

6th July 2018

Badger Room: What a lot of fun the Badgers have had this week exploring cuisenaire rods in our maths sessions! They have all been 'slinky-linky snakes' by using the rods to link back to their Three Little Pigs storytelling and have made houses for the pigs using combinations of rods to make houses of 7, 8 and 9. In our Philosophy for Children lesson, we had a great discussion when thinking about the question: "what's more important, numbers or letters?" We realised that without letters, we wouldn't have names, but without numbers, we wouldn't have birthdays! The discussion then revolved around whether we could have a number for our name and then everything else would be okay. Or would it? Well done to Helena for winning our Wild Child prize for the most wonderful Tapestry contributions during our month of Random acts of Wilderness.



We would be grateful if you could bring in any clean unwanted yoghurt pots so that the children can use them to make ice lollies next week.

Hedgehog Room: This week we started our look at 'holidays' and we have been exploring some beach treasures in our sand and water trays and creating sea-themed collages. Hedgehogs have enjoyed sharing their holiday photos and experiences with each other. We've packed suitcases for hot and cold weather holidays, thinking about the different items we would need. We've also decorated some creative ice lollies to take home and enjoyed making and tasting real fruit juice lollies to keep us cool. Later in the week we also started to look at different kinds of summer holidays including camping, making tents inside and outdoors! The children have been working very hard on their early phonics skills including identifying the sounds in words and listening closely to rhyme and alliteration. Can you ask them to show you what they have learnt?



Next week we will be venturing further afield on our holidays, looking at different types of transport and focusing on a different holiday destination each day.

Just a reminder – please send your child with spare clothes as we are enjoying lots of water play to keep cool.

Snack time request - we always offer children a choice of different fruits and vegetables for snack. If you do want to send in your own healthy snack for your child please label it with their name and put it in the snack box each morning.

Forest School: We will be launching our Forest School activities in September and we are looking for a parent volunteer who would be able to commit to helping Mrs Williams (in Badger Class) with lots of fun, outdoor-based activities every Friday. Please see Mrs Williams if you would like to be considered.

School Dinners: **PLEASE LET US KNOW** if your child is having hot dinners – regardless of whether your child is getting the universal free school meal – we need you to book them in advance both through School Money **AND** the menu choices form. The kitchen is working to what has been booked, so it is difficult to cater when we have children turning up expecting a hot dinner, but have not booked [CLICK HERE FOR NEXT WEEK'S MENU CHOICES – WEEK 3](#)

Move up morning: For those with children moving up from nursery to Reception or into Year 1, move up morning will be on Tuesday 10th July. You should have received an email about this. If you have any questions, please speak to Mrs Williams in the office.

More hot weather: The hot weather is forecast to continue. Therefore, please can you ensure your child has the following: a) water bottle b) sunscreen (applied before school) and some in your child's bag c) sun hat. If your child doesn't have **all three** of these items we will be calling you to bring them in and if no sunscreen or hat, they will not be able to play outside. Thank you for your help with this.

Car Booting this weekend?: We are still accepting donations for next week's exciting FoLP Fest event! If you have anything you feel you could donate for us to sell, please bring it into the school office.

FoLP Fest: This is next Friday 13th July from 5:30-8:30pm and will be our last whole school event of the year. The PTFA have been really busy organising fabulous activities and stalls, so please come and support them and the school and help to raise as much money as possible for our children. If you would like to volunteer your help in running a stall or activity, please let Mrs Williams in the office know. There will be a flyer going out in book bags next week giving you an idea of what is in store on the day!

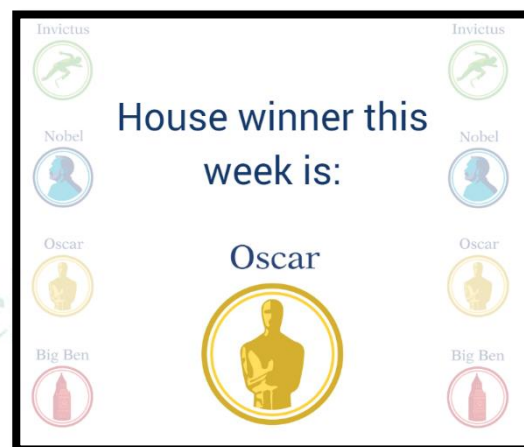
Key Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 10th July: Move up day
Thursday 12th July: Non-uniform day – please bring in a chocolate gift for the Festival Tombola !
Friday 13th July – 5:30-8:30pm: FoLP Fest School Summer Festival
Thursday 19th July – reports go out to parents
Friday 20th July – 1:00pm: Family BBQ
Tuesday 24th July – 1:30pm: End of academic year

Have a fantastic weekend!

Hiddleston

Julie Hiddleston and the school team





CLUBS

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Monday	Tuesday
<p>Sway Dance Club (£3) (all years) led by Ms Whitehead 3:15-4:15pm</p> <p>Ms Whitehead will collect your child from their class, there is no need to come to school until 4:15pm for collection.</p> <p>Currently full</p>	<p>Stagecoach - £165 (per term) (Ages 4+) Led by Melissa Lewis (Stagecoach Principal) 4:00-5:30pm (optional 3:15-4:00pm crèche led by Stagecoach prior to the class starting - £3 per session)</p> <p>Please contact her directly to book - banbury@stagecoach.co.uk</p>
Thursday	Friday
<p>Kickboxing – Ages 3+ (£4) 3:15-4:15pm Led by Coach Cian, Temple Martial Arts</p> <p>A no-contact sport, which helps with coordination, confidence and discipline – as well as staying in tiptop shape! Join Coach Cian to learn all about it in a fun and safe environment.</p> <p>Not running currently due to staffing issues</p>	<p>RugbyTots – Ages 3.5+ - £4 3:15-4:15pm Led by Vince Reynolds</p> <p>RugbyTots is a specific play programme for young children. It uses the multiple skills of rugby to create a fun and enjoyable environment whilst developing basic core motor skills. Each session aims to develop hand-eye co-ordination, balance and agility as well as enhancing social and psychological attributes through a series of games and exercises.</p> <p>Currently full</p>

Free Trial Piano Tuition – Badgers only

Studies show that time spent at the keyboard improves mental health: people who make music experience less anxiety, loneliness, and depression. Playing piano has also been shown to be a great source of stress relief, and provides ample opportunity to bolster self-esteem. It is also a widely used form of therapy for Attention Deficit Disorder.

Not sure if your child will take to it? **Why not try a month's tuition FREE of charge?** All tuition books and diaries are also supplied free of charge by the service. To obtain an application form, please email MJmusicservices@aol.com



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SUMMER TERM EVENTS CALENDAR

Tuesday 10th July – Move up morning

This is the day where your child will move up to their new class for part of the day. Parents will have an opportunity to have a cup of tea/coffee and meet next year's teachers.

Friday 13th July – 17:30-20:30pm - Summer Fayre

Thursday 19th July - Reports go out to parents

Friday 20th July - 1:00pm – Longford Family BBQ

We are really looking forward to this one! The staff cook a barbeque and you and your family all eat together and play games on the field. This is also Ms Spilberg's last day of the year as she is jetting off to Zambia for one week to help support a school there.

Tuesday 24th July - School closes for the year @ 1:30pm

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