



Park Way Newsletter

23 September 2016

Meet the Teacher

**Tuesday 27th September 3.15pm – 3.45pm KS1
(Ivy, Oak & Holly)**

**Friday 30th September 3.15pm – 3.45pm
(Apple & Pear class)**

All teachers will be available at the end of the day ready to answer your questions.

Macmillan Cake Afternoon

We will be holding a Macmillan cake afternoon on Thursday 29 September. Children will be making cakes in class. These will then be available for sale in the hall at the end of the day. You will be able to buy your child's cake for 20p which will be donated to Macmillan. We will not be selling tea or coffee. If you are unable to attend but would like your child to have their cake please send in 20p with your child, in an envelope, clearly marked with their name and what it is for.

Golden Book

This week's "Golden Book" winners were:-

Cedar Class Menekse P & Tom H
Rowan Class Kacie-Rose C & Rajiv K
Cherry Class James B & Ruby H
Elm Class Joe N & Danny B
Maple Class Harvey W & Amy D
Walnut Class Leon A-L & Kristupas L
Oak Class Chloe B & Ronnie C
Holly Class Stanislaw K & Kaitlyn R
Ivy Class Lily M & Shelby C

School Photographs

Every child should have brought their photo home this week. Please return them by **TUES 4th OCT** if you wish to purchase them.

Library Opening

On Thursday 29 September a local author, Lucy Sands, will be coming into school to open our library and read her book to Ivy, Holly and Oak class. She will be in the hall at the end of the day and copies of her book will be available to buy. The book costs £6.99 with a donation to McMillan for every copy sold.

Skip 2 B Fit

On Friday 30th September Skip2Bfit will be coming into school. This group promote exercise through skipping and explain to the children the importance of health and exercise and how it helps them to become better learners. At the end of school there will be an opportunity for the children to purchase the skipping ropes they used during the day. These have a counter on them which count the number of jumps as the children skip.

From Monday 3rd October we are inviting the children to bring in NAMED skipping ropes for them to use during break and lunch. Special 'skipper only' zones will be created to minimise accidents. Please be aware however that the skipping ropes come into school at the children's own risk and the school cannot accept any responsibility for unnamed, lost or broken ropes.

We hope the children have a fantastic day and get lots from their time with the Skip2Bfit team.

Dates for your diary – New dates in RED

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| Thur 29 Sept | McMillan Coffee afternoon |
| Fri 30 Sept | Rowan Class Assembly – 9.05am – Parents/carers welcome to attend |
| Fri 30 Sept | Skip 2 B Fit |
| Mon 3 Oct | Book Fair – afterschool in hall |
| Tues 4 Oct | Book Fair – afterschool in hall |
| Weds 5 Oct | Book Fair – afterschool in hall |
| Thur 6 Oct | Harvest Festival |
| Fri 7 Oct | Yr 5 & 6 Visit to Maplesden Noakes School |
| Weds 12 Oct | Open Morning for 2017 Yr R Intake |
| Thurs 13 Oct | Kent test results emailed to parents |
| Fri 14 Oct | Elm Class Assembly – 9.05am – Parents/carers welcome to attend |
| Tues 18 Oct | Open Morning for 2017 Yr R Intake |
| Fri 21 Oct | Staff Development Day – school closed to children |
| Mon 31 Oct | Staff Development Day – school closed to children |
| Tues 1 Nov | Parent Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 6pm |
| Weds 2 Nov | Parent Consultation Evening 6pm – 8pm |

Flying Start

There are a couple of places left on the Flying Start course for parents of Year 1 and Early Years. This FREE course run by Adult Education will give you lots of ideas of how to support your child's learning in maths and Literacy. Starts on Wednesday 5th October. Get in touch quick if you would like to join! Please see Mrs Loudon for further details.

Parent Support

Bower Grove Parent Support are holding a free workshop for parents and carers on dealing with children's anger and how to de-escalate situations. Friday 30th September, 10:15 - 11:45 at Bower Grove School. All are welcome.

Maplesden Noakes Visit

Year 5 & 6 are visiting Maplesden Noakes School on Friday 7th October. Please remember to return your allergy forms in order that your child can take part in the food tasting they are going to be doing.

Absence during the school day

A growing number of parents are asking to take their children out of school early for various reasons. If your child needs to attend an appointment during the school day, you will need to bring an appointment card or letter for this to be authorised. Where the appointment is made by telephone it is a good idea to ask for an appointment card when you attend so that we can authorise this absence when you return. Please do not keep your child off school for a whole day to attend a medical appointment - they can come to school before the appointment and be collected early or return after the appointment.

Parents are not legally permitted to withdraw their children during the school day for any other reason unless there are exceptional circumstances. This includes appointments that parents have for themselves.