



## Comic Relief “Make your laugh matter”



We had a fantastic day helping to raise funds for this charity last week. We sold 220 red noses and raised £466.21 in total. The highlight of the day was our Talent Show. Our 12 acts put on an amazing show for everyone and really showcased their talents enthusiastically. The winning house was Thebes and the winning act was Jasmine and Lucy who entertained us all with their singing and dancing.



## PTA

Unfortunately, we now only have a few people in our PTA and we would really appreciate some more help so that we can offer more events for our children and boost our fund-raising opportunities. Please contact the school office if you are able to help us - even small amounts of time would be appreciated.

## DIARY DATES

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Children visiting St John's Church during the day – 'Walk through Easter'
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> April 8:00-9:00am	Calshot parents' meeting
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> April 6:00pm	Bug Club Meeting for parents
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> April 3:25pm	'Drop-in' visits for parents of children in Eagle class to meet Mrs Meadows
5 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 Residential – Avon Tyrell
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Bug Club goes live
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Lost property on display outside upper school before and after school
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> April	1:30pm term finishes for Easter holiday
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Term starts
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> April 3:30pm	Cake Sale to raise funds for the NSPCC
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Storytelling month begins
Week beginning Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs week Mon – Reading Tues – Grammar, punctuation & spelling Wed – Maths Thur - Maths
10 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 Residential - Calshot
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Assembly run by Childline and the NSPCC – 'Speak Out, Stay Safe'
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Finish for half term
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer 2 term starts
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos

## Bug Club!

We are very excited to let you know that 'Bug Club' - our new on-line reading platform is going live on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. The children will be able to access e-books to read and enjoy at home.

If you would like to find out more, please come along to a meeting for parents on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 6:00pm where you will be able to learn more about Bug Club and log on to see what a child's account looks like.

Each child will receive their login details next week - a sticker in their diaries.



## Year 5 Schools Shakespeare Festival

Thank you to the many Year 5 parents who responded to our questionnaire about next year's Schools Shakespeare Festival. I can now confirm that we have booked for our children to take part in this exciting experience and auditions will take place in the summer term. Further details will follow later next term.

**Shakespeare**  
Schools Festival

## Reminders

Please could we remind everyone that:

- The **staff car park** should not be used by parents at any time unless permission has been given. We are having a large number of parents currently using the car park and recently had a **near miss** when a child was walking into school to attend Breakfast Club. Please help us to keep all of our **children, parents and staff safe** around our school.
- The **cost of a school dinner** will rise on 1<sup>st</sup> April to **£2.15** for each meal. Please could money be paid promptly each Monday.
- Children should be eating **healthy snacks** at break time - quite a large number of children are unfortunately starting to bring in crisps and chocolate to eat.
- Girls with long hair should have their **hair tied back** for hygiene and safety reasons
- **PE kits** should be in school every day. **Earrings** should be removed or taped for all PE activities and all children should have a **water bottle** in school at all times.
- We welcome **older and younger siblings** to wait on our school playground after school but please would you remind them that they need to wait sensibly and safely.
- If your child is absent from school, please call the office to confirm the reason for the **absence**.
- A lost property table will be outside Upper School on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April in the morning and at the end of the day (1:30pm) All unclaimed items will be taken to the charity shop at the end of the day.

## Words of the Fortnight!

To encourage our children to use a wider range of vocabulary, we have introduced a challenge for the children which we are hoping you are joining in with at home too. Every two weeks, a new word will be introduced in each class and the children will get rewards for using them in their writing or in conversation. Our new words are:

Lower School

# Vibrant

Adjective - meaning full of energy and life

Year 5

# Substantial

Adjective - of great size, value or importance

Year 6

# Courageously

Adverb - to do something bravely

How often can you use these words at home?

## Royal Albert Hall

Sixteen lucky Year 6 children had an unforgettable experience last week when they attended Prom Praise for schools at the Royal Albert Hall. They had the opportunity to sing hymns and songs, as well as listen to a live orchestra. The trip was in collaboration with Cove Senior School and all the children involved were a credit to the school.



## Have a very happy Easter

Thank you once again for your continued support of our school. It has been a busy term with lots of exciting events and activities. Have a wonderful Easter break - let's hope that the sun shines wherever we may be!



## Volunteers please?

Miss Bateman is still looking for willing volunteers to help cut and laminate resources to support speech and language development for our children. Please contact her if you are able to help.

Biscuits will be provided!

