

The Weald C E (A) Primary School
Spring Term Issue 4



Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week was another busy week at The Weald with our HMI monitoring visit on Wednesday and Thursday, a netball tournament, a Year Five trip to Bough Beech and a cross country race on Friday. We are pleased to report that our Year Five and Year Six netball team excelled, winning all matches. In the previous week we achieved third place in the Dorking Tag Rugby Tournament and I am looking forward to hearing the cross county results from Friday.

Kind regards,

Stephanie Scutter & Esther Brooks



Friends of The Weald

Thank you to all of the Friends of the Weald who arranged and supported the Chinese New Year Firework display, it was a wonderful evening.

The PTA has arranged several events to celebrate Easter. On **Friday 27th March**, the last day of term, children can come to school with an Easter Bonnet or an Easter T shirt that they have decorated. We will hold an Easter Bonnet / T- shirt parade in the hall and the Friends of the Weald will award a prize to one child in every class...be as creative as you can and enjoy making the bonnets and T-shirts with your children!

The Friends of the Weald have kindly agreed to **buy every child in the school a small Cadbury's Easter Egg**. I am sure that you will agree, the children deserve this special treat as a thank you for their hard work, we are so proud of them. Please inform the office if, for any reason, you do not want your child to receive an egg. An alternative can be provided if there are allergies etc.

20th March- Cake sale - Please could Year 3 and 4 bring in cakes on that morning and all other years bring their purses. Cakes are 25p each.

Welcome Back

This week we welcome Mrs Diserens back to school. We are grateful to the several supply teachers, Mrs Susanne Thompson and Mr Swithenbank who have ensured consistency of teaching over this time. I know 4D will be very pleased to see Mrs Diserens today.















Red Nose Day - Making a difference to a worthwhile cause

On **Friday 13th March** we will be celebrating Red Nose Day. In return for a donation to this worthwhile cause, children may wear red clothes and red noses. However, face paint, make up or hair colouring **must not** be worn.

In the afternoon, the children will have an opportunity to create a silly face / mask using a paper plate to bring home. If they would like to bring some of their own decorations for these masks, they may bring them in a named, clear plastic zip wallet on Friday.

Maths Problem of the week



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Netball
Match

Well done to the Year 5 and 6 girls who took part in the netball match between Powell Corderoy on Wednesday 4th March. Year 5 won 2-0 and Year 6 won 13-3. They will be looking forward to meeting up with Powell Corderoy at the 2 tournaments coming up on the 10th and 17th March.

Reports

Reports will be sent home at the end of term for children in Year 1,3,4,5 and 6. The reports will indicate if your child is working below, at or above age related expectations. As you may well be aware, the national curriculum levels are being removed (with the exception of Year Two and Year Six this year) and are being replaced by age related expectations. The new national Curriculum is of a somewhat higher standard than the previous curriculum. A letter detailing these changes will be attached to the reports.

A parents evening letter will be sent home this week for families with children in reception and Year Two. Due to the end of year assessments in Year two and in reception, reports are sent at the end of the year for this year group.

NEWS from the IEB

The two weeks since the end of half-term have been both busy and productive. During last week we had our termly inspection from HMI and your children were magnificent. They were happy and engaged in their learning and were polite and well-behaved throughout the week. We should receive the Inspector's report in the next 2-3 weeks and it will be put on the school's website as soon as we have it. We are also scheduling a meeting for parents on **Wednesday 25th March at 7:30pm** at which we will review the report and answer any questions about it. In the event that we haven't received the report by then, we would still plan to hold the meeting so that we can provide a general update to parents.

Thank you to everyone who completed the Parent View questionnaire on the Ofsted website. We will be reviewing your responses when we meet as an IEB next week and ensure that the actions that we have planned over the coming months will address the issues and concerns that have been raised.

Following discussions with the Local Authority, we are receiving some extra support until the end of this term from two very experienced Headteachers. Mr Anthony Marsh is the Headteacher at Whyteleafe Primary School and Mr Ian Keary is Head of School at The Glyn Secondary School. They provide additional School Improvement Support to work on the priorities that Mrs Scutter and Mrs Brooks have identified.

We have also been having discussions with the Department for Education (DfE) and the Good Shepherd Trust (GST) about the school's academisation. There will be a meeting next week between the DfE, GST, Surrey County Council, IEB and the school's leadership to plan the actions necessary between now and September. This will include a review of any physical or environmental improvements that may be needed and the GST will also be seeking parents' views on improvements that are required. We will provide an update on this at the meeting on 25th March.

Finally, a huge 'thank you' to everyone who has been involved in fundraising activities with FOTW this term. It's very clear that the organising team know how to put the 'fun' into fundraising!

Bob Arnold

School Office News

Class Photos

The Class photos will be taken on Monday 16th March so please remember to send the children in with smart uniform that day!

Scopay Online

Just to let you know that Scopay is in the process of being sorted and should be done by the middle of this week. Any administration or technical faults on this system is dealt with by Scopay, not by the school. If you have any complaints, please call or email them direct.

Parentmail

We have been sending out registration invitations via SMS and email. However, a large number of people have not yet verified their accounts. If you need a re-registration, please email us on info@weald.surrey.sch.uk or call us on 01306 711719. The new Parentmail module offers us a lot of scope to make more use of electronic communications including online surveys, so we hope that as many people as possible do register for a fast and effective way to receive communications from school. Also, it saves a lot of printing and paper which has to be a good thing!

News from the Kitchen

Please note that the kitchen, as well as providing hot dinners, can also supply your child with a packed lunch at the same cost, if they would prefer this. Please could you let the office know if you would like your child to have a school packed lunches. With regard to KS1 children, these meals will be free of charge. The kitchen will need a week's notice if you would like to change.

Dinner Money

Dinner money for this half term is £52.50. Please arrange to pay promptly, either via the school office or via Scopay online. Failure to do so may result in your child having to bring in a packed lunch. The school office team can be contacted Monday to Friday 8.00am – 5.00pm on 01306 711719 or email: info@weald.surrey.sch.uk

Diary

Spring Term 2015

March

16	Class photos to be taken - smart uniform please
13	Red Nose Day - red clothes and red noses
20	Weald Book Day - dress as your favourite book character
20	Cake Sale provided by Year 3 / 4 after school
25	Year 3/4 Pied Piper Production at 10am
25	Parents Update Meeting at 7.30pm
26	Year 3/4 Pied Piper Production at 2pm
27	End of Term 1.20 / 1.30 pm

Summer Term 2015

April

13	INSET day - school closed for pupils
14	Summer Term begins - pupils back

May

1	INSET Day - School closed for pupils
w/c 25	Half Term

June

8	Year 6 Leavers Service at Guildford Cathedral 10.00 am 11.30 am
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July

21	End of Term 1.20pm / 1.30 pm
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