



Headteacher's Message

Index to Inclusion

This week our response is to the three parents who asked about pupils abilities.

We had request for children who are less able to get more help, for children who are average to get more help and for the more able to be challenged.

This week saw the second parent interviews and we hope that these three parents were reassured that their children were getting the help they hoped for. Since we have received your responses we have tweaked the challenge for all pupils. Planning challenge activities is not new, however making it clearer to the child and yourselves is.

Silver and Gold classes have Star Challenges, Year One Rainbow Challenges and Year Two Golden Challenges. We hope you have found evidence of these coloured challenges in your children's books and that the children themselves talk about them at home.

Today was our Mother's Day Assembly and it is therefore pertinent to talk about two more parental comments.

More children have speaking parts and share out speaking parts more fairly.

The teachers keep a record of the children who have spoken in public events and those who have volunteered to take part. They work hard to encourage less confident children to speak out and alter the length of speaking parts to help the child. Every child gets the opportunity of reading a prayer in our weekly assembly and sometimes children who are not happy to speak out share their turn with a friend. If public speaking is not your child's forte then they may have been given another special task, such as, welcoming new children, showing visitors around school or being asked to do a special job such as representing the school at the Junior Schools Library Bus Opening or taking the Red Cross Money to the Co-op. We do try very hard to make sure every child gets a few moments to shine.

Have a nice weekend.

Mrs Cawson, Headteacher

End of Term

Just to remind you that school finishes at 1.15pm on Friday 31st March and reopens on Tuesday 18th April at 8.45am.

Mother's Day Messages

Thank you to all the Mummies and Grandmas who came to our Mother's Day Assembly today. We hope you all enjoyed the performance.

Gold Class Rhyme

*Our Mummies are marvellous,
Our Mummies are kind,
Our Mummies are amazing
And
My Mummy is mine.*

Silver Class Comments

My mummy is fantastic because:

'She makes delicious cup cakes' - Macy

'She puts plaits in my hair' - Scarlett

'She makes the best Birthday cakes in the world!' - Nia

'She helps me to write' - Stanley

'If I make a mistake she helps me to put it right' - Lexi-May

'My Grandma takes me for lovely walks with my dog' - Blake

Have a lovely Mothering Sunday.

School Lunches

Week commencing 27th March we will be on **Week 2** of the dinner menu. Please let Mrs Tinkler know if you would like to change any of your child's choices by emailing office@walsh-memorial.surrey.sch.uk.

Weekly Newsletter

Moving on in Phonics Workshop

On Wednesday 29th March, parents of **Year R** children are invited to a Moving on in Phonics Workshop at school at 2.30pm. Pre-school children can attend if their parents are unable to find a baby-sitter.

This workshop aims to explain how your child will be moving on in phonics in school over the summer term and ways you can support your child at home.

Easter Competitions

A template has been sent home for children to decorate an Easter Basket which they will then use to collect eggs at our Easter Egg Hunt on the last day of term. Please return completed baskets to school **before 27th March**. A collection basket will be left outside of each classroom. Please ensure that your child's basket is named.

In the Index to Inclusion that the children completed, many children asked for more colouring, so we have also sent home an Easter picture for your child to colour in and enter into our colouring competition. If your child would like to enter, please return the named picture before 27th March.

Teaching Assistants

We would like to increase our pool of Teaching Assistants for ad hoc supply work.

If you have Nursery Nurse or Teaching Assistant experience and would be interested in supply work, please ask for an application form from the school office from Tuesday 28th March onwards.

Absence

Please remember to contact the school if your child is going to be absent from school for any reason. Please contact the school before 9.30am on the first day of their absence. You do not need to call on consecutive days but we do ask that you call again on Monday if the illness has not subsided over the weekend and your child is still unwell.

Meal Choices

Mrs Tinkler has sent the meal choices for the summer term home in book bags. Please can you complete and return the form to school by Monday 27th March or we will assume your child is having a packed lunch next term.

Year One Spring Celebration Day

On **Thursday 30th March** Ruby and Diamond Classes are welcome to come to school dressed in spring colours. These could be any colour/s that they feel represents spring.

This is a non school uniform day for Year One children that take part.

Diamond Class Cake Sale

Our next cake sale is for Diamond Class on **30th March at 3.00pm**. Please could mummies and daddies of Diamond class donate cakes on this day. If you are able to help on the day, please let Mrs Thorn know.

All money raised will go directly to the class to buy games for Golden Time and wet play.

Easter Raffle

There is still time to buy tickets to enter our Easter Raffle draw. The PTA have very kindly made up three lovely Easter hampers today and will be putting photos of them on the school noticeboard in the playground.

There are spare forms in the reception area if you would like to enter more than once. It is 50p per entry.



After School Clubs

Sapphire Class **Puzzle Club** has been postponed temporarily. A letter will be sent home in due course.

Mrs Brett's Year Two **Sports Club** has one final session to run on Thursday 30th March.

Choir Club for Year One and Two will continue every Tuesday as usual.

Develop your child's potential

This is a continuation of our Parental Guidance from last week about understanding your child's personal traits and how to use them to develop their potential.



INTERPERSONAL (People)

Children with strong interpersonal intelligence get on well with people. They are friendly and outgoing and relate well to people both older and younger than themselves. They are good listeners, patient and may be a "peace-keeper" amongst their friends. They notice how people are feeling and may act as a "comforter". They have a number of close friends and may be the "leader" of the group (albeit subtly). They prefer team games and working in groups. They are likely to be a member of a club.

INTRAPERSONAL (Self)

Children with strong intrapersonal intelligence are "thinkers", though they may be seen as "dreamers". They prefer to "keep themselves to themselves" and may appear shy and withdrawn. They may not respond in class but prefer to talk to the teacher about the topic after the lesson. They usually have a clear idea about their future and will set themselves personal targets and challenges. They are interested in life stories and may keep a personal diary.



VISUAL-SPATIAL (Pictures)

Children with strong visual-spatial intelligence are "natural artists". They notice small differences in detail and have a good visual imagination. They will be good at drawing and enjoy drawing sketches, cartoons and doodles. They have a strong sense of colour. Given the opportunity, they will enjoy taking photo's and making videos. They can find their way around easily. They use their hands when talking or explaining. They may also enjoy jigsaws and maze puzzles.

PHYSICAL (Body)

Children with strong physical intelligence are good at sport and physical activities. They like practical activities (such as model-making, sewing, cooking, making things). They cannot help touching things and probably use their hands when talking. They have expressive facial features and may be good at drama. They are well co-ordinated with a good sense of balance, and may be good dancers.

Diamond Class Poem for Mother's Day

My grubby, sticky fingerprints
Are not too hard to find.
You'll see them on the walls and drawers.
Where I go, they're left behind!
But soon I'll learn to wash my hands
And tuck them by my side.
The walls and drawers are clean once more
No grubby marks to hide.
So here are some that won't rub off
To remember when I was small.
Because I'll love you forever, Mum
Even when I'm big and tall.



Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time
	Spring Term 2	
27th March	Miller's Ark Farm coming to visit Early Years	All day
27th March	Deadline for receipt of Easter colouring competition entries and chick baskets.	
29th March	Year R—Moving on in Phonics Workshop	2.30pm
30th March	Diamond Class Cake Sale	3.00pm
30th March	Year One Spring Celebration Day	
31st March	Last day of term	1.15pm finish
	Summer Term 1	
18th April	Start of Summer Term	8.45am
20th April	Year Two—Preparing for SATs Workshop	2.30pm
4th May	Governor meeting with working parents	7.00pm
	Summer Term 2	
7th July	Sports Day	Timings to follow
10th July	Cycle Training for Year Two—more details to follow	All day
17th July	Year Two Leavers Assembly (more details to follow)	1.30pm-2.30pm

2016/2017 Inset Days (School closed to children)

5th June 2017
21st July 2017

2017/2018 Inset Days (School closed to children)

4th September 2017