



## Friday 10 May 2019

I have been really proud to walk around the school this week and be greeted by so many children wanting to share their home learning, their school learning and talk to me about their positive choices. I have seen so many children going 'above and beyond'. Hot Chocolate Friday was a day early this week and the chosen children couldn't wait to tuck in to the marshmallows. I was particularly proud to share the time with some children who have made a determined effort to achieve this reward and whose behaviour has been transformed. Well done everyone!

Mrs Frampton

Next week our KS1 and KS2 SATs start.  
We wish our Year 6s and Year 2s all the luck for these SATs.

Rose and Ella – Head and Deputy Head Girl  
Alfie and Ryan – Head and Deputy Head Boy

### Welcome and welcome back!

Miss Briant has returned this week after her maternity leave. It has been lovely to welcome her back to our school team and the children have enjoyed seeing her. We would like to thank Mrs Gaines for her dedication to the class during Miss Briant's absence – we know she is going to miss them and them her!

Mrs Gaines will still be working in the Infants during Read Write Inc but will also be working in classes across the school for this term.

We are also welcoming Mrs Thacker as our new Senior Finance Officer this week. I know some of you have already met her and she is keen to support you in any way she can. If you have any issues with Parent Pay or ordering school meals, please ask to speak to her.

### Parent Partnership

We are always looking for ways to strengthen our partnership with you as parents. We are currently part of a project with other schools to trial different ways of communicating with parents and encouraging greater involvement. As part of this project we will be sending home a questionnaire which we really hope you will complete and return. We are also looking for some parents to become part of a working party to develop these ideas further. If you are interested in joining this, please let us know via the main reception.

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### KS2 SATs

Next week Year 6 will be sitting their end of Key Stage Two tests. They are well prepared for these and believe it or not, they will enjoy the week! The tests run on Monday to Thursday (there are no tests on Friday) and we will be starting each test morning with a hot breakfast for Year 6 children. Please ensure your child is at school for 8.30am. Even if your child does not want to eat, the time with friends and staff helps to calm any nerves and ensures they are on time and not rushed.

If your child feels unwell on a test morning, please talk to us as soon as possible as there are arrangements we can make to accommodate this.

Finally, whilst these tests are important and we want the children to do as well as they possibly can, they only test a very small part of the curriculum and we know your child is much more than what they achieve in these tests. We are incredibly proud of all of Y6 and their talents – many of which are not tested next week.

Well done Y6 and good luck!

### Fairthorne Parent meeting

A reminder that there is an information meeting for Year 6 parents (children may attend too) on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 3.30pm. If you are unable to attend, some information will be sent home.

### Attendance

The school's attendance target is 96%.

Whole school – 95.05%

Year 6 – 94.89%

Year 5 – 95.17%

Year 4 – 95.41%

Year 3 – 95.79%

Year 2 – 94.36%

Year 1 – 93.94%

Well done to Miss Carpenter's class for having two weeks of 100% attendance!

The next newsletter will be on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019

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