

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who attended our coffee mornings this week. We had an ASD coffee morning for parents with children in our ASD provision. This is always a good opportunity to meet other parents and to learn about what goes on during the school day. On Friday, parents had a very informative session around self-awareness and how parents can address SRE at home. We also had a science coffee morning led by Ms Olubitan. She shared a range of activities that parents can do at home with children to develop their prediction, questioning and enquiry skills. Parents had the opportunity to try some of the investigations, using every day resources you would find at home. There are some activities on our website if you wish to work with your children on their science knowledge, skills and understanding. We do have regular coffee mornings on a Friday, many aimed at giving parents additional information about how to support children across a range of subjects and give a good insight into the curriculum and what children are learning in school. They also identify the strategies that children use and how they learn. Please check the calendar on the school website for information on upcoming coffee morning topics. Thank you to all the parents who visited the art exhibition last week and early this week. The children have been working with an 'Artist in Residence' and have produced some really pleasing pieces. The rich creativity within the curriculum allows children to explore a range of mediums and develop a range of skills in all aspects of art and design. Well done to all who took part – the results are amazing!

I wish you all a restful week end,

Kind regards
Bronwen Chalmers
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY

11th March	Science Day (Parents welcome to share skills in workshops)
12th March	Year 4 Trip: Science Museum (Elder + Willow)
13th March	Reception classes Aspen & Magnolia – (Parents invited to join their children for lunch)
13th March	Year 5 Trip: Gamelan (Palm) (Volunteers Needed)
14th March	Year 5 Trip: Gamelan (Holly & Spruce) (Volunteers Needed)
15th March	Year 5 Trip: Suntrap (Spruce & Palm) (Volunteers Needed)
16th March	Craig in for Family Session 10am&11am start
18th March	Year 5 Trip: Gamelan (Olive) (Volunteers Needed)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Children attending teatime club are to be collected from our Mornington Road entrance. For all other after school clubs, please use the main Davies Lane entrance to collect children.
- Please note the school office closes at 4:30pm. If you need to contact the school after 4:30pm select option 2 on the telephone answering system.
- If you are taking your child to breakfast and teatime club, please make sure payments are made via parent pay two weeks in advance.
- Please remember to inform the school, 24 hours in advance if you want to cancel breakfast or teatime club or you will still be charged.
- Make sure your parent pay accounts are up-to-date.
- Please note that you can contact the school via email on – office@davieslane.waltham.sch.uk
- PARENT PAY SCHOOL MEALS REMINDER We would like to remind you that if you have children year 3, 4, 5 or 6 you are required to prepay for school meals via parent pay
- Your child may still be entitled to free school meals. To find out if you meet the eligibility criteria please use the following link:
<https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/content/free-school-meals>

WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS!

	<u>MATHEMATICIANS OF THE WEEK</u>	<u>WRITERS OF THE WEEK</u>	<u>SCIENTISTS OF THE WEEK</u>
RECEPTION	SULOVE (MAPLE)	ANES (MAPLE)	IVAN (MAGNOLIA)
YEAR 1	ALBERT (LARCH)	ANASTASIA (LARCH)	PRAVIT (LARCH)
YEAR 2	TEDDY (ASH)	XAVIER (BIRCH)	HAIDER-ALI (BIRCH)
YEAR 3	MUHAMMED (PINE)	SHEEYA (CHERRY)	RINARD (PINE)
YEAR 4	MOUHAMED A (CHESTNUT)	RIHANA (WILLOW)	MEGAN (TEAK)
YEAR 5	AICHA (OLIVE)	TALEEN (HOLLY)	NIKOLOZ (SPRUCE)
YEAR 6	BAYLEY (WALNUT)	HAMDA (MULBERRY)	KAYDEN (HORNBEAM)
ACORN OF THE WEEK		ZIHAUN (JUNIPER)	

Look what the gardening club has been up to!



Come rain, wind or shine, the Gardening Club are out every Wednesday all around the school grounds. This week was so windy we had to hold onto our brown paper and cardboard tightly as we added it to our compost bin. The fruit from our daily snacks is rotting down nicely and when we have gathered enough green materials from the spring cuttings, we will be adding that into the squidgy, fragrant mix too!

We've planted onions and potatoes alongside the strawberries and daffodils in our Eco Garden and made sure we all got our gloves and boots dirty turning over the soil searching for worms and mini beasts. The coming weeks will see more planting of seeds, flowers, fruits and vegetables as well as exploring the longer grasses, stones and logs in our deliberately left wild areas. We are ensuring we have plenty of biodiversity by encouraging wildflowers and their insect friends to flourish. Watch out for our seed bombs!

If you would like to donate gardening materials or help the Gardening Club with your expertise, please contact Ms Chalmers or Ms Garratt to discuss.

Davies Lane Spelling Bee

On Friday, 8th of March, year five and year six held the spelling bee finals. The children have been learning spellings over the past few weeks and were whittled down on Monday to have one finalist from each class and year group. The four children from year five and six faced off in a spell off which was very tense! Congratulations to Yusuf from Palm class and Lissus from Walnut!

Illegal parking

Are you the driver of one of the following cars?

YD14 ZWV – White BMW

LS12 GFE – Black Mercedes

These two cars were seen parked on the double yellow lines. They were left idling and unattended. Please ensure that you park safely and legally so that all our parents and children can have a safe and pleasant journey in.

ATTENDANCE %

FOR WEEK ENDING 1ST FEBRUARY 2019

THE HIGHEST THREE AND LOWEST THREE ATTENDANCE FOR CLASSES

1	MAPLE	100%
2	ELDER	99%
3	ROWAN	98.8%
26	PALM	94.3%
27	PINE	93.7%
28	CHESTNUT	90.3%