



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15th March 2024

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Dear Parents/Carers,

After the hustle and bustle of last week, this week has been rather serene.

During our Values Assembly on Monday, we learnt how we can grow our resilience by working together. Together, we explored a recent article, which explained how bees learn to solve problems and pass their knowledge onto others. We discussed the importance of sharing knowledge with each other, and how we build knowledge cumulatively over time.

Maple Class dazzled us with their assembly about poems on Wednesday — Haikus, Cinquains, and Acrostic poems, in fact! The children did so well, and it was wonderful to hear how creative they've been. Personally, I love a good poem!

We are also so proud of our dance team, who took part in the Crown Woods Dance this week. They performed brilliantly, and definitely experienced how continuous effort equates to success. A special thank you to Ms. Baker for her constant support and encouragement.



Last week, I attended a conference in Liverpool. John Camp, who is CEO of the Compass Partnership of Schools, delivered a powerful speech about education, as well as the HMCI of Ofsted, and the Secretary of State for Education. James Kerr, author of 'Legacy', spoke too. Amongst many insights, he shared the importance of showing humility, excellence and respect in all our endeavors, and how we have a fleeting moment to make our mark! They were joined by children from across the Partnership, who sang beautifully to over a thousand delegates!



Now I'm a huge fan of dogs. I especially love a Friday morning when Seve visits with Sue, who is one of our Governors. He is an important member of our inclusion team and has been assessed for his temperament by Pets as Therapy—a national charity that enhances the health and well-being of people across the UK. However, please can I ask that you keep a good distance from the school gates, if you do need to bring your canine companion with you at anytime. Understandably, not all children, or adults for that matter, feel comfortable in their presence. Thank you for your support with this.

Remember to pop along to the Senior Leadership Team coffee morning - next Friday, 22nd March at 9am - if you can!

Have a brilliant weekend everyone!

Mr Guy

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 20th March

Willow Cass assembly

Thursday 21st - 28th march

Traveling Book fair at Alderwood School

Thursday 28th March

Last day of Term

Easter Holidays

Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April

Children return to School on Monday 15th April

Monday 15th April

New Chartwells Spring/Summer Menu starts

Friday 19th April

FS2 Looking after your teeth workshop

Thursday 2nd May

Chartwells Spring Summer Menu Taster session @3.15pm

Monday 27th - Friday 31st May
Half Term

Monday 3rd June

Children return to school

Love That Boy

by **Walter Dean Myers**

Love that boy,
like a rabbit loves to run
I said I love that boy
like a rabbit loves to run
Love to call him in the morning
love to call him
'Hey there, son!'

He walk like his Grandpa,
Grins like his Uncle Ben.
I said he walk like his Grandpa,
And grins like his Uncle Ben.
Grins when he's happy,
When he sad, he grins again.

His mama like to hold him,
Like to feed him cherry pie.
I said his mama like to hold him.
Like to feed him that cherry pie.
She can have him now,
I'll get him by and by

He got long roads to walk down
Before the setting sun.
I said he got a long, long road to walk down
Before the setting sun.
He'll be a long stride walker,
And a good man before he done.