



# New Close News

*Friday 17th March, 2017*

*Head Teacher - Miss Jane Brown  
Deputy Head - Mrs Sharon White*

## Swimming Change Over

Next week and for the next few weeks **Otter** and **Fox** Classes will be swimming instead of Squirrel and Fox.



### Parents' Meeting

You will have received a letter inviting you to attend a parents' meeting on Thursday 23rd March to explain the next steps following our Ofsted report. Representatives from the Local Authority and the Governing Body as well as school staff will be present at this meeting.

Unfortunately, children will not be able to attend as I am sure you can understand.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your really kind, encouraging and supportive comments, cards, gifts and emails. They have meant such a lot to everyone at New Close and have greatly raised spirits!

### Reminders!!

#### The Great Egg Race

This will take place on the last day of term. We hope to start as close to 09:00 as possible and hopefully you will be able to come and cheer the children on. The challenge is to build a vehicle that will transport an egg for the furthest distance. The vehicle must be hand built and should not have an engine. Good luck to everyone who chooses to enter!

### Strange Danger Awareness



It was brought to our attention by a parent that a group of girls was shouted at by a man. The parent wasn't sure that there was an ominous side to this exchange but did telephone us to report it. It is always a very good idea to revisit stranger awareness with your children regardless of whether they walk home alone or are outside playing on the green. I'd like to thank the parent for being so alert and informing us so that we could bring it to your attention in order to keep all children safe.

### Outdoor Pursuits Day



This will take place on Thursday 6th April (the day before the last day of term). I suggest that children come to school wearing clothing that you don't mind becoming a little muddy as they will be participating in a wide range of outdoor pursuits. Key Stage 2 will be taking part in the morning so you may decide to send them in with a change of clothing to ensure that they will be comfortable in the afternoon. This may be non-uniform in this instance. We are really looking forward to this new experience in our school.

**STARS OF THE WEEK**


Izacc	Tiana-Jean
Dylan	Matthew
Georgie	Chloe

**Office Hours**  
Please be aware that the School Office is staffed between 8.45am and 3.15pm.

	<p><b>Sainsbury's</b> <b>Active Kids</b> Eat well • Move well • Live well</p>	<p>We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017 vouchers. Please drop any vouchers you may have into Reception.</p>
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**FREE and SUBSIDISED COOL MILK**

A reminder to all parents/guardians that school is able to provide free milk each day to all children under five and to those children entitled to statutory free school meals. Milk can also be provided to children aged five or over at a subsidised cost. For further information please visit [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) or ask in the school Office.

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