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Firstly this week I must say an enormous thank you to all those parents who have been able to give some of their time to talk to the children about their jobs. The children have so enjoyed learning about possible opportunities for their futures, some of which they had not considered or known about previously. It has been fascinating listening to them talk about new ideas and aspirations. Thank you everyone. I do hope those parents who were able to come to the careers fair this morning found it interesting and informative too.

Secondly, huge congratulations to a group of our Year 2 children who participated in the KS1 Dance Festival at Cottesloe on Wednesday afternoon. They had rehearsed religiously and their efforts were duly rewarded as they came first. Very well done girls, and thank you for representing our school.

Year 6 had some additional visitors this week as they undertook the Injury Minimisation Programme (IMPS) on Wednesday morning. They learned about personal safety and how to avoid situations where there is the potential for injury.

Sadly not all 'visitors' to school are as welcome – I am afraid that we once again have head lice in school. Please could all parents check their children's hair and take appropriate action required. It would be good to start the new half term without itchy heads! Thank you.

I am pleased to share with the whole school community that Mrs Rebecca White will be joining the staff from Easter. She comes to us from Edlesborough School where she had been teaching Y5, and will take over our Y5 class for the summer term. We look forward to welcoming her to the staff team. At the same time we wish Mrs Reid every joy in her 'mummy' role, and look forward with excitement to welcoming the new member of the Reid family.

May I just give a reminder that we have class and club/team photographs on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Please could all children be in the correct uniform; and could all team kit please be returned prior to that date so that it is available for the photographs.

I do hope the children will have a restful time over their half term, and so will come back refreshed and raring to go on 20<sup>th</sup> February. If you are able to spend time with your children I do hope you enjoy that special opportunity too. It looks as though we may start the week with the added excitement of snow!

Mrs K. Tamlyn  
Head Teacher

Congratulations to our special stars this week who are:

from YR: - Maggie Adamson and Harley Gatt  
from Y1: - Zoe Hammill and Oliver Hine  
from Y2: - Georgie Long and Bea Ornbo  
from Y3: - Olivia Blackwood and Paige Bowerman  
from Y4: - Keira Adams and Hannah Sykes  
from Y5: - Molly Buckland and Becca Hegarty  
from Y6: - Verity Foster and Olivia Moss

We are celebrating our Special Stars this year by each child having a gold star badge to wear during the following week. These badges should be worn with pride, and returned to their class teacher on the Friday morning ready to be given to the next child. Thank you for your help and support with this.

#### Next Week's Reminders

#### Footsteps volunteers

As requested in last week's newsletter, we are looking for a few parents who have up to 4 hours free in the Summer Term to help with our Footsteps training for Year 2 children.

**I am interested what do I need to do?** There is a course running at Cheddington Combined School on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017, 10am to 12pm.

Places can be booked via the following website:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/footsteps-tutor-training-cheddington-combined-school-tickets-26921156905>

#### School Calendars

Please note our School Calendars have now been reduced to £2. If you would like to avail of this offer, please contact the school office or email: [cheddingtonpta@gmail.com](mailto:cheddingtonpta@gmail.com)

#### Bags2School

The children will be bringing home a 'Bag 2 School' today.  
Please fill your 'Bags 2 School' bag with unwanted clothes, bags, belts and shoes.  
Please then leave the bag at the back of the school on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017.



#### Save your Sainsbury's Vouchers!

We are collecting 'Active Kids' vouchers.

Please let friends and family know so they can collect too, all vouchers will be gratefully received!

The vouchers are available to collect from now until the start of May at all Sainsbury's stores, petrol stations and when ordering groceries online.

One voucher is earned for every £10 spent in a single transaction at Sainsbury's Supermarkets, and one is earned for every £5 spent in a single transaction at Sainsbury's Locals.

Your vouchers can help our school get fantastic new sports and cooking equipment!!

Please just deposit in the PTA mailbox in the foyer of the school