



**For week ending
17th March 2017**

Dear Parents,

Dustmen blocked

Every week we place a reminder in the newsletter about responsible parking. On Wednesday 15th March a parent parked in front of the gates and when the refuse collectors arrived they were unable to get onto the site to collect. Consequently, the school refuse has not been collected this week. We would like to remind you once more not to park in front of the gates when dropping off or collecting children.

Put a spring in your step – Monday 20th March

To celebrate the first day of spring, which is officially Monday 20th March, all five of Sawbridgeworth's primary schools are getting together for a day of sustainable travel with our 'Put a Spring in Your Step' day. So, dust off your bicycles, spruce up your scooters and start limbering up, so we can get everyone doing their best to ditch the car on that day. And if you can't walk, cycle or scoot to school, why not park & stride, car share, catch a bus or get together with another family who can walk to school? To celebrate the day and as a way of uniting Sawbridgeworth, everyone – pupils, staff, governors, parents, carers and our Town Councillors are encouraged to wear something green. Let's turn Sawbridgeworth green and get everyone talking about it!

Road Safety – Big lorry

On Tuesday 14th March a huge lorry arrived in the playground causing great excitement and interest! During the day each class had a road safety session and learned about the particular hazards associated with big vehicles. The truck safety team stayed on after school to give a demonstration to parents and carers as well as younger siblings. This was a unique opportunity to get across a really important safety message.

Green Fingers Club

Mr Dupplaw will be running our gardening club again this year. He would really appreciate an enthusiastic, green-fingered helper. If you know of any keen gardener who might be able to offer an hour or two a week, please contact the office.

Parent Forum

Parents and carers are invited to join us at our next Parent Forum, when we will discuss topics of interest regarding the children's education. There will be two items to discuss at this meeting - the home-school agreement and our Anti-Bullying Policy.

The Parent Forum will take place on **Friday 24th March 2017 at 9.15am** in the Music Room (next to the Staff Room). The meeting will last approximately one hour.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

We are collecting Sainsbury's vouchers and would be grateful if you could save them and send them in to school. Thank you

After School Clubs

All for Sport clubs are on next week, as well as the Athletics, Hockey, Netball and Magical Maths clubs.

Letters sent home

Put a spring in your step – Whole School
PTA Letter – Whole School
Parent Forum – Whole School
New Dinner Menu & Letter – Whole School

Weekly Reminders

Dinner Menu

Week commencing Monday 13th March will be Week 2 on the school dinner menu.

Office Box

Please remember to use the school office box in reception to drop off any dinner money payments, permission slips, letters for the school, etc. Thank you!

Reminder about school start time

Lessons begin at 8.50am when the registers are taken. Please remember that if your child arrives at school after 8.50am, they need to come in via the school office with an adult and sign in the late book. Children arriving after 8.50am but before 9am will be given a late mark and children arriving after 9am will be marked as an unauthorised absence. This is in accordance with the directive from our attendance officer.

Class Assembly

Please note the class assembly dates in the calendar on the back of this newsletter

Dates for your diary (* New entry)

* Mon 20 th Mar	*Put a spring in your step
Weds 22 nd Mar	Rhodes Music Festival – Year 5 only - 6.30pm
Thurs 23 rd Mar	4K Class assembly 9.15am
*Fri 24 th Mar	Parent Forum 9.15am
Thurs 30 th Mar	4PW Class assembly 9.15am
Mon 27 th Mar	Let's Celebrate Easter Year 5 visit
Fri 31 st Mar	PTA Easter Egg Hunt and Bake Sale 3.30pm End of term
Tues 18 th Apr	Inset day
Fri 21 st Apr	PTA Pupil Fun Run 3.30pm
Mon 1 st May	Bank holiday
Thurs 4 th May	Year 3 Celtic Harmony trip
Weds 17 th May	Year 6 Crucial Crew visit
Thurs 25 th May	Year 5 Jewish Museum trip
Fri 26 th May	Inset day
Mon 29 th May – Fri 2 nd Jun	Half term week
Sat 15 th Jul	PTA Summer Fayre with a 60's theme
Fri 21 st Jul	School end 2.30pm
Mon 24 th Jul	Inset day