

'Hand in hand, we love. learn and achieve'

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<u>Proverby 31:26</u> She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue

Quote the Week

It's about how we conduct ourselves on and off the pitch, how we bring people together, how we inspire and unite, how we create memories that last beyond the 90 minutes. That last beyond the summer. That last forever." Gareth Southgate

DIARY DATES				
2021	LATEST ITEMS SHOWN IN RED			
14.06.21	CLASS 2 SWIMMING			
14.06.21	YEAR 5 & 6 ACTIVITY DAY— WHITEMOOR LAKE			
16.06.21	CLASS 2 VIOLINS			
18.06.21	FATHERS DAY SERVICE—9.15AM VIA ZOOM			
21.06.21	CONKERS TRIP PERMISSION— CLASS 2 AND YEAR 4'S FROM CLASS 3			
22.06.21	CLASS 1 TRIP TO PACKINGTON FARM,			
23.06.21	YEAR 6 DRUGS AWARENESS PRESENTATION			
28.06.21/2 9.06.21	MOVE UP/TRANSITION DAYS			
30.06.21	YEAR 4/5 STANDON BOWERS PERMISSIONS/DEPOSITS DUE			
01.07.21	CLASS 2 AND YEAR 4'S FROM CLASS 3 TRIP TO CONKERS			
08.07.21	NEEDWOOD SPORTS DAY—PM			
09.07.21	NO WORSHIP			
14.07.21	LEAVERS LUNCH AND SERVICE			
15.07.21	NW FINAL CELEBRATION WOR- SHIP 9.15AM			
16.07.21	FF SERVICE 9.30AM			
16.07.21	LAST DAY OF TERM & MRS GETHIN'S LAST DAY			

W/C	SCHOOL CLUBS
06.06.21	KWIK CRICKET AFTERSCHOOL SES-
	SIONS—CLASS 2 AND 3—3.30PM -
	4.30PM

	HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS				
	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3		
		Romilly			
	Green Star ★ Bronz	e Star ★ Silver Star	★ Gold Star ★		
	Bronze Cup	Silver Cup	Gold Cup		
	Bronze Medal	Silver medal W	Gold medal		
	OF THE WEEK				
1	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3		

Albie S—This week Albie has been giving his learning tasks 110% effort, whilst assisting other children to use their Ipads. Albie was able to not only access google earth on his Ipad but was then helping the other children! Thank you Albie for always making such a wonderful contribution!

Afeni—For her enthusiasm and engagement in lessons. Afeni often demonstrates her excellent general knowledge, thoughtful opinions, recall of grammar terminology and her extensive understanding of a wide range of vocabulary. Well done Afeni!

Aart—For his outstanding piece of written homework. His non-chronological report about a mythological creature was both well-written and beautifully presented. It was an example of Aart's commitment and enthusiasm for writing. Well done Aart!



THIS WEEK IN FOCUS



As we close our week with Football Friday ready for the kick off of the Euros, we reflect on Gareth Southgate's letter in which many important issues are raised from caring and upholding the Nation's values, role models to equality, inclusivity, racial injustice an social media bullying. Dear England by Gareth Southgate | The Players' Tribune (theplayerstribune.com) Have a read if you can. Anyway! Children have enjoyed their 'Euros' launch week which kicked off with a

wonderful worship and led into lots of excellent curriculum activities from geography to maths. 'Football Shirt Friday' culminated this week although we will continue to follow the tournament and cheer on our sweepstake teams.

Some of our Y6 children have enjoyed meeting staff from their new high schools and have continued their smart moves project as part of their transition preparation.

As promised, I said I'd share our deforestation day work too on the final day of term. Deforestation day saw some very important work towards developing our children's understanding of the importance of protecting our world and the rainforests – such as these posters for not using palm oil. This continues our wonderful work towards being global citizens, our international award and our British Council Work with Uganda

Ralph has had another well needed bath and has had a great week.

Next week we look forward to our Father's day celebrations (via Zoom at 9.15am on Friday), the start of a large number of visits including two Whitmoor lakes trips next week!



USEFUL INFORMATION

CLASS STRUCTURES 2021/2022



You'll be pleased to know that as it stands to date that we do not need to split our Y2 and Y4. In order to manage expectations please note that this is *subject to change* as we may be required to have more reception children (and this would be good as we have only taken 7 from the 12 available places) and we can be told of these change all the way up until 31st August. That said, it is rare that huge changes are made and we will communicate if any-

thing does change.

We have also had a move around of teaching staff in order to develop their skills and share practice within differing teams and are excited to share our class teachers profile.

- Class 1: Mrs Edden (Monday, Tuesday) and Mrs Perkins (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday).
- Class 2: Mrs Wagstaff (Monday, Tuesday) and Mrs Pendleton (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday).

Class 3: Mrs Miller Rowley (Monday, Tuesday, half day Wednesday) and Mrs Ashton (half day Wednesday, Thursday and Friday).

SING EFTV

Studies suggest that the majority of UV damage suffered by our skin occurs before the age of 20, and burning at a tender age can lead to much more serious problems later in life including skin cancer. Some sunshine can be good for us, helping the body to create vitamin D and giving a feeling of general wellbeing.

How to protect your child The best way to stop the sun harming your child is through a combination of the clothing, sunscreen and water bottles you provide and sensible sun exposure at school.

Clothing Long sleeved, light and loose fitting tops made from breathable fabrics like cotton offer protection while allowing the skin to stay cool. Equally important are hats that not only shade the face but also protect the ears and the back of the neck from the sun.

Sunscreen Sunscreens can offer protection against the two main types of ultraviolet (UV) radiation that damage the skin: UVA and UVB. Children need an SPF of 30 or more to block harmful UVB radiation. Please ensure your child's sunscreen is named and teach them how to apply it as we are only allowed to supervise!

Shade We try, wherever possible, to keep the children out of the sun for long periods and when it is strongest but this isn't easy as it is the majority of the school day. We use common sense and ensure \ children wear their hats and have access to water.

Water It is very important, all year round, that your child has a water bottle for healthy, regular water intake. We only allow water in school and will dispose of any other forms of

Don't forget that children learn by example. We try to practise what we preach so please make sure you protect yourself in the sun too!

SUN SAFETY

As the weather is starting to warm up please remember sun hats and sun cream. The poster on this page gives you some more information regarding Sun Safety.

All the rest of our amazing Teaching Assistants may be deployed across all 3 classes.

LUNCH MENU

We are on week 2 of the school lunch when we return (WC 14.06.21)—the menu is attached for your information.



TRIPS

A gentle reminder to return any trip permission emails and payments to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you in advance.

WELLBEING

Below and attached to this Newsletter is the Action for Happiness wellbeing calendar for June—it has some lovely ideas and inspiration!





What a fabulous start to our new Forest School sessions. This time is was the turn of some of our year 2 children. In fact, it was quite a large group this time – 14 children but they behaved so well, it was a joy to teach them.

One of the many things the children did was to clear the fire circle and make it spick and span and remake the stone circle. They enthusiastically dug and pulled up all the unwanted foliage. As you can see they did a great job!





The bug hotel was expanded and lots of children went off with plant pots with leaves, mud and stones that the bugs will love. We set up a special bug observatory where they could look at some of their finds in great detail using magnifying glasses.





Muds pies too were very popular — not sure if there was more mud on the children than in the pots!!





Later whilst having a drink we learnt some fascinating facts about worms:

They can have between one and 5 pairs of hearts, when cut in half the top part with the head will grow another tail, over a million worms can live in an acre of land and why they are a gardener's friend – when tunneling through the soil they bring in air, to name a few.

Just a quick reminder, even though we are having some beautiful warm weather can you ensure the children wear long trousers please. It protects them when they are kneeling and from bites and stings.





Parish News



Disclaimer: We are proud to have a newsletter which shares information with you for our parish, village, WI, social club, Rascals and our local communities. We do try to vet all items which go into school bags and unless you are notified, are not paid to provide this information. We do not necessarily endorse and we cannot be held responsible for the validity or content of external information.

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