

Platt Primary News



'Live life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)

Friday 26th January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we head towards the last couple of weeks of this half term already, a few reminders for you. Please drop in your Bags to School on 30th January to help raise money. Our PTA will be selling pre-loved uniform during a parents' evening and will also be selling some of their glow lights on the last day of term. Our new wraparound care company, JAG, have the timetable of activities live on their website now if you'd like to see what clubs will be on offer. These include, drama, sports and cookery. You will see them on the 'Activity' drop down menu. It's great to see some places are already being booked up.

We are now advertising for a part-time caretaker as Mr Hall is leaving during the final week of this half term. The advert can be found on Kent-Teach or here: [Care-taker role](#). Please do share this with anyone you know that may be interested in the role.

A prayer we shared in Collective Worship this week:

Dear God, help us to remember that everyone is worthy of belonging – not because we are alike, but because we are all of value. May we always do our best to include others, so no one is left alone. AMEN

Enjoy your weekend,

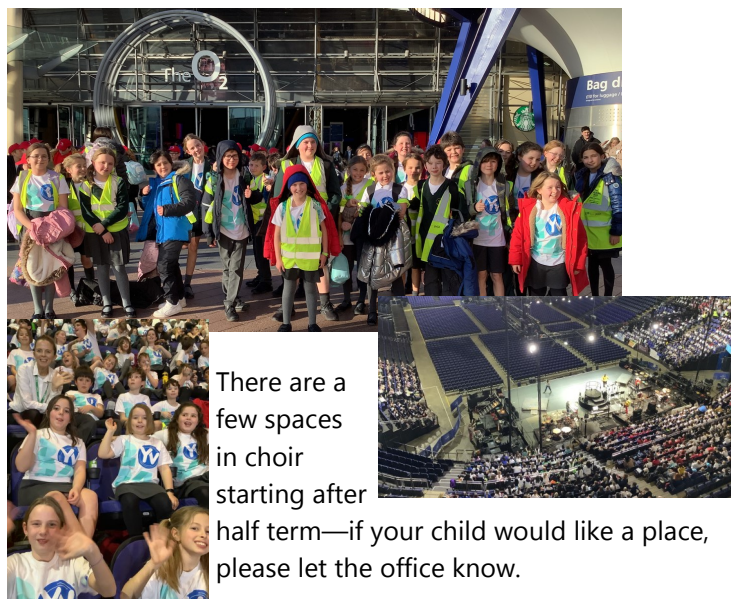
Mrs Emma Smith

Number Day

On Friday February 2nd we will be participating in Number Day by the NSPCC. Our theme will be 'Making Numbers Fun!' Each class will spend some of the day playing games involving numbers and teachers will be finding creative ways to get numbers into other areas of the curriculum for that day. I wonder if you can make numbers fun on your journey to and from school that day?

Choir Performing with the Young Voices Choir at the O2

On Friday 19th January, our choir had the amazing experience of performing in the Young Voices choir at the O2 in Greenwich. This, without doubt, has been the highlight of the year so far for me. The children were beautifully behaved—an absolute credit to the school and sang and danced their hearts out! A huge thank you to the staff that accompanied us on the trip and to the parents and families who attended to watch—we're so glad you spotted us! We sang alongside Jazz singer Natalie Williams, Nandi Bushell—an amazing 13 year old drummer and the Urban Strides street dancers. Personally, I loved the 90s mix where we took the audience on, in a dance off!



There are a few spaces in choir starting after half term—if your child would like a place, please let the office know.

On 27th February, choir and musicians will be showcasing their talents in our Musical Soiree.

Year 1

Over the past couple of weeks Year 1 have been working very hard on their writing. They have been researching and learning different facts about whales and using those facts to create fact files. The class have been so proud of their writing and have taken great pride in reading their fact files to each other. This week the children have been using adjectives to describe different scenes from our focus book for this term (The Storm Whale). Year 1 have worked so hard on creating imagery using their bank of wonderful adjectives.



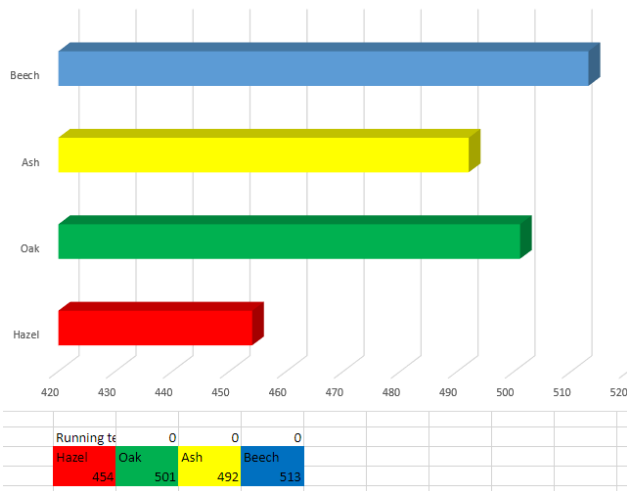
Achievement Award



Well done to this week's recipients for showing the value of **kindness** are:

- Creators: Willow
- Explorers: Abigail
- Astronauts: Isaac
- Inventors: Poppy
- Adventurers: Violet
- Voyagers: Dulcie
- Ambassadors: Iris

House Points



Congratulations to Beech house who took the weekly win and are ahead slightly with the termly points total.

Best Seats in the House at Lunch:

- Creators: Fyn and Ewan C
- Explorers: Bea and Jake W
- Astronauts: Mason and Charlie
- Inventors: George and Georgia
- Adventurers: Kieran and Magnus, Asia and Elizabeth
- Voyagers: Christopher and Jamie
- Ambassadors: Simon and Costya



Diary Dates

Please note that all events and dates listed below are accurate at the time of printing this newsletter, but, could be subject to change in the future.

Spring Terms 3 and 4

- Year 4 Forest School—Fridays
- **30th January Bags to School collection**
- Friday 2nd February Number Day
- Monday 5th February – School photos
- Tuesday 6th February Safer Internet Day
- Tuesday 6th February Parents' Evening
- Thursday 8th February Parents' Evening
- *12th – 16th February – Half Term*
- **Tuesday 27th February—Musical Soiree at 5pm**
- Thursday 7th March World Book Day
- Monday 18th – Friday 22nd March Year 6 Residential Trip
- Monday 25th March Whole School Open Afternoon from 2:45pm
- *29th March – 12th April School Holidays*

Summer Term 5

- Monday 15th April term 5 begins
- *Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday (Children not in school)*
- 13th – 16th May Year 6 SATs
- *27th – 31st May Half Term*

Church Services this academic year:

- Wednesday 21st February—Lent—Year 1
- Friday 22nd March—Easter—Year 4
- Friday 7th June—Communion—Year R
- Monday 22nd July Leavers' Service—Y6

If you can support the school and volunteer to walk both to and from the church on these dates, please let your child's class teacher know.

For more dates for this academic year, please see the diary dates list that has been emailed to you or the school website.

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