



Pelican News



9 June 2023

Pre-Prep have bounced into this final stretch of the academic year with plenty of energy and enthusiasm which is reassuring as every ounce of it will be needed to navigate our way through the many events and activities (and everyday learning) we hope to achieve. Hopefully we are setting a good example of how hard work equates to realising high aspirations and expectations! As there is a fair bit going on, I would urge you to pay extra attention to this newsletter over the next few weeks, so you don't miss anything. There are several occasions where parents are invited to join us for various things and while we fully appreciate not every parent has the flexibility to attend them all, it would be lovely to see as many of you as possible to celebrate all the children have achieved.

Welcome Afternoon

We are looking forward to our shuffle up afternoon on Monday when all the children will spend time in their September rooms and classes. A reminder that parents of children stepping up to Nursery 2 are welcome to join staff and children in Little Wood from 3pm and parents of children stepping up to either Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 are invited to an informal presentation in the Arts Centre at 2.45pm followed by an opportunity to meet their child's new class teacher over a cup of tea. It should be noted that this presentation is largely aimed at parents new to Pre-Prep or to a year group. If you have attended in the past for one of your older children who made the same move, it is likely you will already have 'the knowledge'. However, this doesn't mean you won't be very welcome to attend if you need a refresher!

Class lists will be emailed to parents on Monday morning.

Hobbies and Supervision will run as normal from 3.30pm.

A reminder that children in Year 2 whose parents are attending the Y3 presentation at 4.45pm on Monday are welcome to join TT Club (free of charge) but MUST be booked in via the main school office as per normal procedures.

Informal Concert

As mentioned just before half-term, this term's Informal Concert is scheduled to take place at 3.30pm next Tuesday in the Arts Centre.

The following children have been asked to perform by their respective music teachers. However, if you think your child has been missed off the list, please do let me know as they will be more than welcome to perform.

Reception: Logan

Year 2: Albert, Amelia, Bertie, Flora, Gabriel, Ophelia, Rafaella and Rufus

Prize Day Creche

Thank you to those who have confirmed they wish to register their child for a space at the Prize Day creche on Friday 30 June as they have an older sibling in Prep. If you have yet to let me know, please could you confirm your child's space by Friday 16 June.

Summer Show Costumes

A reminder that as we have a plethora of pirates in this year's show, we are hoping you will be able to help with costumes as detailed below. We would be grateful if costumes could be sent to school in clearly named bags by Friday 16 June.

Nursery 1 & 2: black or navy-blue shorts and a stripy t-shirt

Reception: 'pool party' clothes (e.g., bright shorts/tops)

Year 1 and 2 Pirates: jeans* and a stripy t-shirt

Year 2 Narrators: colourful beach clothes

Year 2 Announcers: white school shirt

*if jeans could be 'cut offs' or zig-zagged at the bottoms in true 'piratey' fashion that would be great but there is no expectation to cut a pair of perfectly good jeans!

<u>Reminders</u>

- All children should have a named sunhat in school
- All children should have a generous application of sun cream before coming to school each day
- All children should bring a refillable water bottle to school each day (please do not send drinks such as Prime energy drinks as we will confiscate them)
- Long trousers are still required for Forest School. Shorts and skirts are not suitable. However, we are happy for children to wear shorts to school and bring a long pair of trousers to change into for their Forest School session.

Year 1

In our Design Technology lessons, we are going to be designing and making a lunchbox for Pirate Paddy. Please could you send in any of the following items: cardboard boxes, plastic containers and plastic/paper bags. Thank you!

Year 2

Thank you for all the support you have already given in helping your child to learn their lines for the summer show. Please continue to practise, not only in reading them but 'performing' them too. This includes knowing *when* to say their lines and thinking about delivering them with expression and clarity.

Next Week

Monday: shuffle-up/welcome afternoon (see details above)

Tuesday:

- Year 2 violin showcase to parents in the Arts Centre, Mrs Bethell's class at 2.15pm 2.45pm / Mr Davies' class at 2.45pm - 3.45pm
- Informal Concert (see details above)

Wednesday: Pre-Prep Speech and Drama Showcase in the Arts Centre at 3.30pm (see email sent by Mr Kirby earlier this week)

Thursday: Nursery 'Stay & Play' at 2pm

Friday: NO TT Club, all children to be collected by 4.30pm

Lunch Menu

Week 2

Merits and Achievements

Congratulations to the following children who have 'Reached for the Stars' and achieved:

Purple Award: Rafe

Silver Award: Archie, Honor, Hugo S, Teddy and Walter

Reception K: Lucy, Mia and Rose

Reception H: Cecily, Emilia and Henry

Year 1G: Paul, Rory and Walter

Year 2K: Amelia and Thea

Year 2H: Eliott and Luther

Pre-Prep Ambassador: Olivia

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Claire Luckhurst

Pelican Gallery























































