

Dear all,

Welcome to the new term and I am pleased to say the weather is resembling 'Summer' in many ways for now which is very pleasing! I hope you all had a very relaxing and peaceful Easter break.

It has been a smooth return to school with the children settling in well and enjoying their learning this week. We have new additions to school too courtesy of Mrs Eddisford in 1G in the form of two guinea pigs namely Coco and Caramel. They are beautiful and causing quite a lot of excitement! Of course the children will be learning how to nurture and care for them; great life skills.

Well done to all the children in school this week. We have had some increased attendance figures and this all aids teaching and learning. Please ensure all children are in school on time as this is our next priority and so important for the start of the day.

Our school priority this half term focuses on behaviour and attitudes in school. Work has been undertaken to review behaviour and we will be updating our policies to reflect this and sharing this with all parents too. Whilst mentioning this, I must ask that all communication with teachers and staff is respectful and polite which is what we are teaching daily and wish to model to children at all times.

We have received complaints from our neighbours on St Heliers Road as some vehicles are not considering issues they are creating when parking to drop off and pick up. Please have respect for all our community and help keep our neighbours happy.

Next week sees the mock SATs sessions for Year 6. I wish them all the very best and they have been a credit to us all in their preparation to date. As with all school days, parents please ensure that the children get an early night, relax and are in school bright and early. I have been impressed with such positive attitudes and resilience so far. There is so much commitment from the children and adults and there will be rewards to come!  
Keep up the hard work!

Have a lovely weekend.  
With my best wishes,  
Mrs Robinson

## Dates To Remember

Monday 2nd May

May Bank Holiday  
School is closed.

WC 9th May

Year 6 SATS week

WC 16th May

Ready, Steady, Read  
Week -more details to  
follow.

Friday 27th May

School closes for 1 week.



Good luck to our football team, who will be playing against Roseacre on Monday.  
Go Team Gateway!



Gateway Extra  
Wednesday Special  
Join us for crafts  
evening on  
Wednesday 27th  
April.  
3.15pm-5.30pm  
Snack provided.



Please book through  
the school office. Let  
us know if your child  
has any allergies.

# Let's Celebrate!



- N - Victoria
- RB - Harrison
- RG - Aurora
- 1B - Harley-Rio
- 1G - Kuba
- 2B - Taylor
- 2G -
- 3B - Binar
- 3G -
- 4B - Safron-Eva
- 4G - Chase
- 5B - Riley
- 5G - Teodora
- 6B -
- 6G - Skye-Rose



- N - Layilah-Jo
- RB - Joshua
- RG - Denver
- 1B - Hunter
- 1G - Dylan
- 2B - Mikey
- 2G -
- 3B - Wade
- 3G -
- 4B - Jesmin
- 4G - Darla
- 5B - Tomasz
- 5G - Mitchell
- 6B -
- 6G - Charlie

## Reading Award



## Class Attendance Winners



## Attendance Award

- N - Amelia
- RB - Tobias
- RG - Gabriella
- 1B -
- 1G - Poppy-Mae
- 2B - Oliver
- 2G -
- 3B - Viktoria
- 3G -
- 4B - Sienna
- 4G - Violet
- 5B - Daisymae
- 5G - Alexia
- 6B -
- 6G - Jibrán

Well done to all our winners!

**Winner**



**Newton**

**House**

**2nd**

**King**

**Teams**

**3rd**

**Curie**

**Overall**

**4th**

**Earheart**

**Nursery, Reception,  
Year 1 and 2**



**Year 3, 4, 5 and 6**



**Overall**



## Staff Shoutout



Miss Wellings for being caring, supportive and always smiling! A fabulous EYFS team member.



Aiya for always going above and beyond. Nothing is ever too much trouble. She is a true Early Years superhero.

Mr Barnaby for Always being a positive person and checking in on everyone



Mrs Godfrey-Brown for keeping smiling and the positive energy you have in KS1!



# Gateway's Amazing Learning!

## Nursery and Reception

The children have made every one of us feel so proud with how they have returned to school after our Easter break.

We have been fortunate to return to sunshine and the children have been enjoying our improved outside area.

The children have been investigating spring and have enjoyed looking in our school grounds for evidence that spring has indeed sprung! We look forward to continuing our spring learning adventure next week when we are expecting some new arrivals... we don't want to give away any clues but know the children will really enjoy meeting them.

As always, if you have any queries/questions then please do not hesitate to contact a member of the EYFS team.

## Year 3 and 4

Year 3 have had a very exciting return to school - finding some huge jewels in the Gateway Garden - which gave us all lots of inspiration for our first writing task this term.

We have also begun our investigation into Rocks in science, Money in maths, Brazil and South America in Geography and we have also been dancing to The Beatles in music. What an amazing start to our Summer term. This week Year 4 have started their new text in English and have been dressing up as pirates and completing a scavenger hunt as part of their hook lesson. In Maths we have been exploring Statistics by creating our own tables and bar charts. Spring has finally arrived with some lovely weather so what a perfect week to start our new PE topic of Athletics. In Science this week we have been exploring classification keys as part of our new topic of Living Things and their Habitats.

## Year 1 and 2

Year 1 has had a very exciting week with the arrival of our guinea pigs! Lots of children have enjoyed holding them and learning about how we can care for them. We have also started our new topics and we have been learning about children in the Victorian times- the children couldn't believe they had outside toilets!

Year 2 have had a very special visitor this week for their new topic The great fire of London. They got to take part in lots of exciting activities including dressing up as Samuel Pepys, role play of the great fire and got to touch and look a lots of artefacts. They then used this new knowledge to produce some fantastic work in their history books. See if your child can tell you a fact about the great fire of London.

## Year 5 and 6

The children have made a great start to the summer term this week as they begin to find out about their new topics! For our year 6s, this is their last term at Primary School so have an important few weeks ahead of them before we start to look at transition activities and celebrating their time at our school.



# Any other business



## Parking

Please be mindful of children and residents when parking around school during pick up and drop off times.  
Thank you.



## Welcome

A big welcome to all our children, who will be starting in Reception this September! We can't wait to meet you! More information will be sent to you over the coming weeks.



We love reading!



### Book

### Recommendation.

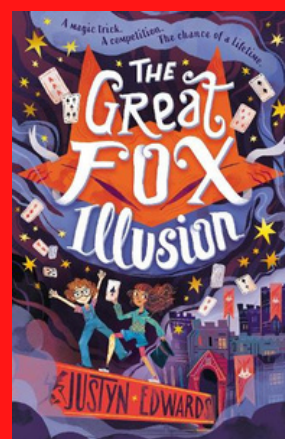
The Great Fox Illusion by Justyn Edwards.

"Magic is about dreaming what is impossible and making it possible. It's the innocent young mind in all of us that loves it. We want to be filled with wonder. We want to believe. I want the winner of this competition and the recipient of my legacy to dare to dream big. So, let The Great Fox Hunt begin."

## Fact of the week!



Your heart beats about 115,000 every day.





# Our week in pictures!



School Website QR Code

## Have a lovely weekend!



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