



Language of the Month  
**KURDISH**

**SPRING TERM**  
16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018

**NEWSLETTER**  
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to Larch class for their lovely assembly this morning about the solar system. The children have clearly been really engaged in this exciting topic and they have learnt some amazing facts about the life beyond the confines of Earth. I was particularly impressed by their fantastic singing. Well done everyone.

Year 6 has also been learning about the solar system and as I was at the gate this morning I saw some incredible models being very carefully carried into school. I think this is a really good example of how our IPC topics help to expand the children's knowledge across so many subjects; just making one model and writing a short speech about it encompasses learning in English, maths, science and art plus the additional skill of confidence building to be able to present their work.

Yesterday our Year 6 children took part in Junior Citizen 2018, organised by members of the Safer Woking Partnership, with assistance from other agencies, including Surrey Police, Surrey Fire and Rescue Service, and Woking Borough Council. The educational safety scheme showed the children how to stay safe in everyday situations and also taught them very specific messages like "Stranger Danger" and the importance of not playing near railways.

Also yesterday, some of our Year 3 and 4 children took part in a football festival at Woking Leisure Centre. Everyone who took part had a fantastic time and put in huge amounts of effort.

Year 2 have just returned from a really wild day out at Marwell Zoo. The children and staff had a wonderful day in the Hampshire sunshine, enjoying their time learning about different animals and the habitats in which they live. The penguins were a particular favourite of all the children

I hope the children enjoyed the chance to wear mufti today to celebrate our great attendance levels last week. I look forward to the opportunity to celebrate more of our whole school successes.

Have a lovely weekend.

*Matheson*

Mrs N Matheson, Head of School



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**Term-time Absences**

Taking children out of school during term time is unacceptable for any reason other than illness.

Reducing absence from school is a key priority nationally and locally.

Missing school seriously affects children's longer term life opportunities.

Surrey County Council considers that regular attendance at school is of such importance that

Penalty Notices (fines) may be used in some circumstances where unauthorised absences occur.

Penalty Notices may be issued in the following circumstances.

1. Pupils identified by police and Education Welfare Officers engaged on Truancy Patrols and who have incurred unauthorised absences.

2. Unauthorised holidays in term time. In such cases the Head of School/ Governing Body will request the Local Authority issue a Penalty Notice.

3. Where attendance has fallen below 85%. The parents' failure to engage with supportive measures proposed by the school and Education Welfare will be a factor when considering the issue of a Penalty Notice.

There is no statutory right of appeal once a notice has been issued, but on receipt of a warning you can make representation should you wish.

**SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

Can we please remind parents and carers to label your child's school uniform and coats?

This makes getting missing items back to the owner a lot easier

**ROAD SAFETY**



Please can we remind you not to use the entrance to the Staff Car Park for dropping off children or for turning around

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**Yr4 Trip to Living Rainforest Monday 19th March**

**Hawthorn Class Assembly Friday 23rd March**

**Thursday 29th March —INSET DAY**