## Aspire and Grow Together



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#### **NEWSLETTER**

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## This term we will be looking at the following value:

### RESILIENCE

## 23 April 2021

Dear Parents,

It has been an exciting first week of the Summer term. On Tuesday and Wednesday the teachers and a few of the governors worked with a company called Dimensions on the creation of our new school curriculum called Learning Means the World.

Learning Means the World is a progressive whole school curriculum which will provide all pupils with the skills and knowledge to further their learning as they move up through the school. The curriculum is built around four world issues, known as the 4Cs: Conservation, Conflict, Culture and Communication and will concentrate on helping pupils acquire the knowledge, skills, attitudes and values needed to thrive and succeed in the 21st century.

The new curriculum will not alter the way we teach English or Maths but will develop and enhance the wider curriculum. We will begin using the new curriculum after the bank holiday on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May with more information sent to you next week.

As part of our exciting plans to modernise the school website, on Tuesday we will be having a professional photographer and videographer come to the school. The morning will consist of a range of activities to showcase the children's skills and the fabulous learning environment at Charlton. If you do not want your child to be photographed please can you let the school office know by Monday lunchtime. Please ensure that all the children have the correct uniform on the day as otherwise they might not be able to participate in the photoshoot. It is very important that everyone looks smart (uniform/shoes/hair) for this exciting occasion.

We have decided to celebrate May Day this year by having a procession into the village on the morning of Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April. The children have been learning a range of songs which they will perform as they walk into the village. The outdoor service will also contain a few poems and prayers which will be performed by a few of the children. The service will be recorded for all families. The children will also perform a range of dances on the main school playground after the procession which will be recorded and shared at a later date.

Have a great weekend

Mr Griffin

### - THE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM

Please see the PDF attached from the Mental Health Team.

### - MAY DAY

Please don't forget to make the cross (see PDF attached) for Friday 30th April.

Please note that the crosses will be left out on display in the village after school next Friday and through Saturday for the community to enjoy. If you want to keep your own cross, please let the school know.

The PTA team kindly agreed to collect the crosses after the cake sale on Saturday and return them to the school grounds.

Thank you.

## - CAKE SALE

**Calling all bakers and non-bakers** .....Please do support the school PTA by donating a cake, biscuits or some treats, they can be dropped off at school **next Friday morning into the Percy Collett room**. Do label your boxes and Tupperware so that they can be returned!

Charlton School Association (the school PTA) are holding a May Day cake sale on the Broadway in Charlton on Otmoor, on Saturday 1st May from 10-12. (see attached their fabulous poster)

Cakes will be priced at 50p and £1, and there will be a raffle to win a yummy celebration cake.

The PTA are raising funds for projects across the school.

Please can you make sure you adhere to social distancing guidelines when attending the sale.

Thank you very much from the PTA committee

#### - LUNCHES

Please can you all book your child's lunch choices on Schoolmoney (<u>a week in advance if</u> possible) even if they have a packed lunch.

This way I can run a report and give it directly to the kitchen without having to ask the children in the morning. We will gain some precious learning time.

If you are not sure how to do this, do give me a call and I can guide you through it. Thank you. Françoise

#### - AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please don't forget to fill in the form regarding Monday/Tuesday/Wendesday clubs to indicate which club your child will attend on those days:

- 1- Normal CAST with Mrs Roberts and Mrs Anderson
- 2- Typing on Monday, Cricket on Tuesday or Yoga on Wednesday.

It is important to have the information so that we can help the children go to the right club.

Thank you.

## - MESSAGE FROM MISS SANDFORD ABOUT TYPING CLUB

On a Monday, come along to Typing Club! From dance mat typing to creating presentations, we can have a lot of fun using the school computers and developing our ICT skills. I hope that we can work together to improve our typing ability and our confidence with software.

In upcoming weeks, we are going to create our own PowerPoints based on our interests! I hope to see you at Typing Club soon.



Star of the week

**Trophies** 

FSU	Huxley for super efforts with his reading and writing this week in school	
Yr 1/2	All Yr 1/2s for staying focused during a busy first week	
Yr 3/4	Archie for a fantastic start during our first week back and for trying his best during	
	our May Day practice!	
Yr 5/6	Jamie for working incredibly hard on his handwriting this week	



Be friendly, respectful and	Willow (Yr56)	For being really helpful an
kind		kind during the Maypole
		dancing this week
Be responsible	Amelia H (Yr3/4)	For being responsible for her
		learning and concentrating in
		class
Be the best you can be	Lucas (Yr5/6)	From Miss Cooper for working
		incredibly hard during Read
		Write Inc.

We will be sending pictures on Monday.

# **OUTSIDE SCHOOL**

## From KIDS FRUIT

Dear Parents,

To support you, Veg Power has developed a '60 Second Lunchbox Hacks' PDF '(see attached) for circulation to parents via schools. It features easy-to-implement ideas and serves to make this task as simple as possible.