

Newsletter No 31

12th May 2023

Year 6 SATs

Well done to all of our fabulous Year 6 children for completing their tests this week. The papers have now been sent off for marking and we should receive the test scores in July. We are all incredibly proud of the maturity and resilience the children have shown and know that they have all tried their best. It's important to remember that your children have tried their very best and that is all that we have asked for. The SATs are designed to assess the children's attainment and compare results generally across the country. If your child does not pass any of the tests, then this does not mean that they cannot be successful at secondary school or in their future because evidenced based research states that all children develop their cognitive ability on an individual basis. What these tests don't capture is the children's unique qualities, character, interests, and strengths that make them who they are as an individual. The adults in this school know them beyond what the test will show and celebrate their diverse talents, interests and backgrounds. Next week, our Year 2 children will be doing their SATs too, which will be very low key to ensure no additional pressure is put on the children at such a young age.

Values - Thoughtfulness

Thoughtfulness is when you think about the people that you love or someone that has moved away. In school I can show thoughtfulness by thinking of other people when they are sad and trying to cheer them up – this might include taking them to an adult. We have a display of our current value, thoughtfulness, in our classroom which shows how we can demonstrate thoughtfulness in different places. At home I show thoughtfulness by looking after my sister and thinking about her when I'm in school. - Ariel and Nana

Safeguarding Update - Bike safety

As the weather warms up, it is crucial that we remind our children of road safety, especially when on bikes and scooters. Please encourage your child to wear a helmet to protect their head, follow traffic rules, and stay visible with reflective clothing. Teaching them about proper signalling and road awareness ensures a safe and enjoyable biking experience. More information can be found here: Cycle Safety | Child Accident Prevention Trust (capt.org.uk)

Safeguarding – Mental Health Awareness Week 15th – 20th May 2023

Mental health is a focus for all children and staff at our school. Our PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education) curriculum and lessons encompasses 'healthy minds and well-being' and how to deal with emotions and feeling such as worry and anxiety. This is an issue which can affect anyone, both adults and children, especially if we experience changes, or when parents/partners are deployed away for long periods. More information and resources for both children and adults can be found here:

https://mentalhealth-uk.org/

NSPCC - Childhood Day - Friday 9th June

We will be taking part in the NSPCC's Childhood Day this year. It is a day to bring everyone together, to have fun and help raise money for the charity who protect children. We know how important it is for children to have a happy and healthy childhood. On June 9th we will be encouraging children and staff to challenge themselves to 'move a mile' during the day and at the same time raise money for the NSPCC.

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Please see the attached letter for more details.



Leaving Zouch Academy

If you are due to move away from the area and your child will be leaving Zouch Academy, please complete our leavers form available at the school office, as soon as possible.

This will enable us to collate your child's books and class work for their new school, it also informs us of the school we need to contact to forward on your child's information.

PE and Forest School Days: Please ensure that children have the correct kit in school for their PE, Forest School and Swimming sessions

Class	PE	Forest School
Nursery	Daily Activity	Friday
YR (Robins and	Monday	Monday
Wrens)		
Y1 (Skylarks and	Wednesday	Tuesday
Nightingales)		
Y2 (Woodpeckers	Wednesday	Wednesday
and Kingfishers)		
Y3 (Eagles and	Wednesday	Thursday
Merlins)	Friday	
Y4 (Ospreys and	Monday	
Kestrels*)	Thursday	
Y5 (Peregrines	Wednesday	Friday
and	Thursday	
Sparrowhawks)		
Y6 (Tawny and	Tuesday	
Snowy Owls)	Thursday	

Swimming for Osprey Class (Y4) each Monday.

Future dates for your diary:

Wc Monday 15th May - Year 2 SATS

Tuesday 16th May - Year 3 Trip to Langford Lakes

Thursday 25th May – Year 2 Dance Performance 9.15am

Friday 26th May – Finish at 13.10pm for Half Term

Monday 5th June – First Day Back Term 6! Y6 Pencelli Residential Kestrel Swimming Starts

Wednesday 7th June – Reception 2023 Meeting 6.00-7.00pm

Friday 23rd June – Military Dress Up Day – Bring a £1 for 'Scotty's Little Soliders'.

Monday 3rd July – Teacher Training Day, School Closed to pupils

Tuesday 4th July – Osprey Recorder Concert to Parents at 2.30pm KS2 Hall

Wednesday 5th July - Sports Day

Tuesday 11th July – Kestrel Recorder Concert to Parents at 2.30pm KS2 Hall

Tuesday 25th July – End of Summer Term, Finish at 13.10pm

