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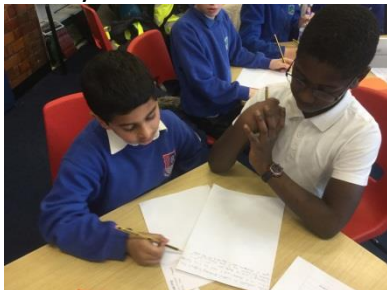
Message from the Head Teacher:

It has been a lovely spring week at Central. The urban garden is taking shape and Miss Taylor has invited each of the classes to contribute a hanging basket to the design. We cannot wait to see how our plants grow and develop and when the weather is a little warmer we will be able use the garden to read and enjoy at lunchtime. I am already loving the bright colours of the containers and know that the gardening club are going to make the whole area fabulous. While the weather is improving it is still really important that children bring a waterproof coat to school as we do try to go outside everyday regardless of the weather and a waterproof coat is an essential item for playtime.

Mr Mynott

Challenge Cup

Daryl, Rohith, Hannah and Ella represented the school in this week's Challenge Cup event. The children had 90 minutes to learn Romanian, with only a pronunciation guide and an iPad to help them. They introduced themselves to participants, parents and staff from seven other schools! Well done, we are very proud of you all.



Book Fair

The Book Fair has once again visited Central Primary this week. It has been lovely to see so many families enjoying books together.

Supporting other schools

Once a month we welcome staff from other schools to Central to learn about how best to support all children, especially those who speak English as an additional language. They spend time in classrooms - speaking to staff and teachers - and also have workshops led by our staff. We were heartened to hear from several visitors from a day like this on Monday that we are a very inclusive school and cater exceptionally well for the needs of all our pupils.

Artsmark

Please take a couple of minute to complete our online questionnaire:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NJ5SLWB>

Mobile phone safety

Law change for using your mobile phone whilst driving.

It is illegal to use a hand-held phone or similar device while driving, or riding a motorcycle - this is still the case stopped at traffic lights or queuing in traffic. It is also illegal to use a hand-held mobile when supervising a learner driver or rider.

New penalties now mean that motorists and motorcyclists caught using a phone while driving and riding will receive six penalty points on their licence and a £200 fine. This means that new drivers, within two years of passing their test, run the risk of losing their licence for a single offence.

Keep safe – put your phone away in the glove compartment.

School Comms

As from the summer term the only way you will be able to request a place in a club for your child will be via School Comms. This will help efficiency in the school office and save you the hassle of filling in forms and waiting to see if your child then has a place. We are also using this method to pay for dinners, trips etc.

It is very easy to do this once you download the app School Gateway from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website PLUS you can send app messages to the school for FREE – this will also save the school money when we send text messages.



Hands up who would like a job term time only.....

A unique term time only position has become available at Cassio Pre-School who are looking to recruit a Leader who are looking to recruit a Leader to run their well established Nascot Wood setting.

Candidates must have a minimum Level 3 childcare qualification and leadership experience.

For more details email managercassiopreschool@gmail.com




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Attendance

What a huge improvement in attendance! Year 6 Oak Class are this week's winners of the attendance certificate. Well done!

Class	Attendance
Acorns YR	93.6%
Conkers YR	96.4%
Magnolia Y1	97.3%
Maple Y1	98.1%
Mulberry Y1	96.5%
Pear Y2	97.4%
Pine Y2	97.3%
Ash Y3	98.7%
Apple Y3	91.7%
Beech Y4	96.3%
Beam Y4	99.7%
Willow Y5	99.4%
Oak Y6	100%

Star of the Week

Congratulations to this week's 'stars':

- Eugenie & Mica (YR Acorn Class)
- Abyan & Tanush (Y1 Magnolia Class)
- Malhaar & David (Y1 Maple Class)
- Laszlo & Dempsey (Y1 Mulberry Class)
- Lily, Karim & Shrutik (Y2 Pear Class)
- Grace & Korian (Y2 Pine Class)
- Bilal, Veronika, Evelina (Y3 Apple Class)
- Vishnu & Alan (Y3 Ash Class)
- Jibraan & Layla (Y4 Beech Class)
- Fabian, Sarah, Klaudia (Y4 Beam Class)
- Anamaria & Dawid (Y5 Willow Class)
- Abdullah & Myles (Y6 Oak Class)

Dates & Reminders

Road safety

Please take great care when crossing the roads around the school, or when driving near the school. Cars should not be travelling faster than 20mph, and must be aware of the very high number of pedestrians between 8.30-9am and 3.15-3.45pm. If walking, please take extra care to ensure your children stop and check for approaching cars before stepping into the road.

Water assembly

School governor, Ted Casey, will be presenting an assembly on Wednesday 15 March, 3pm. The assembly will explore the themes of conserving drinking water, and being careful with the waste that goes into the toilet. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Lost property

Lost property is building up again. Everything left at the Watford School of Music after the Showcase is being held separately in the in the school office.

Gates

The main carpark gates will be closed from 8.30am. Please use the gate next to the Pocket Park or the Early Years entrance to access the playground.

Water bottles

Children are most welcome to have water bottles in school. However, please make sure that these only contain water, and not sugary drinks.

Mobile phones

An increasing number of children are bringing phones into school unnecessarily. Please note that only children who walk to or from school alone may bring a phone into school. Any phones brought must be handed to the class teacher at the beginning of the day, and

will be returned to the pupil at home time. Phones must not be used in the playground before school. Any children breaking these rules will receive a warning, and any further incidents will result in the phone being confiscated.

Personal property

Please do not allow your child to bring personal property into school. Too often, toys or games are brought in and get damaged or lost. Children must not bring their own footballs to school as these are often too hard for the playground – these are provided by school for all breaks and lunchtimes.

Lunch Menu

Next Week is week 1 of the new Autumn/Spring Menu. Please remember that the meat in the kitchen is not Halal.

Monday	Red: Sausages & Onion Gravy Green: Wallace & Gromit BBQ Pasta (v) Yellow: Cheese Roll (v)
Tuesday	Red: Beef Bolognaise Green: Cheese & Onion Pasty (v) Yellow: Chicken Baguette
Wednesday	Red: Roast Chicken Green: Quorn Fillet (v) Yellow: Ham Baguette
Thursday	Red: Shepherd's Pie Green: Yorkshire Pudding Ratatouille (v) Yellow: Tuna Roll
Friday	Red: Fish Fillet Green: Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v) Yellow: Egg Roll (v)

Our preferred method for payment is School Comms. If you are not sure how to use this, please speak to the office.

Spring Term 2017 Events

Good Work assembly every Thursday, 3-3.20pm

Tuesday 14 th March	12:00 noon – 10:00 pm	Hertfordshire Dance Festival – Junction Junior Performance
Wednesday 15 th March	All Day	School Photos – Class and Group Photos
Wednesday 15 th March	3:00 pm	Water assembly – parents welcome
Friday 17 th March	3:00 pm - 3:15 pm	Year 3 Ash Class Assembly
Monday 20 th March	All Day	Parent Questionnaire

		Sent Out
Thursday 23rd March	9:00 am, 3:30 pm	Year 2 National Assessment Test Meeting for Parents/ Carers
Monday 27th - Friday 31st March	All Day	Science Enrichment Week
Monday 27th March	3:30 pm - 8:15 pm	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 28th March	10:00 am, 2:00 pm	Y1 & Y2 Production

Thursday 30th March	All Day	Parent Questionnaires Return Date
Friday 31st March	All Day	School Closes at 1:30pm
Friday 31st March	8:00 am - 8:45 am	French Breakfast Club
Saturday 1st - Monday 17th April	All Day	Easter Holidays