Think you know how to help protect your kids online?

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk is a new web site which aims to get young people to share what they DO know and find out if there is stuff they don't know.

Dogs: Please leave dogs at home! However friendly your own dog is, a number of our children are very frightened by them. We do not permit dogs into school at any time (even being carried) and do not allow them to be tied up on the school fences. Clearly a dog bite can have very serious consequences for a child and could result in a dog being put down.

Mrs Hadley

Mrs Hadley is currently off work unwell and has been signed off until 10th February 2017. We wish her well for a speedy recovery. In the interim, we are grateful for the support of Mrs Cross (Headteacher of Dordon Primary School), Mr Thorpe (Headteacher of Grange Park Primary School) and Mr May (Director of Education) who are covering Mrs Hadley's absence.

Myths and Legends

A selection of comments and misconceptions we sometimes face

'If my child has been sick I have to keep them off school for 48

Not correct. Many parents confuse the advice given by health professionals following the Norovirus outbreak (winter vomiting bug) with our normal practice. Children are ill for all sorts of reasons and if a child has had a mild bout of sickness they don't need to stay off for 2 days.

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Weekly Safety Question ...

Each week we ask the children to consider an 'outside of school safety question'. We would be grateful if parents could also talk to children about our question. This week:

'What do you do if someone you don't know tells you to get into their car with them?'

Housepoints

Our housepoint winners this week with **244** housepoints are: **Birch Coppice -** Well done!!!

Academic Year 2016/2017

Grandparents Lunch Friday 3rd February Thursday 9th February Sea Life Centre (Pine) Little Red Riding Hood (Cedar & Oak) Friday 10th February Chinese New Year (Ash & Beech) Thursday 16th February Half Term (1 week) Monday 20th February Wednesday 15th March Parents Evening Parents Evening Thursday 16th March Easter Holiday begins Monday 10th April Staff Development Day Monday 24th April Children return to school Monday 25th April Bank Holiday (May Day) Monday 1st May Half Term (1 week) Monday 29th May Class Photo's Tuesday 6th June Manor Adventure (yr 6) Friday 9th June to Monday 12th June Last day of Term Friday 21st July

These dates may be subject to change if necessary.



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WEPS Weekly

27th January 2017

Reminders: Please ensure all items of school uniform are labelled clearly with your child's full name				
What's on Next Week				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3-4pm Y6 Maths Booster 3-4pm Y6 Reading Booster 3-4.15pm Dodgeball	3.45-4.45pm Y6 Maths Booster 3-4pm Multi-Skills	8am-8.40am Choir club 3pm-4pm Homework club	8am Maths Booster Y6 3-4.15pm Football	11.00am—Grandparents Lunch 2.30pm Celebration Assembly

Letters sent home this week: Chinese New Year-Ash & Beech

School Attendance

It sounds obvious but children are more likely to succeed when they attend school consistently. But it is not just about the lessons that are missed, children also find it difficult to engage in the lessons when they return because they have missed the important teaching points when they were off to allow them to successfully access the next stage of learning.

Good attendance at school is vital for pupils to achieve their full educational potential. Pupils with good attendance records benefit in the following ways:-

- Continuity of learning which makes progress and retention easier
- Improved performance in coursework tasks
- Enhanced performance in examinations
- Continuity of relationships and friendships
- Good references for further education or employment
 Good habits are formed for later life

And then there is the law! Children by law must attend school and all schools are required to record details of pupils' attendance and absence at school. We do so at the beginning of morning and afternoon sessions and within strict time limits. We are also required to report poor attendance.

Our focus is however very much on reward. We encourage children to be on time and attend by giving children lots of praise when they are 'being brave for carrying on' with minor ailments like a cold. We reward 'never lates' and 'good attendance' by giving children certificates on a termly basis, which the children are very proud of. We do however understand that children are sometimes unwell and certainly don't wish children to come into school unwell just to achieve an attendance reward, and for this reason we also include children whose attendance is also very slightly below 100%.

Our schools always achieve better rates of attendance than schools nationally because our children love coming to school and hate missing anything. We are delighted that our school attendance rate is significantly above this at **95.5%**. Well done everyone!

Mr May

Executive Headteacher





Young Voices Concert this week.

Stars of the week

Well done to all our stars this week!

Beech Class — **Ethan Rose**—For writing his name and CVC words independently.

Cedar Class — **Shari Smith**—For being a good role model to the rest of the class.

Oak Class — **Lilly-May Gleeson**—For hard work this week in all lessons.

Pine Class — **Charli-Grace Nunan**— For creative & inspiring artwork

Willow Class — **Harry Gilks**—For great descriptive writing.

School Sweatshirts and Cardigans

Our school uniform specifies **ONLY** a school sweatshirt/ cardigan with our school logo. We do not accept any other version.