



'BIRCHANGER BUZZ'

'Learn to Love, Love to Learn'

Friday 15th September, 2017

This week our children continued their learning and our new children have impressed the staff by how well they have settled in. Our older children, especially those in Owls class, have repeatedly shown the school values of love and care by the way that they have supported our new children in the lunch hall, at break time and even by playing football with some, thank you to those children who are showing kindness to others.

School Councillors

This week our school councillors were elected by the children in their class. Democracy is very important in our school council and so each of our councillors were elected by their class. Led by Miss Marshall – Spence the council will meet weekly to cover a range of issues including how to improve the school and wider issues affecting the lives of children. Each week the councillors will report back to the class councils in every class so that the whole school is involved. After half term we shall be introducing a parent council, so watch this space for more information. The Years 1, 2 & 4 councillors are spread between Dragonfly, Hedgehogs, Badgers class and Squirrels classes

Our school councillors are:

Dragonfly class – Jennifer, Elizabeth & Alfie

Hedgehogs class – Dylan, Sarah & Archie R

Badger class – Evie, Freddie, Sara

Squirrels class – Lucas, Archie, Verena

Owls class – Christian and Isabelle

Meet the Teacher sessions

Our Meet the Teacher meetings have begun this week with Dragonfly and Badgers classes.

Remaining dates are:

Hedgehogs – 21st September

Owls & Squirrels class – 20th September

Stars of the Week

Every week we shall share the names of our Stars of the week on the buzz. We shall continue to hand out certificates during assembly to those children who have shown good learning behaviour as well as demonstrating our school values.

This week's winners are:

Dragonfly Class – Joshua & Jennifer

Hedgehogs Class – Francesca, George C & Lily J

Badgers class – Abigail, Freddie & Alexander

Squirrels Class – Connie & Rhys

Owls Class – Alex & Abbie

House Captains

We have also used the power of democracy to elect House Captains from Year 6 and again one boy and one girl have been chosen for these leadership roles. Our House captains are:

Cedar – Lewis and Holly

Birch – Alex and Amariah

Willow – Josh and Millie

Sports ambassadors

To reflect the importance of sport in the life of Birchanger Primary School we have also appointed some sports ambassadors. This group will lead lunch time activities and sport in our school. We are keen for them to get started so they will start their training next week!

Our ambassadors are:

Ellie, Amy, Ellen, Alfie, Luke and Stanmore

Uniform

We put out our spare unclaimed uniform on Monday after school. There was a large pile and all of the uniform left will go to charity. Thank you for everyone who has named their child's uniform as it helps us to return your uniform and stop another pile from developing. Could I also ask that hair accessories are in line with the school uniform so blue, brown or black hair bands are ideal. Also, please could the large bows stay at home.

Roots to Food

On Tuesday Darren from Roots to Food visited us and we were treated to a great cookery experience. In the morning Badgers, Squirrels and Owls classes learned about food groups and then two groups were chosen to take part in a 'Ready, steady Cook!' challenge. The groups created their own dishes and Isabelle in Yr 6 decided that they were both delicious. If you would like to try the recipes at home (and I know that I will) then please see the recipes attached at the end of this newsletter.

In the afternoon Dragonfly and Hedgehog class all tried a practical approach making stromboli using pizza dough. The stromboli were cooked at school and then sent home, I wonder how many were eaten before they arrived there. Stanmore summed up his experience by saying that he found the experience very fun and exciting, he learnt so much. He loved the dishes the way it looked and the way it tasted. His words, 'Everything & I loved it!'. Our thanks goes to Darren and TCS for running the event.



Birchanger Art Show

The village Art Show will take place next weekend 23rd & 24th September from 10:30am.

The children have decorated their flower pots in School and please do go along and vote which will be anonymous and the winner will be announced in the Sharing assembly.

Key dates for your diary

Harvest Festival – Tuesday 3rd October

Christingle – Thursday 7th December

Have a great weekend

Claire Berry