

Stoke by Nayland C of E Primary School

Newsletter - 11th March 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week has been very busy with lots of visitors in school. It has been lovely to hear their feedback:

"The children are so lovely and kind"

"They are all working so hard"

"Even when they struggled they showed a really good work ethic"

"It is lovely to be in this school"

We believe that this is a true reflection of our children and we are incredibly proud of how they welcome visitors and their standards of behaviour.

This week we have seen some amazing work on Biomes and the human digestive system in Oak class, some excellent phonics development and creating playground equipment for DT work in Chestnut, and phonics and Beebot work in Saplings. Well done everyone you are really working hard.

Parent Forum - 10th March

Thank you to all the parents who attended yesterday's Parent Forum. You helped make it a very positive and helpful experience for everyone involved, and we hope you all enjoyed the biscuits.

Communicating Learning

We will be keeping parents up to date with the children's learning to enable parents to talk positively about learning at home. We will be sending home a reminder of this term's topic webs on paper next week. Parent consultations will also be taking place on the following dates:

- *Tuesday 29th March - 3.45 - 5.30*
- *Wednesday 30th March - 4.15-6.00*

A letter regarding Parents evening will be sent out next week.

Staffing Update

As you are aware, Mr Frolish joined Stoke by Nayland's leadership temporarily to support us while we find a more permanent Headteacher for the future. Originally, this was intended to be short term but Mr Frolish will now be working with us until the end of the summer term, so that a new Headteacher can begin in September at the beginning of next academic year. This will allow the school to be more stable and will help a new Headteacher to settle in. The Multi Academy Trust the school belongs to is currently going through the process of appointing a new Headteacher. The position has been advertised and we shall keep you updated on recruitment although this can be a long process.

Colchester United - Eddie the Eagle Visit

This week, Colchester United visited us to share some exciting reading opportunities. As part of the afternoon, all children received a book to keep and a child from each year group was picked for a small prize. These children stayed focused throughout the session and really did their best. Well done to all of the children, but a special well done to the winners. The winners were : Oak: Hannah, Byron, Valentina and Poppy and in Saplings/Chestnut Aimee, Arianna, Reuben and Albert.

PE

A reminder please that all children need to have long hair tied back for PE and earrings removed or be able to remove them themselves please. Unfortunately, we are unable to remove children's earring or put them back in for them. Thank you for your help and co operation in this matter.

Pirate Themed Wow Writing Day

This event will take place on 4th April. The children are invited to dress up as pirates. If there are any parent volunteers who would like to stay just for the first part of the morning, whilst we take the children to the recreation ground, then please do let your child's class teacher know (dressing up is optional!).

Gold Book Awards

Last week, we awarded three children our gold book award for good focus in their lessons and positive learning behaviour. A big well done to:

- *Saplings* - Deven
- *Chestnut* - Katherine
- *Oak* - Hannah

Diary Dates

- **18th March**- Red Nose Day, dress up for £1.00
- **22nd March** - French Day - Whole School
- **29th March**- CUFITC Maths Afternoon - Code Breaking Challenge
- **29th March Parent's Evening** - 3.45 - 5.30
- **30th March Parent's Evening** - 4.15-6.00
- **4th April**- Pirate themed Writing Wow Day

Mrs Kelly McGrath-Wells

Head of School

Mr Andrew Frolish

Executive Headteacher

Courage	Respect	Peace	Justice	Creativity	Thankfulness	Perseverance	Trust	Compassion	Friendship	Hope	Truthfulness	Curiosity	Generosity	Service	Humility
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