



Summer Newsletter 2 05/05/2017

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and friends who joined us for our annual Maypole event on Tuesday. It was wonderful to welcome so many of you into school to support your children. I was very proud of every class and their enthusiasm for the different dances they had learned. Well done children, you worked really hard and entertained us all brilliantly!

In class this week

Holly Class

Holly class have been practising their Maypole dances this week (which, I think you will all agree, the children performed beautifully on Tuesday). This week their special treasure has been books. They have been continuing to learn through their pirate theme - painting pirates, making their own pirate passports and speaking like pirates! They have also written letters to and from the pirates from the story, 'The Pirates Next Door'. In Maths, the children have been using number facts to add and subtract.

Oak Class

In Maths, Oak class have been studying compact addition and subtraction and the grid method for multiplication. They have been using these methods to solve missing number problems. In Literacy, the children have been planning a story based on the novel 'Mr Stink'. They have been working on a 'Big Write' about a child who meets a rather smelly wanderer and how they solve a crisis together. Oak class have started their topic work, researching the Vikings and why they were pirates.

Please note: Mr Jackson will be taking Years 3, 4 and 5 for some additional outdoor learning on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings next week, while Year 6 children do their SATs. Please ensure they have suitable clothing with them. Please read the kit list opposite.

Sycamore Class

Year 6 children have been making final preparations for SATs and working on lots of practice papers this week. Sycamore class have also been reading more of 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and undertaking descriptive writing about islands and characters. In Science, the children started to explore what creatures live in the sea and their different habitats. In RE, while exploring the Creation story, they discussed the Creator and what type of 'being' it could have been. They undertook a challenge of making an image of this from Lego, using shape and colour, but not the shape of a person. They enjoyed thinking and talking about this interesting question.

Sport and Events Next Week

Monday	Swimming Years 1-5 Outdoor adventures Dance Years 1-6 Football Club after school (voluntary)	Swimming kits Holly class Oak and Sycamore (Please wear PE kits) PE kits
Tuesday	No Ukulele Outdoor Adventures – Oak class AND YEAR 5	Years 3, 4 and 5 - please wear outdoor adventure clothes (including hats and gloves if it is cold or windy) and bring wellies in a named bag.
Wednesday	Cricket and Outdoor Adventures – Oak class AND YEAR 5	Year 3, 4 and 5 - Please wear PE kits and trainers for cricket. Outdoor adventures – you will also need coats (plus gloves and hats if it is cold or windy) and bring wellies in a named bag.
Thursday	PE – all classes Outdoor Adventures – Oak class AND YEAR 5	All classes wear PE kits. Year 3, 4 and 5 – please also wear a coat (plus hats and gloves if needed) and bring wellies in a named bag.
Friday	Special assembly	2.45pm. All welcome

Message for Year 6

Good luck to all our Year 6 children who take their SATs next week. Please don't talk too much about it over the weekend; the work has been done and you are ready! We are all really proud of the effort and commitment you have shown to achieving your best. You are all very special people and I know you'll give it your all. Don't forget to have plenty of sleep and bring chocolate and a bottle of water every day next week!

Let no one steal your dreams
 Let no one tear apart
 The burning ambition
 That fires the drive within your heart
 Set your sights and keep them fixed
 Set your sights on high
 Let no one steal your dreams
 Your only limit is the sky.

From 'Let no one steal your dreams' by Paul Cookson

Wishing you all a happy and relaxing weekend.

Mrs J V Hopkins,
Executive Head teacher.



Roll of Honour

Piano Exam

Before the Easter holidays, Mia Harrison successfully sat her Piano Prep Test. The examiner was impressed with her use of dynamics and articulation. He also commented on her excellent responses for her listening games. Well done Mia – we are very proud of you!

Poetry Competition

A big well done to those children from Oak Class whose poems have been chosen for publication in a Poetry anthology called 'Once Upon A Dream'. Mr Jackson, Miss Geeson and I are very impressed and excited by this news and we are looking forward to buying copies of this special book!