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**20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017**

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Dear Parents,

Congratulations to Maple class who are our first winners of the weekly Class Attendance Award, I know the children and staff have all enjoyed wearing mufti today. Everyone at Sythwood is really excited by this new initiative but we fully understand that there are some classes whose attendance may be affected by children with ongoing medical issues. Because of this and in the interest of fairness, our calculations are amended accordingly. Children's individual attendance will continue to be celebrated on a regular basis.

On Friday, we played our first Tag Rugby games against International School of London and what a couple of games we had! Years 2&3 won, scoring 12 tries to ISL's 8 tries. They played an excellent game with lots of the children experiencing a competitive match for the first time and we are all very excited for the next one.

Years 4&5 followed the younger team with an excellent 17:10 victory. It really showed that lots of players have coaching outside school, as the passing and moving from Sythwood was impressive. It was a great practice in preparation for their tournament in March. A special mention to Daniel S in Year 4 whose footwork and try-scoring were superb. Well done to all that played.

Yesterday our Year 5& 6 girls played football against St.Hugh of Lincoln. It was their first league match of the year and it was an absolute nail biter! There were mentionable performances all over the pitch but Ellen T was outstanding with a well taken hat trick. Well done to all that played, we are all looking forward to the next. Good job girls!

I'm hoping you all received the flyer for the new holiday club 'Next Step Holiday Activities' run by NSSport. If not we have copies at the front desk or you can visit their website.

Our Leave your Lunchbox at Home day has been a roaring success and lots of parents have signed up for school dinners.

As parking continues to be an issue on the roads surrounding our school we wanted to give you advance notice that Surrey County Council will be painting single yellow lines on Sythwood outside the school during the February half term. There will be certain time restrictions on parking but this will not affect normal drop off and pick up except on parts of Brookfield where double yellow lines will be painted. We ask you to continue to park safely and with consideration for our neighbours.

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Headteacher

**Forthcoming Diary Dates**

23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Free Activity Clubs begin	24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Reception Bedroom Stories 5.30pm
27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Willow CA	3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Holly CA
4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Music Challenge Saturday Yr 2	10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Break up for Half Term
20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Back to school	1 <sup>st</sup> March	Sythwood Pancake Day



## Newsletter — 20th January 2017

### Class Attendance Award

Congratulations **Juniper & Hawthorn** class who tied for first place  
Both classes get to wear mufti next Friday  
Sycamore and Holly were joint third  
Well done everyone else for trying so hard.

We were thrilled to be visited by writer David Fuller this week, author of the Alfie Jones series of books. David read an extract from the book and the children acted it out.

David told the us that his career got off to a rocky start as at school his teachers couldn't read his untidy handwriting and he had to work very hard to make it legible.

The children were motivated to hear this!

Do check out David's website

[www.alfie-jones.co.uk](http://www.alfie-jones.co.uk)



### Beech Class said...

- "meeting a real author was epic"
- "I'm loving reading his book"
- "I enjoyed acting out a scene from the book"
- "the best bit was my mum buying it"

### Surrey Squash Taster Session

Years 5 & 6 had a marvellous time with Surrey Squash today. The team said what good hand eye co-ordination our children have and super fast reaction times.

The children enjoyed it immensely and some were asking for details about where they could play again!

