



# Newsletter

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Every week this term I will share guidance on an element of Online Safety. Today, I have attached guidance on **Roblox**. If your child uses this game/site, please take a look. I hope it is useful.  
Have a lovely week.

With best wishes,  
Ellen Ranson-McCabe

## **NEWS: Attendance Update (Good =96%+)**

	Year to Date	Term 4 to date	Weekly
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>94.1%</b> ↑	<b>97.7%</b> ↑	<b>97.7%</b> ↑
Little Acorns	92.0%	100% ★	100% ★
Saplings	94.2%	100% ★	100% ★
Young Oaks	95.1% ★	93.5%	93.5%
Mighty Oaks	93.1%	99.3%	99.3%

## **REMINDER: Strike Action**

This term sees three strike days where school is closed to the majority of pupils:

- **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – THIS WEEK.** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March (Little Acorns can attend as normal) AND Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March

## **IMPORTANT: Extra-Curricular clubs**

Sincere apologies for any confusion over clubs. To clarify:

- Clubs change each term and each term children must be signed up to be on the list.
- This term, payment must be made before a child is added to the list.
- This term's clubs will run until Easter. After Easter, new clubs will be available to sign up for. Clubs do not continue indefinitely after a school holiday.
- You will have received an email from the office to confirm a place at a club. Only if you have received this email, will your child be able to attend the club.

## **UPDATE: Our new school Choir**

Mrs Britton and I are starting Choir on Friday! This will take place at 2.30pm every Friday afternoon. Although originally open to Year 4,5,6 (to gauge numbers) we are now pleased to be able to offer this to pupils in Year 3 too.

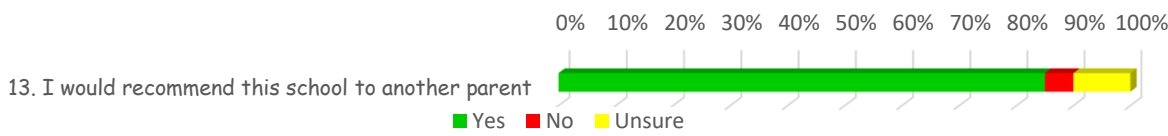
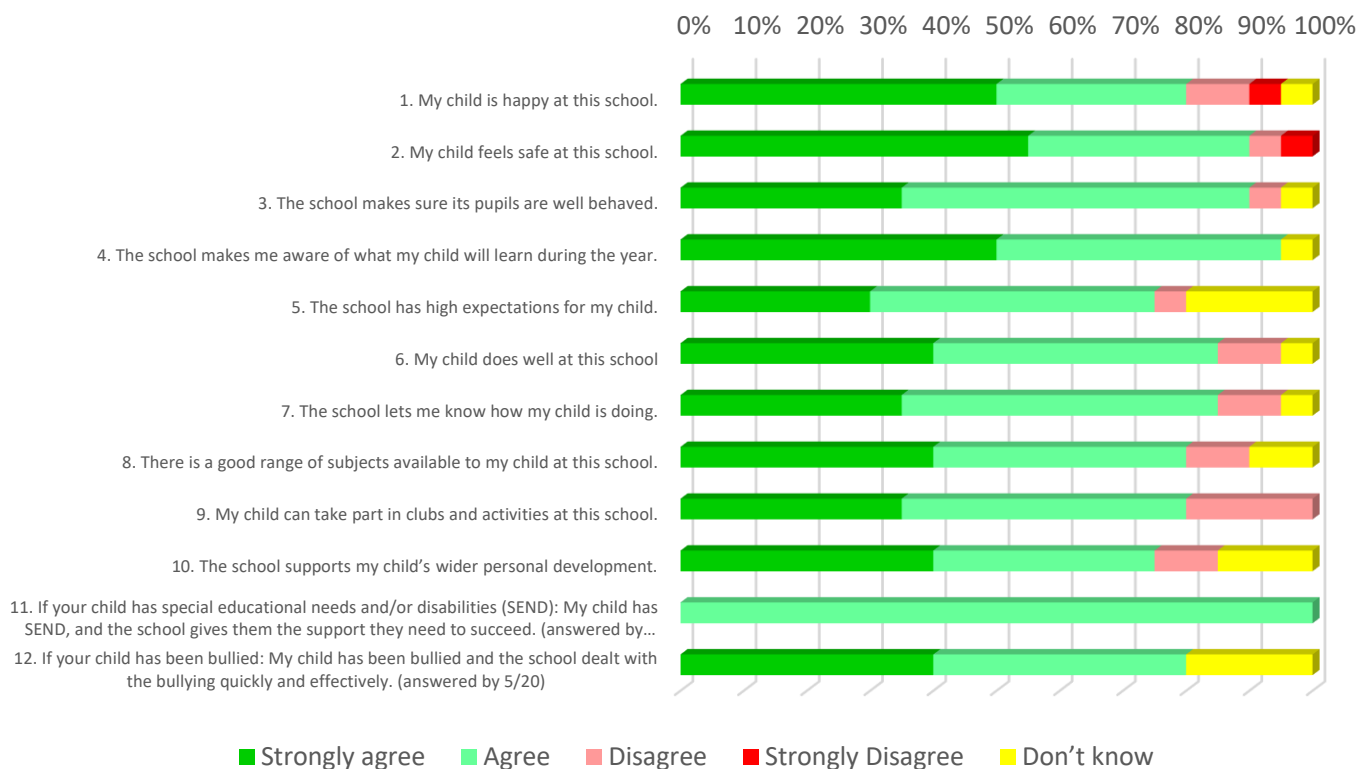


## **REMINDER: Class Sharing Assemblies**

Mighty Oaks will be leading an assembly to share their learning on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 9.00am. Parents/Carers of children in this class are invited to attend.



Each week, I will share some of our feedback in relation to the recent parent/carer questionnaire. This week I would like to share the overall results as well as our feedback to question 1,2 and 3. I hope this is useful.



<p>1. My child is happy at this school.</p>	<p>This is the most important thing to us. If you are concerned that your child is unhappy, please make contact and talk it through with the class teacher as a first port of call.</p>
<p>2. My child feels safe at this school.</p>	<p>We constantly evaluate our practice to ensure our safeguarding practices are exceptional.</p> <p>Our behaviour policy and policies for safety are on our website. These policies ensure any incidents are handled quickly and properly.</p> <p>Children are taught about keeping themselves safe in a variety of ways. They are also invited to speak up if they do not feel safe. We have posters around school to encourage this.</p>
<p>3. The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.</p>	<p>Our behaviour policy was updated in Term 1 and this is on the website. We introduced new systems to ensure behaviour is good across the school and where there are incidents where this is not the case, we act quickly and appropriately following a clear system.</p> <p>As a staff, we ensure we all have high expectations of conduct at all times and in all places. We operate consistently and fairly.</p>



**HELP PLEASE: Donations wanted!**

- **Wellies** – all sizes! We would love to have a stash of wellies available in school for all children to use so the field can be utilised across the school year.
- **Pallets** – we have discovered old pallets make great welly racks...
- **Pre-loved school uniform** – we would like to create a free shop for pre-loved uniform so any clean, outgrown uniform would be well received please!

**Diary Dates for the Year ahead – Updates/changes are highlighted.**

Every effort will be made to keep these dates in place but please be aware they could change in unforeseen circumstances.

TERM 4		
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 3 Swimming (swapped for strike day)	CANCELLED
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Forest School Day – Mighty Oaks	
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Teacher Strike	
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Dragonflies own clothes day	
13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup>	SCIENCE WEEK	
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 swimming (swapped for strike day)	CANCELLED
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Forest School Day – Little Acorns	
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Teacher Strike	
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Teacher Strike	
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day	
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Trip to Brook Museum (Science Week)	
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Forest School Day – Young Oaks	
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Class Sharing Assembly – Mighty Oaks	9.00am – Parents of Mighty Oaks welcome to attend
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Forest School Day – Saplings	
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Easter Service at Church	9.30am. All welcome
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March	End of Spring Term Reports to parents	
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March	End of Term 4	
TERM 5		
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Term 5 begins	
Over the term	Year 2 SATs	
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Godinton House Trip – storytelling project	Mighty Oaks
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Forest School Day – Young Oaks	
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday	
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Forest School Day – Saplings	
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY	
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Godinton House Trip – storytelling project	Little Acorns
9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs	
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Godinton House Trip – storytelling project	Young Oaks
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Forest School Day – Little Acorns	

Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Class Sharing Assembly – Saplings	9.00am – Parents of Saplings welcome to attend
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Godinton House Trip – storytelling project	Saplings
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Forest School Day – Mighty Oaks	
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	End of Term 5	
TERM 6		
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Term 6 begins	
12 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screen	
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> June	School Walk	
12 <sup>th</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication Screen	
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Forest School Day – Mighty Oaks	
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Forest School Day – Young Oaks	
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day	Morning
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> July	SEN/D Provision Review Meetings	Invitation only
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Forest School Day – Saplings	
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Class Sharing Assembly – Young Oaks	9.00am – Parents of Young Oaks welcome to attend
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Forest School Day – Little Acorns	
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Mighty Oaks Show	1.30pm
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Mighty Oaks Show	5.30pm
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Reports	
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents’ Open Afternoon/Evening – all classes	3.15-5.00pm
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers’ Service	2.00pm
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of Term 6 and the Academic Year	