



'BIRCHANGER BUZZ'

'Learn to Love, Love to Learn'

Thursday 19th October, 2017

Photos from the Residential trip



From 3.15 – 3.45pm today we shall be showing a wide selection of photographs from the Residential journey in Owl's classroom. This will be a good opportunity for the

children who went away to share some of their achievements. Children and parents are very welcome to watch these photos. However, if your child is from one of the younger classes and you are curious to see what happens on a Residential trip then please come along too. It will be a great opportunity to see how wonderful the children were and how they embraced some really tough challenges.

Parent feedback

Thank you for the feedback that you have given us about the Residential trip and assemblies your comments are really useful as we look for ways to improve our school.

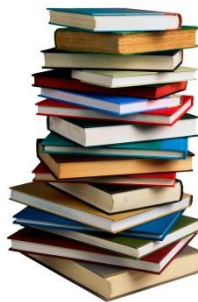


Operation Christmas Child

Thank you and well done to all those who created the filled show boxes for Operation Christmas child. Our thanks goes to Mrs Bayford and Mrs Russell for their hard work. The boxes will be dispatched to the collection centre during the half term holiday and we will let you know where they are sent to.



Star of the Week



There will be no Star of the Week this week as we are dedicating today's assembly to the large number of Reading Incentive awards.

The assembly will start at 2.30pm when many of our children will receive either a bronze, silver or gold award for the reading that they have done at home. Well done to Miss Lucas for organising this.

Attendance awards

Next half term we shall be launching our attendance awards. Look out for more details in the Buzz after half term.

Closing date for Secondary school places 2018
Don't forget that the closing date for applying for secondary school places is 31st October, 2017

Golden Leaves

We will also award our golden leaves today. These awards have been nominated and voted for by the children themselves and will be presented each half term. The golden leaves will then be displayed in our school entrance hall for everyone to see.



Bags

The date for the Happy School Bag collection is 30th October so if you are having a clear out over half term then please consider filling a bag to make money for our school. The money raised will go to new books for our library.

Please bring your bags and leave them outside the school Office.

The PTA are holding another of their popular film events. It will be held on 10th November and the film is Captain Underpants. The event will run from 3.30pm – 5.30pm. Details were sent out in book bags yesterday – please return your consent forms together with payment.

The PTA invite you to join them for their planning meeting on 6th November. It will start at 7.30pm and the venue will be announced once we return to school.

School uniform.

The way that you can order school uniform will be changing shortly. Any one will be able to order items which can be delivered to your home or school (whichever is easier for you.) Again, more details will follow soon.

Our Open Morning for new reception children, 2018

Our Open Morning for prospective parents and children that are due to start school in September 2018 takes place on Thursday 9th November. Tours of the school is from 9.15am with a short presentation and opportunity for questions at

5pm. Please to tell family and friends.

~~The new look Buzz~~
This term I have made some changes to the Buzz. If you have any suggestions of items that we could include or even if you have a firm favourite then please let me know.
(The application system opens on 13th November)



Congratulations

On Wednesday Johnny and Brayden from Badger class joined children from other primary schools at Forest Hall school to play boccia and hurling. Even though neither of the boys have played these games before they did very well and ended up as winners! This means that they now go onto the next stage of the event in January. Well done boys!

Drama workshop



On Tuesday we welcomed a drama workshop to our school. This meant that Dragonfly class and Hedgehogs class were treated to a creative morning of drama. The children had a wonderful time and Olly said that his favourite part was the 'Jaws music' so we must have had a hall full of sharks it is a good job that we have plenty of first aiders in the building!



Have a wonderful break over the half term holiday and we shall look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 30th October.

Claire Berry

Church news Deanery walk this Saturday



On the 21st October the final deanery walk will start at St Mary's Church Birchanger at 9am. These walks are suitable for children and dogs and usually last for about an hour with refreshments and a short service at the church.

For more details please contact Elaine on 01279 813474