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Tuesday 27th January 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an extremely exciting start to the new year and the new term! The children have all been busy immersing themselves in their new learning journeys; Ancient Egypt, The Great Fire Of London and People Who Help Us.

## Sport

Our Barcombe Athletes have had a very successful start to the new year. A team of children from Year 5/6 won our local schools' indoor athletics competition and progressed to the North Wealden Partnership finals. Once again the children competed extremely well and were narrowly beaten into second place.

A team of children in Year 3/4 also competed against our local Cluster schools last week and once again came away from the competition victorious! As well as competing extremely well the children also demonstrated fantastic sportsmanship throughout all competitions.

Throughout school we are continuing to raise the profile of sport and endeavour to increase the quality of sporting provision. During the next two terms the children will be receiving lessons through team teaching sessions with the class teachers and sports coaches. This term Year 5/6 are receiving lessons supported by coaches from Cumnor House, Year 4/5 are receiving lessons supported by a national hockey coach and Year 1/2 are receiving lessons from Premier Sport coaches. Next term a cricket coach from Lewes Cricket Club will be working with the children.

### E-Safety

E-Safety is an incredibly important topic that is taken extremely seriously within school. This term children in Key Stage Two will be working with a visiting drama workshop learning the very important messages of staying safe whilst online or using digital devices. Children in Key Stage One will be visited by a member of the E-Safety Team from East Sussex County Council who will be delivering an age appropriate message about how to use computers appropriately. There will also be an E-Safety workshop for parents on 10th February from 2.15 – 3.15pm in the school hall. Everyone is invited so please come along to learn some great tips and share advice on how to ensure your computers, i-pads, laptops and other digital devices can be used safely within the home and parents can ensure they are doing all they can to keep children safe.

# British Heart Foundation – Wear Red Day – 6th February 2015

Please could you help me and all the staff at school help support the British Heart Foundation by sending the children into school wearing red on Friday 6th February. This can simply be an item of red clothing or some red spots or a red heart pinned to your jumper! This amazing charity and the work that it supports has helped me and my family through a life changing time over the past six months and continues to help thousands of families with loved ones battling coronary heart defects and diseases. If you are able to make a small donation to support this fantastic charity please come to school on Friday 6th February wearing red with a donation for the charity buckets! Thank you.

#### **Prefects**

Each class teacher from Year 3 to Year 6 has nominated prefects for the coming terms. Our prefects are chosen for their polite, caring manner and 'helping set the example for others to follow'. Our prefects for Term 3 and 4 are:

Year 3: Charlie Oakden, Rosie Pendered, Louisa Loughlin, Ruby-Mae Hills, Toby Douglass

Year 4: Erin Gibbs, Jos Clark, Lucy Nurse, Scarlett Warwick, Jack Lilley

Year 5: Billy Gardner-Cross, Charlotte Thomas, Emily Oakden, Sophie Nurse, Stanley Pendered

Year 6: Geordie Gwynn, Ellen Hill, Lily Hills, Mattias Greenwood, Harvey Knott

## **Diary Dates:**

Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> February – Hedgehogs Break Out of Barcombe. KS2 E-Safety drama workshop Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> February – Wear Red Day – donations please to the British Heart Foundation Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February 2.15pm-3.15pm **E-Safety Workshop for parents**Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> February 9am Squirrel Class Assembly. Year 4 Break Out of Barcombe Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> February – End of Term 3

Monday, 23rd February – First day of Term 4

Wednesday, 25th February – Year 4 to Hindleap Warren

Thursday, 26th February-Friday 27th February – Year 5 Residential Trip to Hindleap Warren

Thursday, 5th March – 9am Hedgehog Class Assembly. World Book Day.

Wednesday, 11th March – Years 5 & 6 to Voice In A Million

Thursday, 12th March – 9am Badger Class Assembly

Tuesday, 17th March – 4pm-6pm Parent Consultations

Thursday, 19th March – 9am Fox Class Assembly. Hedgehogs Break Out of Barcombe. Parent

Consultations 6pm-8pm

Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Year 5 Curriculum day at Chailey

Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March – 3.30pm-5.30pm Parent Consultations

Thursday, 26th March – Year 3 Break Out of Barcombe

Friday, 27th March – 9am Easter Service at St. Mary's Church. End of Term 4

**Best Wishes** 

Mr S James Head Teacher