

Children in Need

Thank you for your generosity in donating towards Children in Need 2019. I can now confirm that we have raised a grand total of...drum roll please...



This would not have been possible without your support and without Mrs Lingard's organisation, energy and enthusiasm! Thank you very much.

Wellbeing Workshop

Last Friday our year 4 children attended a well-being workshop, led by Christian charities Life&Soul, High Hopes and Crossways Community. The children were joined by other year 4 children from our local learning Hub: Four Elms, Edenbridge, Fordcombe and Penshurst primary schools for an afternoon of learning about emotional resilience and positive relationships.



The children learnt the importance of having strategies that help them when they feel that their emotions are taking control. Sometimes this can be as simple as taking a deep breath, finding some space to calm down or having a drink of water. At the end of the event, Finn, Bradley, Frankie, Dexter and Louis showed their learning to all the schools through a role play – well done boys, we were very proud of you.

NSPCC

Thank you for your support with the NSPCC workshops this week. Unfortunately Beech class were unable to attend due to forest school. We have reorganised this session for next Thursday.

Safeguarding notices

We have noticed recently that some parents are waiting for their children at the end of the day by the back playground gate. Could we please remind all parents to collect children from the playground itself and to enter the playground via the gate by the office door. Gates will be locked at 3.25pm. Thank you

We have reminded children this week that they are able to bring in a morning snack. Please note that this should be fresh fruit or vegetables only.

Next Week

Monday	9am Beech class craft session
Tuesday	
Wednesday	9am Beech class craft session Action required: Final day for opting out of Christmas dinner on 11 th December.
Thursday	Beech class NSPCC session 3:15 Netball match v Chiddingstone
Friday	

Important Christmas dates:

11th December – School Christmas Dinner.

We run an opt OUT scheme. This means that if you would prefer your child not to have Christmas dinner the office must be informed please by next Wednesday so that we can order the correct number of meals in advance. Please note that parents of children in KS2 will be charged if you do not act.

12th December and 13th December – Nativity

This year, Saplings, Elms and Beech class will be bringing us the story of "Baboushka". There will be two performances over two days, both starting at 2pm at St Mary's church. This year, we will be asking for a small donation of £1 per seat (at the door) to support St Mary's church. The PTA will be serving

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"Do everything in Love"

refreshments in the school hall after each performance.

16th December and 17th December

Class parties will be held over two separate days this year. Saplings, Elms and Beech class will be celebrating on the 16th December and Willows, Hazel, Ash and Oaks will be celebrating on the 17th December. More information will be given nearer the time.

18th December

We will be holding our Carol service on the 18th December in St Mary's church at 1:30pm. After the service we will take the children back to school to get ready for the end of the day and then parents will be able to take the children home slightly earlier than usual – at approximately 2:30pm – from the playground.



"In our sessions, we unjumbled my thoughts, feelings and behaviour. I feel so much better now – when I start to panic, I can calm myself down really quickly. I'm sleeping better and I don't feel so overwhelmed anymore."

Alice* 15 years old

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Writers Workshop

Last Friday, a group of children represented Ide Hill at a writing workshop, held at Radnor House School. Children from a variety of schools within Sevenoaks were invited to spend a day working with children's author, Matt Whyman.



The children were excellent ambassadors for the school and thoroughly enjoyed their day. They were very inspired by Matt, enjoyed meeting him and produced some lovely writing. Well done everyone!



PTA Christmas Drinks




Join us at The
Cock Inn on
Friday 6th
December @
7:30pm



Tickets £10 per person – including welcome drink and buffet. Available from Sue Caskey – please email sue.caskey@btinternet.com or catch me at the school gates




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Weekly Awards

These will be presented at St Mary's church on Tuesday at 2:30pm. Parents very welcome to attend.

Saplings	George - well done for persevering with your reading! Keep going! Toby - for working really hard this week on your number stories. Well done!
Elms	Ferin -For her enthusiasm in learning the songs and dance for the nativity. Elliott -For fantastic paired work this week. You are always a reliable friend and partner.
Beech	Summer and Freya – for their fabulous performances during our nativity rehearsals, for learning all their lines and really giving it their all. Well done!
Willows	Ella T – For her excellent attitude towards her learning. She is positive, capable and always does her best. Phoebe L – For her great contribution to our learning about the trinity in RE.
Hazel	Karis – For her excellent attitude to learning and for always working so hard. Elouise – For persevering with learning to multiply two – digit numbers using the written method.
Ash	James – For his thoughtful contributions in RE. Camille – For her lovely enthusiasm in all her learning.
Oaks	Suky – For her excellent start to her journey narrative. Lacey – For her efforts in her reading comprehensions, when finding synonyms.
Sports Award	Nathan - For his determination and hard work on getting the Indian dribble technique correct in hockey. Well done!

	Baden, Edward L, Joshua S, Karis, Alfie D-E
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Attendance Ted Winner	House Cup Winner
Elms 99.2%	Leeds