

Weekly Newsletter 16th May 2022



Right of the Fortnight: Article 15: Your right to make friends & join groups.



Dear Parents and Carers

What a fabulous week! As always I am so proud of our children and their achievements. It has been a real pleasure this week to see how our **Year 2** and **Year 6** pupils have embraced their **SATs assessments**. They have been overwhelmingly resilient and focussed throughout, and a real credit to you their parents/carers and their teachers. I would like to thank the hardworking and committed staff who have given so much time and dedication to supporting them throughout. Well done to all concerned. Whatever happens, you can be confident that the huge efforts and impressive responses to the pandemic will have given your kids the best possible chance for success. Y6 enjoyed an afternoon of bowling as a well deserved post SATs week treat. Year 2 will continue to complete their SATs assessments over the next two weeks.

Upcoming Assessments

This term ahead is very busy, full of assessments to capture how much progress the children have made and to benchmark them nationally against other schools. On our return to school, after half term, children in **Year 1** will take part in the **phonics screening check**. Thank you to all Y1 parents/carers for supporting at home. The last set of statutory assessments are for Year 4 who will be completing their **multiplications tables check** (MTC). The staff and children are currently working extremely hard in all year groups to ensure the children are as well prepared as they can be. Please make sure that your child attends school regularly. Everyday really does count.

Goodbye to Mrs Elliott

Mrs Elliott currently teaches Mon-Wed in KS1: covering Y2F whilst Mrs Farnaby takes her SENCO time and PPA (Planning, Preparation & Assessment time) as well as PPA in Y1L and Y2/3O. Mrs Elliott has secured an exciting new role with Twinkl and will be creating content for parent/carer pages. The flexibility of the post will allow Mrs Elliott to be able to do the 'school runs'. We thank Mrs Elliott for her contribution to our school and send her every good wish for her future. Mrs Elliott will officially leave on Wednesday, 25th May, however, will accompany the Y2 children to see Joseph on Thursday, 26th May. Mrs Rowe and Mrs Pawlak will cover Mrs Elliott throughout the rest of the term.

Enjoy your week!

Mrs E Bramley and Miss C Champion

How can you be more Deaf aware?

- Make sure you have the **person's attention** before you start speaking
- Maintain **eye contact**
- Don't shout.** It's uncomfortable for hearing aid users and appears aggressive
- Avoid environments with excess noise / Choose somewhere with **good lighting**
- Speak clearly**, not too slow or too fast. Don't cover your mouth
- Don't keep repeating** the same word, explain what your trying to say differently

THE DEAF HEALTH CHARITY SIGNHEALTH

The theme of this year's **Deaf Awareness Week** was 'Deaf Inclusion' - exploring the inclusion of deaf people within our community'.

Our school community is very inclusive, for example, we work alongside 'Teachers of the Deaf' to integrate children with bi-lateral cochlear implants into our mainstream school and we pay for and arrange for interpreters to support parents/carers who are deaf to access parent/carer consultation evenings etc.

This poster illustrates how we can all be more **deaf aware**.

Dates For Your Diary - Summer Term

Mon 16th May	Y5 SPARK Education Visit
Mon 16th & Wed 18th May	Rearranged Consultation Evenings for Parent/Carers of Y2F
Tues 17th May	Athletic Event for some Y5 and Y6 Pupils
Thurs 19th May	Kwik Cricket Event for some Y6 Pupils
W/c 23rd May	Y5 Swimming Daily (Block 1)
Mon 23rd May	World Cultural Diversity Day & The Royal Reading Challenge
Thurs 26th May	10am Y2 'Guardians of the Wild' Presentation PM Y2 Theatre Royal Newcastle Visit - 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat'
Fri 27th May	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations including special Jubilee Menu at lunchtime PM KS1 Open the Book Children break up for Half Term

MAY HALF TERM BREAK
Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June

Mon 6th June
PD Day for Staff Training
(school closed for pupils)

Tues 7th June
School reopens for pupils

7th—10th June	Y5 Swimming Daily (Block 2)
Wed 15th June	Y3 Sing Education Workshop
Fri 17th June	Some Y3s Engage in Sports Festival
Mon 11th July	Academy Hub Music Events for some Y3 pupils



Summer Term Statutory Assessments

KS1

- May 2022 **KS1 SATs** test period.
- Week commencing Tuesday 7th June: **Y1 Phonics Screening Check & Y2 resits.**

KS2

- 3-week period commencing Tuesday 7th June: **Y4 Multiplication Tables Check**

Your class teacher regularly shares information on what you can do to help your child with their learning. **Reading daily, quizzing with MyOn, learning spellings, learning number bonds or times tables and completing all homework tasks carefully remain the priority.**

If you have any queries at all please do speak to your child's teacher.

Weekly Awards - week-ending
Friday, 13th May 2022

Congratulations to each of our
Star Pupils:

Nursery	- Dylan Allon & Jacob Matthews
Reception	- Lilly Dixon
Little Willows	- Harrison Kirk
Y1L	- Lacie Carse
Y2F	- Daisy Murray-Walker
Y2/30	- Esmee-Olivya Donnelly
Y3R	- Zia Kelly-Bostock
Y4H	- James Luker
Y4SW	- James Duff
Y5BE	- Lily Dodds-Day
Y6G	- Molly Gill
Y6S	- All Y6S Pupils

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Congratulations to each of our
Remarkable Readers:

Nursery	- Harry Robinson & Oakley Harrison
Reception	- Mason Lavender
Little Willows	- Alyza Bateman
Y1L	- Isaac Cummings
Y2F	- Toby Chocholko
Y2/30	- Skye Stainsby
Y3R	- Thea Birch
Y4H	- Kaci-Leigh Moody-Blackburn
Y4SW	- Connor Bateman
Y5BE	- Millie Weetman
Y6G	- Imogen Gate
Y6S	- All Y6S Pupils

Recommended Read

This week's recommended read is from
Mrs Pullinger
"I Don't Want Curly Hair"
by Laura Ellen Anderson



This is a hilarious tale about being thankful
for what we have.

Two young girls wish they had the other
girls hair.

Will they still feel the same at the end of the
story?

It's in our 'Alice in Wonderland library' - a
firm favourite with Y2s.

Minecraft League of Literacy



The League of Literacy is a new series of Minecraft:
Education Edition build challenges, offered in
partnership with Random House, with support
from the National Literacy Trust. These challenges
are designed to:

- encourage students' love of reading
- enhance comprehension
- support teachers with learning content and
programming.

The first challenge centres on *Minecraft: The
Island* by Max Brooks and is aimed at pupils
aged 8-14. For this initial challenge our school
will enter the competition to be in with a chance to
win a free box of books.