



**Newsletter**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

Dear Parents,

<b>Stars</b>	Reggie S. Ellie Josie Alex David	Lydia Darcy
<b>Golden Work</b>	Sebastian Izzy	Zinnia Josie
<b>Medals</b>	Indianna	Frankie
<b>House Points Winner</b>	Ash	

**Young Voices Concert - O2 Arena – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February**

Although we are all still recovering from our very late night (Mrs Cottee!), all 24 of us had an amazing time, singing our hearts out for the 'Young Voices' Concert at the O2. We sang a selection of songs by artists such as: Coldplay, Michael Jackson and Andrew Lloyd Webber - as well as medleys in the genre of swing, American Folk music, a pop medley and a Greatest Showman mash-up. We were lucky enough to be seated right at the front so got an amazing view of the stage. Many thanks to all the parents who came all the way to London to support us. We hope you all enjoyed the experience as much as we did. (photos to follow in next week's newsletter).

**Class 1**

Could parents please try to send in only a small book bag rather than a backpack as we are limited on space in the coat/bag area. This is causing great difficulty at lunch and home times when children collect belongs which often end up on the floor. If you would like to purchase a school book bag, these are available from our uniform provider: <http://www.smartyantsschoolwear.com/> If a few parents club together you may be able to save on postage and packaging.

**CLUB REMINDERS**

**Dodgeball** will restart after half term.

**Yoga** will restart after half term.

**PTA**

**Valentines Disco - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 – 3.15-5.15**

**REMINDER:** PTA Children's Disco in the school hall. Please ensure all children are collected promptly and signed out by a member of the PTA.

**Mothering Sunday Tea**

Slips to be returned with payment marked 'Mothering Sunday Tea' along with your child's name on the envelope. *All slips should be given to your child to hand in at morning registration to their class teacher.*

**Mrs Sarah Cottee**  
**Head of School**

## EXTERNAL NEWS

### Online Safety for Children



As parents and carers, it can be challenging to determine whether or not content is appropriate for our children. That's where BBFC and PEGI age ratings come in...

This #WakeUpWednesday we're guiding parents through the complex world of BBFC and PEGI age ratings for films, TV, music videos and game. We are sharing our FREE online safety guide for schools to distribute to their community. **Please find below links to share this free poster for schools:**

**DOWNLOAD:** <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/age-ratings-online-safety-guide-for-parents/?fbclid=IwAR1hWh3aQYFWdelFsB4wjr-CFuvPwtsVI8L8yEgkeM91z1VZjzZyhIUThM>

**Interested in our online safety course for parents and carers?** Please find further information here and complete the form if interested: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/training/online-safety-parents-course/>

National Online Safety

T: 0800 368 8061

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"I have always loved you",  
says the Lord

Malachi 1:2



Sunday 10th February

Come and celebrate and experience God's love in a family friendly service

9.30am Ford End Church CMS 1J

9.30am Little Leighs Church CMS 1PQ

11.00am Great Waltham Church CMS 1AR

GREAT WALTHAM, FORD END &  
THE CHIGNALS WITH MASHBURY

Special Church Services in 2019

**Sunday 10th February** - To celebrate Valentine's Day we have special all age services focusing on the power of love. Come and join in the fun and activities. 9.30am Ford End 11.00am Great Waltham

**Sunday 31st March - Mothering Sunday**  
Come and celebrate Mothers and Mothering in an all age service with fun and games and gifts for mum at these churches.  
9.50am Ford End 11.00am Great Waltham  
11.00am The Chignalls with Mashbury

**Family Services**  
Ford End all at 9.50am 27 Jan, 10 Feb, 31 Mar, 28 Apr, 30 Jun  
Great Waltham all at 11.00am 10 Feb, 31 Mar, 12 May, 9 Jun, 14 Jul,  
8 Sep (pet service)

Family Services happen in term time and the pattern is changing this year because of Valentine's Day and Mothering Sunday.

**Friday 19th April** - The Happening at Great Waltham 10-12pm

For more information contact our Parish Administrator  
Alison Bates [admin@littlegreat.org.uk](mailto:admin@littlegreat.org.uk) 07957 228467

## Current Dates for the Diary as at 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Parent assemblies are every Friday morning at 8.45am which include birthdays/certificates.

Special Celebration Assembly dates are listed below.

Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	-	<b>NO</b> Dodgeball club today
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	3.30-5.30	Parents Evening
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	5.00-7.30	Parents Evening
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb		PTA – Children’s Valentines Disco – Food donation sign up list in library
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	3.15-5.15	<b>NO</b> Yoga Club today
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	-	<b>NO</b> Football Club today
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>2.00-2.30</b>	<b>Special Celebration Assembly – All welcome</b>
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb		Half Term Week
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8.30	Return to school
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	-	<b>NO</b> Dance/Acrobatic Club today
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	8.45-9.15	Special Celebration Assembly – All welcome
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	3.05-4.00	Last Karate Club for this term
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	1.30-3.00	PTA Mothering Sunday Tea £5 - Ash & Chestnut Houses – 1.30-2.15pm - Oak & William Houses – 2.15-3.00pm
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	3.05-4.15	<b>Last</b> Dodgeball Club for this term
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	2.00	Easter Service – all welcome <b>Collect children from Church at 3.00pm</b>
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	3.05-4.00	<b>Last</b> Dance Club for this term
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	3.05-4.00	<b>Last</b> Yoga Club for this term
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>2.00-2.30</b>	<b>Special Celebration Assembly – All welcome</b>
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Apr – Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Apr		Easter Holidays
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	8.30	Return to school for Summer Term
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May		May Day Bank Holiday
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> May	8.45-9.15	<i>Celebration Assembly – including class work</i>
<b>Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>2.00-2.30</b>	<b>Special Celebration Assembly – All welcome</b>
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> May – Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June		Whitsun School Holiday including 1 non pupil day
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> June		Return to school
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> June	PM	School Photos – Classes, Year 6 only as a group, Year 6 individual
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>2.00-2.30</b>	<b>Special Celebration Assembly – All welcome</b>
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> July	9.00	Summer Play Dress Rehearsal - Classes 2 & 3 only
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	5.30pm Arrive 6.00 Start	Summer Play Performance Classes 2 & 3 only Children to Performance at 6.00pm
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> July		Year 6 Induction Day at Chelmer Valley High School
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July	5.30pm Arrive 6.00 Start	Summer Play Performance Classes 2 & 3 only Children to Performance at 6.00pm
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Time tbc	Year 5 Taster Day at Helena Romanes School
<b>Fri 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>2.00-2.30</b>	<b>Special Celebration Assembly – All welcome</b>
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> July	3.00-4.30	Open Afternoon for parents to view work
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00	Leavers Service – all welcome
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> July		Last Day of Summer Term
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> July		Start of Summer Holiday inc. 3 non pupil days

Note: Diary may be subject to change.