



Newsletter



Summer term

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12th May 2023



Dear Parents / Carers

We have enjoyed another couple of really busy weeks in school again. We were delighted to have duck eggs in school to watch them hatch into beautiful ducklings. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to observe this amazing natural process. They grew really quickly and we were all sad to see them leave last week as they were relocated to a local farm.

The children had an amazing day last Friday celebrating the coronation of King Charles 111 wearing their red, white and blue outfits with their fantastic crowns. The whole school singing the National Anthem in the hall was really quite impressive. The torrential rain didn't dampen our spirits and the street party planned for the playground just relocated to indoor drier venues! Thank you for all your kind donations of food, there really was quite a feast for everyone.

This week Year 6 have been undertaking their SAT's and we are really proud of their efforts and attitude; they have all approached the tests with positivity and maturity. Well done to everyone!

As the weather is now improving, it is great that more children are choosing to scoot or cycle to school; our storage racks are becoming quite full some days. Next week is National Walk to School Week and we will be promoting this initiative to encourage active travel to school. With this in mind we do ask the children to dismount and push their bikes and scooters to the racks when they arrive at school so that we can keep everyone safe on the playground.

Could I please remind you that we are a mobile phone free school and ask that you don't use your mobile phones on the school grounds when collecting your children. This is a measure we put in place to safeguard you and your children. Many thanks.

Mrs Headland.

Need Help? In the current economic climate, if you find yourself in any financial difficulty please contact Mrs Chesters-Lewis, our Family Support Worker to have a confidential discussion about support that may be available.



Diary Dates

- 15th May—Walk to School Week
- 15th May—Year 2 Quizzes begin
- 16th May—Multi Sports Trip Yr 6
- 22nd May—Class Photos (more info to follow)
- 26th May—Cake Sale & Non Uniform Day (more info to follow)
- 26th May—End of Term
- 5th June—Return to School
- 26th June—Outdoor Learning Week
- 20th July—Yr6 Leavers Assembly (more info to follow)
- 21st July—Last Day of Term

Important Information

Attendance

A big well done to Woodpecker class this week with 98.6% attendance and Willow & Owl class last week. The whole school attendance is 94% but we are aiming for 98%!



School Dinners In line

with the food price increases we will need to increase the school dinner prices as of the 5th June to £2.50 per meal. HCL will continue to provide the amazing, good value dinners cooked fresh on site.

School Dinners



Change to Menu Please note, it is Census day on Thursday next week so we have swapped Friday's choices to Thursday. Please could you check your School Grid account to ensure your child receives the correct meal of their choice?

Thursday 18th May—Battered Fish / Pizza Wrap, Jacket Potato / Egg Baguette

Friday 19th May—Hot Dog / Special Fried Rice & Spring Roll / Jacket Potato / Cheese Sandwich

If your child chooses to bring a packed lunch please be reminded that we are strictly **NUT FREE**.

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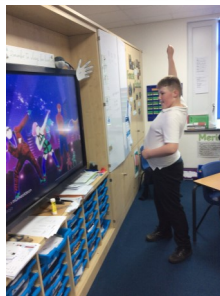
Ducklings

The children in year 1 had the opportunity of nurturing some duckling eggs this week and watching them hatch. It created huge excitement as they witnessed the ducklings first swim before heading off to their new home.



Year 6 SATs

Year 6 successfully completed their SATs test papers today. They have worked so hard and we are very proud of them. This afternoon they celebrated by letting their hair down and dancing around the classroom to some very loud music. Some very interesting dance moves from both staff and students were witnessed! Afterwards they all settled down to watch a movie with popcorn and treats.



Kings Coronation



We were overwhelmed with the amount of support our parents showed towards our Coronation street party last Friday. Thank you to everyone who donated cakes, crisps and squash. The children had a wonderful time wearing their red white and blue clothing and the crowns that they had made. It was very special to be able to mark this historical event.



Premier Education Holiday

Camps Near You - May Half Term

Holiday camps near you



Premier Education

	29th May - 2nd June				
Monday	BANK HOLIDAY				
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*Please note that Bland Lane, Elbow and Cornhill are the only venues with the extended day option available. All other venues will run from 9:00am-3:30pm only.

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9:00am - 3:30pm
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Specialist Days
9:00am - 3:30pm
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PLEASE BRING:
- A water bottle
- A packed lunch
- A change of clothes
- A pair of shoes

Further information
We are delighted to announce that our new Premier Education Camps are now open for booking. These camps will be a fantastic opportunity for your child to enjoy a fun-filled day with their friends and staff. The camps are held at our venues across the country and are a great way to celebrate the start of the school year. For more information please visit our website or contact our office on 01234 740100.

Free School Meals

If your family circumstances have changed you may be entitled to claim for Free School Meals. If you would like an application form please ask at the school office. Thank you



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