

Long Crendon News



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Dear Parents/Carers

This morning in assembly we had an interesting discussion about how the teachers and the children know that they are making progress. The children shared some insightful thoughts on the subject. I particularly liked one child's answer; she knew she was making progress because in the maths lesson she had got a question wrong, but she had persevered and got it right and now knew how to solve this particular type of problem.

We finished with the following thought :

"The only person you need to be better than is the person you were yesterday"

It is a pleasure to see how the children are taking this message on board and really grappling with the hard challenges in school!

Sue Stamp

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS

Active Kids is back for 2016 and we will once again be collecting vouchers in school. The vouchers are a great way for us to get equipment for the school, so please make sure you collect them when you shop at Sainsbury's – and ask friends and relatives to give you any unwanted vouchers too!

SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

Almost all of the children in school have participated in some of the School Travel Plan initiatives - be it road safety or cycle training or walk, cycle or scooter weeks or maybe collecting badges for these.

Although parking at the gates remains an issue, far less families use the car for the journey to or from school. This has improved pedestrian safety and health and is helping to influence lifestyle choices for our children.

These initiatives are organised by a small team of volunteers, who meet once a term and then almost leave it for staff to put in place! **For these initiatives to continue, we need to increase the parent volunteer base.** It is not a big time commitment and can be flexed to meet what you can offer - could be helping to make posters with the children, supporting them with counting the children who walked to school in a week or ordering resources. Whilst I can plan and instigate activities with the team, I am not available to put them in place.

If you can help on an ad hoc or regular basis, for any length of time, please contact me via the School Office or come along to our Spring meeting on 29th Feb at 12.15 at school. Without you, such changes will fade away.

Thank you.

Helen Smith (school travel plan coordinator)

RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL TRIPS

Just a reminder that there are files in the entrance hall showing photos and detailed information about the residential trips we run, including costs. Please take the time to have a look at these. If you have any feedback you wish to leave, there will be feedback forms available until after Parents' Evenings.

PARENTS EVENINGS

If you still have not booked your parents evening, via Parentmail, please do so in the next couple of days, thank you.

BOTTLE GREENHOUSE REPAIRS _ BOTTLES NEEDED

Year 3 will shortly begin the annual maintenance on the bottle greenhouse. Please save your large plastic drink bottles and drop them off in the receptacle in the glass corridor.

Thank you from Mrs Taylor and Year 3.

DIARY DATES

February *

Mon 8th Y4 Parents Evening
Tue 9th Y1 Living Rainforest Trip
Thur 11th Y4 Parents Evening
Fri 12th PTA Cake Sale

Last Day of Term

Mon 22nd **Return to School**
Tue 23rd Parents Evening
Thur 25th Parents Evening
Monday 29th Growth Mindset information evening
6.30pm

March *

Wed 2nd PTA Fashion Show
Tue 8th PTA Meeting 8pm
Wed 16th – 18th Y5 Residential Trip to New Barn
Fri 18th PTA Cake Sale
Mon 21st Y6 Oxford Castle Trip
Wed 23rd Y5 Viking Workshop
Thur 24th Easter Assembly – all welcome

Last Day of Term

* More information to follow