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Winter Menus Week 3 All clubs on this week

Dear Parents and Carers,

We began the week by celebrating Martin Luther King day which is celebrated around the world on the Monday closest to what would have been his birthday. We were able to link many of our TERRIFIC values to the work that he had done in his passionate support of civil rights in the 1960s e.g. Inclusive, Forgiveness and Endurance. I was moved by the responses that the children gave, especially our oldest children when they were asked to reflect on what they would do to make the world a better place. These reflections are on display in our entrance hall.

We had some exciting news this week; a league table called the Real Schools Guide (not a government publication) was published recently and takes in to account factors such as attainment (SATs results), progress and attendance. The report shows that we are ranked as 5<sup>th</sup> best performing school in Harlow and surrounding areas (out of 44 schools); 57<sup>th</sup> highest in Essex out of 377 schools and around 1300 out of 14,000 schools nationally! <u>http://m.essexlive.news/essex-real-schools-guide-2017-every-primary-school-in-essex-ranked/story-30059319-detail/story.html</u>

### Health and Safety

Please can I remind parents of our rule about children not having their ears pierced during term time. Essex guide lines state that, due to a very serious fatal incident caused by earrings, children must not do PE if they cannot take out their earrings themselves. PE is a vital part of your child's education so the beginning of the Summer holidays is the recommended time for children to have their ears pierced. Can I also remind parents that if your child needs any sort of medication throughout the day, the correct procedures must be followed by bringing it to the school office and filling out the necessary forms.

#### Achievements from Home and School

**Home:** This morning we celebrated the achievements of 5 children; Isabella and Lucy Be passed their Grade 1 ballet exams; Jacob W was Man of the Match for passing well and scoring goals; Ruby C came 3<sup>rd</sup> in a regional trampolining competition last week and Jak came first in the boy's competition which means he is the regional champion.

School: Well done the following children for achieving their Bronze Mathletics award; Hannah Fu, Charlotte, Jessica B, Maddy, Ruby R, Imi, Sadie, Lucy Ba, Alfie P, Harriet, Joshua I, Sophie N, Finley, Lilly, Roksana, Lewis, Lucy Be, Ruby T, Mitchell, Charlie F, Will Mu, Lottie, Brandon, Emily, Isobel, Abigail, Orla, Tilda, Evie, Izzy T, Henry P, Tristan, Daisy T and Isabella . Congratulations to Emily, Lily-Mae, Luke, Oliver B and Orla for achieving their Silver Mathletics award. Sophie N and Joshua I have worked very hard in phonics and received certificates for learning all of their Phase 2 Sounds. Year 4 took part in Bikeability training and were presented with Level 1 awards; Well done Evie, Jessica B, Ellie, Ruby R, Kristian, Maddy, Hadley, Brody, Luke, Charlie P, Joshua D, Izzy T and Tom. Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

# Happy Book

In the Happy Book this week; Mrs Hadley thanked Oliver C for opening the door for her when she had too many things to carry; Mrs Balloqui thanked Francesca for always being so enthusiastic during her Spanish lessons; Isla and Ruby B wanted to thank William Ma for saving them from the prickly bush at playtime; Daisy P thanked Freddie and Maddy for playing with her; Thea was pleased that Lily-Mae was playing with her and I wanted to thank our TERRIFIC staff for their hard work in driving up standards in all aspects of school life at Sheering school.

### Roll of Honour

Our Learning Heroes this week: Children who have made brave decisions

**Copeland:** Hannah Fu has been so enthusiastic about her maths learning this week and bravely showed the class how to count in 2s. **Durrington**: Emily has been very brave without her best friend Libby who has moved schools but she has continued to work hard and make new friends.

**Fitzwalter:** Jack N has made many brave decisions about his work this week and his handwriting is becoming much neater. **Quickbury:** Lottie has been very brave in her quest to master fractions this week. Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

#### **Birthdays**

This morning we sang the birthday song to Alfie P who will be 6 years old next week.

## Star of the Week

My Star of the Week is Lewis for not being afraid to speak about things that matter or for standing up for somebody when they need help. Well done Lewis. You are TERRIFIC.

### Letters/Parentmail Home:

Diary Dates

- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb: Safer Internet Day
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February: last day of half term
- Monday 13th-17th Friday February: Half term
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March: World Book Day
- Thursday 23'<sup>d</sup> March: Mothers' Day service in church (to be confirmed)
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March: Red Nose Day
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March: last day of Spring term
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April: Summer term begins

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