

# Orchards News



**March 2016**

What an amazing school community we have. This half term we have; supported one of our families who had a house fire and lost everything; raised £1,120 playing Bingo which will be added to previous fundraising to buy a piece of climbing equipment; as well as the children running for Sports Relief.

After Easter we will have a bumper edition with reports from children about Science Week, Burwell Residential, Y5 Molly Dancing and visit to Octavia Hill house and lots more.

### Attendance

Please keep your eyes on your child's attendance as some children have attendance of below 95% which means the EWO will look at attendance for the next six weeks.

If you would like support with attendance please ask the office to make an appointment with Mrs Carlile (our Family Support Worker) or myself.

### Sumdog Cambridgeshire Challenge

So far we have been the lead school for a number of days with Oak taking the crown for two days. Wouldn't it be fantastic if one of our children was at the top of the leader board too?

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### **Quicker sticks than most!**

Children from Year 6 and one representative from Year 5 took part in a 'Quicksticks' hockey tournament held at Community College, Chatteris on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February. All children played well but, winning all their league matches, the A team progressed to the semi- final to see off their opposition with ease. Having scored first in the final they were unlucky to concede to the eventual winners. Our children were pleased to receive silver medals and certificates.

Well played! (Teams from: Aretas, Mashal, David, Andre, Lukas, Alfie, Charlotte, Libby, Megija, Demi-Leigh, Maruta, Kiah)



### Uniform

Can I remind parents our uniform is green jumpers and cardigans with grey skirts or trousers and black shoes. It has been disappointing to have children not in uniform during Easter Services and when the BBC were filming. We show we have high standards of ourselves when we all wear uniform.

### Staff Training Day Date Change

We have managed to secure a National trainer for our training day in June which will provide good challenge to teachers and help them look at new ways of teaching some lessons. We are very pleased with this, but will have to change our training day from 6th June to 29th June, so children will be expected to be at school on 6th of June.

**World Book Day on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March was a great success! More news and pictures in the next edition.**



### Diary Dates

Easter : 25th March—11th April inclusive

**Children should be in school on Tuesday 12th April**

May Half Term—30th May—3rd June inclusive

Break up for the Summer Holidays... the first day of the holidays is Friday 22nd July

Return to school: Monday 5th September

October Half term : 21st-25th inclusive

The training dates and final holidays dates for 16/17 will be set in the next couple of weeks as I am liaising with the other Wisbech Schools.

### Class Assemblies

Walnut	9th March	Rowan	
Beech	25th Nov	Cedar	20th April
Maple	18th Nov	Elm	8th June
Hazel	15th June	Chestnut	16th March
Almond	4th May	Oak	10th Feb
			2nd March

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