm! Eva - For always helping others in need. Thank you!

Nancy - Dedicating yourself to your learning and doing extra whenever you can.
Well done!

HOUSEPOINTS

BRONZE AWARD

<u>WILLOW</u>
Mayah & Dougie
<u>CHESTNUT</u>
Teddy
<u>OAK</u>
Emily S & Oscar J

SILVER AWARD

CHESTNUT

Mabel/Florence C

Important notes and reminders



Parking - Can parents please use the village hall for parking and turning around when dropping and collecting children.

Breakfast club is available from 8am - You do not need to book in advance.

Shepherd's Delight Every Wednesday 15:15/15:30 - 16:30 KS1/KS2 - We have spaces, but you must be quick. Please email the office if your child would like to attend, and we'll pass them on to Rev Jo.

If your child is unwell, it is <u>your responsibility</u> to let us know as soon as possible. Call the school on 01788 822498 and select option 1. Please leave your child's name, their class name, and the reason for absence. You should call each day they will be absent.

If you are interested in volunteering in school this new year, we will be very grateful of your assistance. Please let the office know what you can do to support the school.

Please use the <u>office@yelvertoft.school</u> email for all communication to the school. Any previous email addresses have been closed. If you have a message for a specific member of staff, please make this clear within your email, and we will pass this on quickly.

Homebase Daventry are kindly providing the school with an invaluable new shed for our sports equipment. Thank you, Adie and your team.

A huge thanks to **Geoff** and team at www.thereadingroom.uk for providing funds to help us furnish the shed. The school children are VERY grateful!

 $\mbox{\bf Ella}$ is still working her magic, keeping us well. A truly super member of the team.

House Points

STANFORD 575 HOLLOWELL 586 RAVENSTHORPE 743 NASEBY 638

Wellbeing - School Counsellor

We do have a trained school counsellor in the school who will be providing an amazing counselling service offering mental health support to staff and pupils. This is being provided by Miss Shaw. Childhood and adolescence can be a very difficult and confusing time and pupils may be struggling with their emotions which can have a negative effect on their mood, school, and home life. Talking things through with a trained therapist can help them to make sense of themselves and what is going on for them so that things can feel more manageable.

Miss Shaw is spending time with each class during lunchtime both in the classroom and in the playground.



School Governors

Have you ever thought of joining our governing body?

We are currently looking for a new parent governor as well as a co-opted governor, which can be a member of the local community who does not need to be related to a pupil at the school.

If you are interested, please do email me to find out more head@yelvertoft.northants-ecl.gov.uk or speak to Chris Bolton who is our new current chair of governors.

YELVERTOFT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Watch this space for upcoming events and updates.

Many thanks to the YSA for supporting the school and enabling us to provide enrichments to the children's learning.

Dates for the term		
Tuesday 6 th February 2024	Cinema Night	Make sure you have paid and returned the acceptance authority slip by no later than 2 nd Feb. Yelvertoft School Association
Monday 15 th & Tuesday 16 th April	Bikeability for year 5 pupils	 Please ensure you have returned the slips by this Monday 5th February
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