

26th March 2018

No. 12

Dear Parents/Carers

Safeguarding**Mercury class**

I am very pleased to be able to inform you that we have successfully appointed a teacher for Mercury class, to cover in Mrs Savage's absence. The teacher's name is Miss Abby Mcphee. Some of you may remember that Miss Mcphee worked for us about five years ago and covered for Mrs Hopkins' maternity leave. We were very sad to say goodbye to Miss Mcphee so we are thrilled to be able to welcome her back and hope she will be very happy with us once again.

If all goes according to plan Miss Mcphee will join us on Tuesday 8th May, with Mrs Savage leaving us on Friday 11th May, which will allow for a few days of handover.

CLASS + coffee morning

On Friday 20th April CLASS + will be hosting a coffee morning in the school hall from 9am until 10.30am. CLASS is the Communication, Language and Autism Support Service. The focus of part of the morning will be **"How can I support my anxious child to manage their worries?"** This event is open to anyone who feels it may be of benefit and will give parents a chance to share strategies and give mutual support. Do come along if you are able; there is no need to make an appointment.

Egg rolling and competition- reminder

The last day of term is Thursday 29th March. During the afternoon of that day there will be two competitions; one is the egg rolling for which the children will need a named hard-boiled egg. **Please note that the egg should not be varnished or painted with anything other than water based paint, it should also be a hen's egg not a duck egg or anything similar.** For those of you who have not been at Burwash for egg rolling before; the children traditionally try to roll/throw their egg as far as they can down the school field. The winning egg is the egg that travels furthest without breaking.

The second competition is a challenge for the children to make something creative within the general theme of Easter/Spring. For this, children will need to bring in any type of Spring/Easter art that they have created. If children do not wish to take part in this competition, that is fine.

Please do join us for these events which will take place on the school field (weather permitting). The timetable of events is as follows-

| Class | Egg roll and judging |
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| Jupiter | 2.00pm |
| Neptune | 2.10pm |
| Venus | 2.20pm |
| Mars | 2.30pm |
| Mercury | 2.40pm |
| Pluto | 2.50pm |
| Pre-school children(no art competition for preschool children) | 3.00pm |

Please note that only the churchyard gate will be opened at 1.55pm, for safety reasons

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Malawi

You will remember that following the visit to Malawi Mrs Ricca and I spoke to the children about what they felt they would like to do to support our link school "Maganga Primary". We all decided that it would be great to be able to raise enough money to have all the classrooms painted and to then paint on some educational decoration such as number lines or alphabets. We hope that this will lighten the classrooms and will greatly improve the environment, which is somewhat grim at present. We have been trying to get a quote to complete this work and our recent toy/book sale that you all supported so well, was specifically in aid of this. We raised just over £150 at the sale and the day after the sale the quote arrived at school. The quote for paint and labour for the whole school was £150. This is fantastic news as it means we can pay for this initiative straight away.

Bewl Residential

There will be a meeting for parents of children attending the Y6 residential week at Bewl water on 22nd May at 3pm.

Road Closure

We have been informed that School Hill will be closed from 09/04/18-20/04/18 due to essential works. There is no vehicular access during this time.



Debbie Gilbert
Headteacher

| Dates | |
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| 26 th March | Y3/4 play 6pm |
| 27 th March | Y3/4 play 2pm |
| 29 th March | Egg rolling 2pm LAST day of term 4 |
| 30.3.18-15.4.18 | Easter Holidays |
| 16 th April | Term 5 starts |
| 18 th April | Easter service in church 9.15am |
| 20th April | CLASS+ coffee morning 9am-10.30am |
| 7 th May | May day bank holiday |
| 14 th May-17 th May | Y6 SATs week |
| 22nd May | Bewl Water residential meeting for parents in school hall 3pm |
| 28 th May- 1 st June | Whitsun Break |
| INSET DAYS 4 and 5 | June 15 th and June 18 th |
| 25th-29th June | Bewl residential week Y6 |
| 3rd July | Prospective parents evening for children starting in reception in Sept 2018 |
| 5th July | Open morning- more details to follow |
| 9th July | Sports afternoon- more details to follow |