



School Newsletter

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Office update

Please update the office with any changes of address or other contact details. It is vital that we have the means of contacting parents in the event of emergencies.

Holiday Club Survey

If you have not already done so, please complete the survey about whether you would welcome the school offering a holiday club this summer. It can be found here <https://forms.gle/3ZrwrVqWz1pezP456>

Please fill this in by the **9th June**, so that we have the time to make the necessary arrangements.



Reception at the Abbey Gardens

A Final Half Term

We've a lot to look forward to in this final half term of the year. Firstly though, I need to welcome back Mrs Viniski (formerly Miss Rowton) from her maternity leave. She will be working with the Panthers Year 6 class for the remainder of the year. I also need to inform you all that following her wedding over half term Miss Abrehart has now become Mrs Taylor, so it's all new surnames across the Year 6 classes. Please feel free to share your congratulations to Mrs Taylor when you see her.

It's also the time of year when lots of children are doing important assessments. Just before half term our Year 2 children completed their SATs, so a huge well done to them. This half term we have the Year 1 phonics check and the Year 4 Multiplication check during the next few weeks, hopefully the children in these year groups will do as well as they can and do themselves proud.

There's lots more to this half term than just assessments though. We have our sports day on the 30th June. This event will take place in the morning at the Rugby club. We will send out more details closer to the day, but it will start at 9.45am promptly at the Rugby club grounds. The whole school will do sports day together this year, and it will finish with a picnic lunch, following which the children will walk back to school for about 2.30pm. Some refreshments will be on offer courtesy of the Friends of Feoffment. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at the event to support the children.

We also have the school 180th anniversary on the 1st July and the Jankyn Smyth service on the 29th June to look forward to that week.

Finally, we have two school plays to enjoy in the latter weeks. The Year 4s will be putting on a performance of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory on the 5th and 6th July (2pm on the 5th and 6pm on the 6th). The Year 6s will be putting on their play 'Emille and the Detectives' on the 11th and 12th July (6pm on the 11th and 2pm on the 12th). Tickets for both these performances will go on sale soon.

Trips out and about

There have been lots of trips out and about in the last couple of weeks. Our Reception children have been out visiting the Abbey Gardens, having a great time learning about what grows there.



The Year 2 children also had a superb day out visiting the animals at Banham Zoo.



Year 3 have also been out on a local trip to the river, to explore a riverside habitat.

RSE Policy Consultation

At Guildhall we are committed to providing all pupils with a planned Personal, Social, Health, Education (PSHE) programme to enable them to acquire the knowledge, understanding, skills and strategies they need to develop an understanding of themselves, empathy and the ability to work with others to help pupils form and maintain good relationships, develop the essential skills for future employability and better enjoy and manage their lives. To deliver this we use the Jigsaw scheme of work, which includes Relationship and Sex Education (SRE) through the Changing Me module in the second half term of summer term for all year groups. We're starting the process of revising our Relationship and Sex Education (SRE) Policy at the moment alongside the PSHE policy.

As part of this process we are consulting parents on our provision and asking for any feedback about the policy, plans and materials used. Attached to this newsletter is the new draft PSHE and SRE Policy for you to read, alongside some other documentation about how the Jigsaw scheme addresses these issues.

If you do have any feedback regarding this policy or simply want to discuss how the work is delivered then please email me on head@guildhallfeoffment.suffolk.sch.uk at any time. What is taught and how is ultimately a decision for the school and consultation does not provide a parental veto on curriculum content as schools are legally required to teach the National Curriculum. The right to withdraw children from Sex Education lessons is explained in the draft Policy which accompanies this newsletter.

House Points Trophy

We must congratulate the Emeralds house for winning the final week's House point trophy for last half term.



Parent Workshops

Please find attached to this newsletter a document sharing some free virtual workshops (on Zoom) designed to provide up-to-date advice and guidance on how parents and carers can support young people in their life and with their mental health. The workshops are live and 60 minutes long. There is also another document offering free virtual workshops on neurodiversity for parents too.

Alongside these, there are also an array of courses available to parents through West Suffolk College. There are too many to list here, but please follow the link www.wsc.ac.uk/adult for more details. These are also free and cover professional training as well as parental interest courses.

Friends of Feoffment News

We hope you all have the 1st July in your diaries for the school's 180th Anniversary. The event will open at 12 noon to families and will go on until 4pm. The hall will be open from 11am for members of the community who just wish to see the exhibition in the school hall. There will be more details about this event coming out very soon. There will also be a call for offers of support in running stalls and helping to set up the event during the morning of the 1st July. Please help out if you can, as brilliant community events like these are only sustainable if many hands make light work.

The Friends have raised a lot of money this year already which has enabled us to buy new books for the library, fund some special school events and purchase some excellent new resources for the children to use. The money raised from the anniversary celebration will go towards the redevelopment of the Colleges playground. This is a much needed but costly venture and all the financial support you can offer through attending this event will be very welcome.

Calculation Policy

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the new school calculation policy. We hope that this will provide some clear guidance for parents about how we approach the teaching of all of the 4 operations in maths. We've included diagrams and illustrations that help show how our concrete methods lead to visual understanding and methods and then ultimately on to the abstract methods used further up the school.

School decorating

As you will know we had a Sunday in the spring where some parents helped out with some much needed painting of the school. You will know that we still don't have a caretaker, so completing these tasks will for now need to fall on volunteers. We're having another painting day at the school on Saturday 17th June, please email head@guildhallfeoffment.suffolk.sch.uk if you can offer your services on that day. You'll just need to bring yourselves and some painting clothes.

Class Photos

On Monday 12th June all the children will be having their class photos taken. Obviously it will look much better if everyone is in school uniform on that day. It will hopefully be nice weather and the photos will be taken outside, if not they will be taken in the school hall.

Hot Weather

Just a reminder that will increasingly hot days forecast, please make sure that your children have sunhats ready for hot days and if necessary have sun cream applied before school. Thank you.

Upcoming diary dates

7	JUN, WED	● 3:15 – 4:15pm	Lego club Year 3/4
8	JUN, THU	● 3:30 – 5:30pm	Gymnastics Club Yr 1&2 3.30-4.15/Yr 3,4,5&6 4.30-5.31
12	JUN, MON	● 9 – 11:30am ● 3:15 – 4pm ● 3:30 – 4:30pm	Class photos Benjamin Britten Choir Hall Year 3-6 Basketball Club (Clarke Coaching)
13	JUN, TUE	● 9:30 – 11:30am	Yr 4 Violin Lessons
14	JUN, WED	● 3:15 – 4:15pm	Lego club Year 3/4
15	JUN, THU	● 3:30 – 5:30pm	Gymnastics Club Yr 1&2 3.30-4.15/Yr 3,4,5&6 4.30-5.31
17	JUN, SAT	● All day	School Decorating Day
19	JUN, MON	● 3:15 – 4pm ● 3:30 – 4:30pm	Benjamin Britten Choir Hall Year 3-6 Basketball Club (Clarke Coaching)
20	JUN, TUE	● 9:30 – 11:30am	Yr 4 Violin Lessons
21	JUN, WED	● 3:15 – 4:15pm	Lego club Year 3/4
22	JUN, THU	● 3:30 – 5:30pm	Gymnastics Club Yr 1&2 3.30-4.15/Yr 3,4,5&6 4.30-5.30
26	JUN, MON	● 3:15 – 4pm ● 3:30 – 4:30pm	Benjamin Britten Choir Hall Year 3-6 Basketball Club (Clarke Coaching)
27	JUN, TUE	● 9:30 – 11:30am	Yr 4 Violin Lessons
28	JUN, WED	● 3:15 – 4:15pm	Lego club Year 3/4
29	JUN, THU	● 11am – 12pm ● 3:30 – 5:30pm	Jankyn Smyth service Gymnastics Club Yr 1&2 3.30-4.15/Yr 3,4,5&6 4.30-5.30
30	JUN, FRI	● All day	Sports Day
1	JUL, SAT	● 12 – 4pm	180th celebration
3	JUL, MON	● 3:15 – 4pm ● 3:30 – 4:30pm	Benjamin Britten Choir Hall Year 3-6 Basketball Club (Clarke Coaching)



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