



# Downs Infant School Newsletter

Week ending 17 June 2022

We hope you enjoyed the open mornings this week. We certainly did – what a buzz from the children. They really wanted to show you their school life! Please give us your feedback here:

<https://forms.gle/js6EkCGnrefpRR3NA>.

We had the Brighton Schools' Commonwealth baton arrive here today from Year 2 Ambassadors at St Bartholemews School. We talked about the real one starts at Buckingham Palace, and look forward to having you join us for the Jubilee picnic on the bottom playground today. Please collect your child as usual and bring to the playground if you are joining in. If there are too many – we will use the top as well!

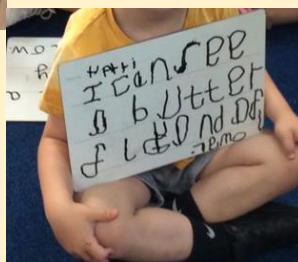
Dr Mitchell

**Diary Dates:** *(New dates will be in red)*

- Reception Washbrooks Farm 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July
- Fri 17 June Jubilee baton arrives
- Summer Fair 16<sup>th</sup> July PM
- Healthy week and sports days week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> July**
- Year 2 performance Thursday 21 July 9.15am**
- Last day of term Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

## Learning Round-Up

Reception have been learning about the life-cycle of a butterfly and exploring the maths concept of sharing. Year 1 have been enjoying their 'At the Seaside' topic, writing their own versions of the story, 'The Sandcastle'. Year 2 have been learning all about Australia – starting with a 'flight' there from our school hall 'airport'. As always, all children have been revisiting and embedding their knowledge in continuous provision as well as developing the characteristics of effective learning. School council helped with a travel survey.



### Active Travel

*Thank you for filling in our School Council's travel surveys yesterday after school.*

The Active Travel Team at Brighton and Hove City Council is looking for a parent or carer to feature in their upcoming video. This will be used to promote Car Free Day in September and will be centred around personal stories of local people who have switched from driving to walking or cycling. They would like to feature a family who used to drive to school and is now traveling actively so they can share their reasons and what the benefits are, and hopefully inspire more people to have a go! If you are interested, please get in touch with Dr Mitchell by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June.



## Chair of Champions



Well done to all children on the Chair of Champions this week!  
Dolphin: Iva, Yiyi, Indigo, Harry; Turtle: Julia, Zoe, Iva, Ralph; Squirrel: Jake;  
Hedgehog: Hannah; Puffin: Zach, Elena, Olek, Finlay, Zion, Eddie;  
Fox: Arnie, Dylan, Josh; Seahorse: Maisie, Yuanna.



Today you will receive your last post on tapestry for the year. We will NOT be using tapestry any longer for the remainder of this school year. You will be receiving an email from Tapestry asking you to download your child's learning journal.

**Please ensure you do this by FRIDAY 1st JULY.**

Accounts may be deleted or posts lost after this date.



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**This Half Term's Value is:**  
**Flexibility**

