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Headteacher Message

It has been another lovely, busy week and we have had a lot of visitors in school to enhance our curriculum. It was exciting to have James Shaw visit and the staff were all so proud of the teamwork, resilience and effort that the children made with their physical activities. Thank you to everyone who supported them in their challenges by sponsoring them. Year 3 completed a recycling workshop with Veolia and were also visited this week by Father Stuart in their RE lesson. Father Stuart also joined us for an exciting first experience in our singing assembly this week. Thanks to Mrs Hindle playing the piano and Mr Yardley on guitar, the children were able to sing along to live music and their singing was beautiful! We have really missed our singing assemblies over the last two years. We were also very pleased to receive a visit from our local police this week. PCSO Tyler and PCSO Hand visited some lower KS2 classes and talked about their roles. They are going to be able to work with schools and the local area more closely over the next few months.

We say goodbye to Mrs O'Neill today, she has been a lunchtime supervisor here for many years and we wish her all the very best for the future.

Well done to everyone who received a headteacher award this week:

Elsa T, Dulcie R, Aiden C, Isabelle C, Lucy W,
Harry A, Rylan W, Ruby-Mae B, Loucas H,
Alexandra S, Jayden M, Jessica W. Alfie I,
Lola C, Kallie Y, Toby C, Carter S, Kyle B,
Connor L, Robin L,Rania C, Amelia E,
Tobias L, Katie O, Emma B, Joe D,
Kimberley O, Penny C-E



Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs E Smith
Headteacher





Congratulations to the following children who have received a Lunchtime Supervisor Award this week. This week's children have been nominated by our wonderful lunchtime team:

Muniya D, Jordan H, Joseph W, Alasdair S, Kimberly O. Willow C, Sydney G, Esme C-E, Menassah B, Hope T, Joshua Y, Amelie F, Ollie D

Well done to everyone who received an award this week!



Attendance Figures

Overall school Attendance is 94.4%

Key stage one best attendance for the week

Base 4 is 95.87%

Key stage two best attendance for the week

Base 10 is 96.58 %

Well done to Base 4 and Base 10 they have earned some extra golden time

Request for Leave applications

We are receiving a lot of requests for holiday during term time. Please note that holidays can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. During the Summer Term, most year groups have statutory assessments which are held during this time and the dates for these cannot be altered by school.



Year 1 had a very enjoyable visit to Holy Trinity Church this week.



This week's Star Reader award children have not only received their certificate and bookmark and taken part in a celebration story time, but they have also been able to choose a book – kindly donated to school – to keep as a reward for their efforts with their reading.

Athlete Fundraising Event – 17th May

What a fantastic day the whole school had when James Shaw visited our school on Tuesday! It was wonderful to see lots of children dressed as athletes and share their enthusiasm towards exercise. We had a very exciting morning where children came into the hall to complete various fitness exercises alongside James Shaw and a Sports For Schools 'Sportivater'. They shared lots of smiles and showed great determination to complete their exercises against a timer.

Afterwards, the whole school gathered to listen to an inspiring talk from the Paralympic Athlete about his journey to success and how everyone can achieve their goals if they have a positive mindset. The question and answer session was a great opportunity for the children to get an insight into an athlete's life and the proud moments which can come with personal achievements linked to sport.

So far, from online sponsors alone, we have raised an incredible £2069.20! We have also received a number of sponsorship forms into the office which we are excited to count up and add to our grand total. If you are yet to return your sponsorship form, please ensure the form and money is given into the office (or your class teacher) on Monday 23rd May.





Thanks for your support! The money raised will help to support greater physical activity and wellbeing for the children.











Well done to our Year 3/4 girls football team that finished 3rd in their competition wearing our new football kit.



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This year's STEAM week theme (WB 11th July) is growth so on Friday, all year groups planted some sunflower seeds. We are going to have a competition to see which year group can grow the best sunflower. Here are some year groups planting theirs.









Base 8 have been very creative They have created clay sculptures in the style of British artist Antony Gormley. We made abstract figures to make our own representation of his sculpture 'Field'.



Year 4 enjoyed a super Composting workshop in the sunshine. They learnt how to layer rotting fruit and vegetables with paper to achieve the best possible compost. Thank you to the Master Composters and Mr Snell for giving up their time to help us.





PCSO Tyrer and PCSO Hand paid a visit to our school this week to talk to the children.





Please collect from school office if they belong to you.

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Statutory Assessment dates in the Summer term.

Year 1 phonic screen: week beginning 6th June

Year 2 SATs: Week beginning 23rd May

Y4 Multiplication table check: These will take place between Tuesday 7th June and Friday 24th June.



On **Friday 27th May** we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and we're inviting the children to dress in red, white and blue to mark the occasion.

During the day ,the children will be participating in a range of activities and in the afternoon ,we will be having a school picnic to celebrate the event. Please could you send your child to school with a small plate of food on a clearly labelled disposable plate, for the picnic.

Thank you.

Dates for your diary

Monday 23rd May	Year 2 Sats
Wednesday 25th May	Reception -Animal Magic
Friday 27th May	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations
Friday 27th May	Break up for Half Term Holidays
Tuesday 7th June	Return back to school after Half Term Holidays (Monday 6th June Professional development Day)
Monday 13th June	Year6 Visit to Cadburys World
Friday 8th July	Year 4 trip to Conkers

May's Value of the Month is...

Self-awareness

- to know your own thoughts and feelings and be aware of how others may see

TT Rock Stars Winners



This week's 1st, 2nd, and 3rd top users for each year group are:

<u>Year 1</u>: Carter S, Imogen C,

Year 3: Carla N, Alexandra S, Jenna M-W

Year 5: Jasmeet S, Andrea D, Finlay C

Year 2: Amelia E, Gabrielle U, Amelia S

ear 4: Megan Y, Seerat M Kallie Y

Year 6: Haya S, Kai I, Dulcie R

Congratulations to all of our winners and we hope to see some new names rising to the challenge next week!