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This Week

Sue Jay Teaching Awards: Congratulations to Sue Jay on winning the Gold Plato Award for Excellence in Special Needs Education at the Pearson Teaching Awards. The awards ceremony, including a lovely feature on QEII, was broadcast last Sunday on BBC2 and is now available to view on the BBC iPlayer. Search for "Britain's Classroom Heroes" (or the link is on our Facebook page.)

Medication: PLEASE make sure that medication sent in with your children is NOT placed in their bag. It should be handed to their escort, who in turn hands it to staff to be signed in. (Or handed directly to staff if you bring your child in yourself.) We really need your support on this as it is vital we keep all medication safe, secure and accounted for, to protect our vulnerable pupils.

Salvation Army Christmas Parcels: The Salvation Army is offering support parcels of food, vouchers and toys for families in need again this Christmas. If you feel you could benefit from this please contact Alison Mitchison in the Office in confidence.

Child Health Questionnaire: We still have a number of Child Health Information Questionnaires that have not been returned. These were sent home at the start of the Autumn term. Please can you complete and return any outstanding ones as soon as possible. If you need a new copy, please contact Steph the nurse.

Preventing Illness: If your child is unwell, please keep them at home to help contain the spread of infection. Many of our pupils are very vulnerable to even simple illnesses such as colds, coughs or runny noses, which can easily escalate for them into something much more serious. Please also remember the "48 hour rule" for cases of sickness or diarrhoea. If you are unsure whether to send your child in, please contact the school office for advice.

Children in Need: We are organising a special day on Friday 17th November to raise money for the BBC Children in Need appeal. Details are on the attached letter.

Sue Jay Wins Gold!

Did you see Sue Jay (and her family, and Lesley) on television last Sunday? She was also on television the previous Tuesday, talking about her success at the Pearson Teaching Awards. Congratulations to Sue on this fantastic achievement and thank you to everyone who has supported our school's work towards her nomination. There are more photos, the iPlayer link and some behind-the-scenes images from the BBC's day at QEII on our Facebook page.



Class News from Beech Class

It has been a super busy start to the half term in Beech class! We have been working on our ILP targets and in science we learned about the skeleton, finding out how important it is to eat healthily to help us to grow. We even fitted in a trip to Nymans Gardens to collect leaves and found some with amazing colours!



Class News from Chestnut Class

This week we completed our work around animal habitats with a visit to Tilgate Zoo. The children were looking at which animals were native to the UK and which came from other countries. They had a great time exploring the various 'worlds' at Tilgate, from the British Woodlands to the African Savannah!

