



# IVY CHIMNEYS CHATTER



Last Friday we enjoyed watching and listening to Birch class perform their class assembly with the retelling of Monkey See, Monkey Do. The assembly is available to watch on our website. I was also delighted to celebrate the class with

the highest attendance for the month of April. Congratulations to Hornbeam! All but one of our classes achieved attendance which exceeded our target of 96%. A huge thank you to you as parents for continuing to encourage children to attend school, even if your child is feeling under the weather.

I'd like to wish all the pupils in Year 6 the very best for next week as they begin their KS2 SATs tests next week. A tremendous amount of hard work and preparation has preceded the tests and we are confident that they will be able to achieve their very best. A separate letter explains the arrangements for next week including a timetable for the week and information about how best to support your child.

during the week beginning 1st June, immediately after the half term break.

Once again we are collecting Sainsbury's vouchers. The scheme provides the school with a choice of equipment in exchange for vouchers obtained when you shop or fill up with fuel. Please put these vouchers in the box outside the office or send them in with your child.

Our lost property box is already overflowing. Please, please, please ensure uniform and other clothes are labelled. If you do label clothes, could you check that the ink hasn't washed off. I know it's a headache, but just imagine the headache of finding the owners of fifty plus school sweatshirts!

Whilst on the subject of uniform, I have noticed a number of children wearing trainers to school. This isn't school uniform. Please ensure children are wearing black school shoes. Also a reminder that earrings must be removed for PE.

Just to mention that children in Year 2 will be tested

Jonathan Furness, Head Teacher

## PARKING AND WALKING BUS

Hopefully you will have read my previous two communications about the congestion on the main road. Councillor Whitehouse has been very supportive and will be requesting that an engineer from Highways visit. In the meantime, the Police have sent a further letter to residents reiterating that they may park on the pavements as long as they aren't blocking the pavement. It seems to me that not parking on the narrow pavement that leads from the school to the park is of most importance as this makes the route unsafe. I have attached the letter sent to residents to this newsletter for your information too.

A number of parents have mentioned whether we could operate a Walking Bus service. This could significantly reduce the number of cars. If you are interested in volunteering, please let the office know.

## TALLEST SUNFLOWERS (SO FAR!)



	Height
1 Rebecca in Larch	61cm
2 Nadia in Birch	47cm
3 Emily in Rowan	34cm

## TWITTER ACCOUNTS

@IC\_EYFS @IC\_Chestnut @IC\_Birch @IC\_Elm  
 @IC\_Rowan @IC\_Hornbeam @IC\_Plane @IC\_Maple  
 @IC\_Beech @IC\_Walnut @IC\_Office @IC\_Council @FOICs

## GIVING MACHINE

The Giving Machine is an excellent and easy way of raising money for our school. May I encourage you to sign up and use the Giving Machine when making your purchases online:



[www.thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk)

A percentage of the value you spend, is donated straight to the school at no additional cost to you!

## IMPORTANT DATES

- 8th May - Plane Class Assembly
- 11th - 14th May - SATs week for Year 6 children
- 15th May - Chestnut Class Assembly
- 18th - 22nd May - Year 6 School Journey
- 22nd May - Ash Class Assembly
- 25th - 29th May - HALF TERM HOLIDAY
- 1st - 5th June - SATs week for Year 2 children
- 4th June - Careers Morning (Year 6)
- 9th June - School photographer (Class photos)
- 10th June - Dads to School Day
- 12th June - Hornbeam Class Assembly

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