





12th May 2023

Firstly, thank you to everyone who was able to come to and supported our coronation celebration afternoon last week. It was so lovely to be able to welcome LOTS of parents and carers into the school and classrooms. The donations of cakes and buns were very well received! A big THANK YOU to our wonderful PTA who supported this.

This week we have been really proud of all of the children in Mighty Oaks who have been sitting the end of key stage 2 SATs. These statutory assessments involve tests over four days in grammar, reading and maths - they really are quite tricky! All of us in the school have been incredibly impressed by the children's positive attitudes and resilience over these days a massive well done to everyone! Also, a big THANK YOU to all of the adults that have supported the children during this period – consistently going 'above and beyond'.

This week in assembly I have been talking about being curious and showing curiosity. We have discussed how 'being curious' is a brilliant thing to be and how over time, human curiosity has led to incredible achievements. I challenged the children to be curious and to find out more about King Charles I and King Charles II – I was





amazed at how many have come back to me with the things they have found out. We have also talked about the Eurovision song contest that is taking place this weekend. This was a great opportunity to talk about the continent of Europe. We even had some of our own singing with Seedlings sharing their continent song.

Can I take this opportunity to remind everyone about the importance of the children arriving at school on time. Registration is currently 8.55am and all learning starts promptly from this time. Regular lateness really does impact on the children being able to access key learning such as phonics. Our gates are open from 8.40am and children are welcome to come into school from this time. In September it is very likely that we will need to move our registration time earlier.

I hope you all have a great weekend – surely the weather has to improve?

Mr Hick







Polly want a video call?

Parrots are a very social species and love to connect with other birds, but they are often kept alone as pets. Scientists from the US taught pet parrots to video call each other to help them feel less lonely - and the results were amazing! All the parrots in the study showed signs of improved wellbeing. The parrots would sing, play around, go upside down and show the other birds their toys.



Take your Child to Work Day - at the White House!

Have you ever wondered what grown ups do at work all day? Well, the President of the USA let his employees' children find out! President Biden hosted a Take Your Child to Work Day where grown ups could bring their children to the White House - and they even got to dress up like their parents too! Here is his Secret Service team looking a little smaller than usual!

Your weekly round up of feel-good news from around the world!







Woman accidentally ordered 333,000 chocolate bars

A woman in Canada accidentally ordered 333,000 Rum and Butter chocolate bars - all with the expiry date of June 2023! She had to think fast and managed to sell 200,000 of them. However, due to the looming expiry date, many stores and food banks refused to take them. She has now given away the rest - including sending some to Ukraine.







Zoo hiring people to dress up as birds

Blackpool Zoo has posted a job advert for 'Seagull Deterrents,' asking people to dress up in inflatable bird costumes to scare away seagulls. The nuisance seagulls steal food from visitors and animals. The advert says the ideal candidate must be comfortable wearing a bird







World's first colour changing car

In the future if you're ever stuck on what colour car to buy, you might be able to buy them all! BMW has revealed the world's first colour changing car - which can switch between 32 different colours in a matter of seconds. The chameleon-like car, called the Vision Dee, uses special electronic ink technology on the body panels. There are no plans for the car to be made available just yet.





Sports Day

We have set a provisional date of 7th June for this year's sports day. Key stage 1 will take place in the morning and key stage 2 will take place over the afternoon. Weather dependent but we hope that this will be able to take place on the Rec. We will send more details soon.

Bikeability

This takes place next week for our Y6 children. Details have already been sent home about this. Where children do not have a bike then I am hoping to borrow some from Bosvigo School, however there is only a limited supply of these.



School Camp Meeting – 22nd May

On Monday 22nd May we are inviting parents of carers to a short meeting about this year's Y6 residential. This will take place in the Y6 classroom. A letter has gone home today detailing the activities which the children will be taking part in and the equipment that they need. Please can any outstanding balances be settled by **Wednesday 31**st **May** in line with the payment schedule. – Thank you.

<u>Year 5/6 Show – Advance notice</u>

We can now confirm the dates/times for the Y6 show at the end of the summer term:

- Wednesday 19th morning dress rehearsal
- Thursday 20th -1pm and 6pm performances



Swimming

Year 6 swimming begins on the week beginning 19th June, this will take place every afternoon for two weeks. The children will need a **swimming hat and goggles** for these sessions. We are asking for a contribution towards the cost of travel of £15 payable with consent via Parent Pay.





Non uniform day - Friday 19th May Dress colourful

To bring some colour to this years summer fair, we are bringing back the rainbow raffle. Prizes will include 7 luxury coloured themed hampers put together by each class (as well as some other amazing prizes)

We are asking each pupil (only if they are able) to donate an item corresponding to the colour their class have been given. It could be an unwanted gift, bubble bath, sweets, wine, candle or anything else in that colour.

Reception	Acorns	Blue
Yearl	Seedlings	Yellow
Year 2	Buds	Pink
Year 3	Young Oaks	Green
Year 4	Bur Oaks	Purple
Year 5	Red Oaks	Red
Year 6	Mighty Oaks	Orange

Please check expiry dates and no perishible items please.

The Hampers will be raffled at the upcoming summer fair on 14th July.

Items can be brought into school on Friday 19th May.

Dates For Your Diary		
16.5.23 – 18.5.23	Year 6 Bikeability	
19.5.23	Non-uniform day – Dress colourful	
29.5.23 – 2.6.23	HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
5.6.23	Start of half term	
7.6.23	Sports Day - weather depending	
14.6.23 – 16.6.23	Year 6 Residential Trip – Beam House	
19.6.23	Year 6 – two-week swimming block begins. Hats and goggles needed.	
3.7.23	Year 5 – two-week swimming block begins. Hats and goggles needed.	
19.7.23	Y5/6 End of Year Show	
21.7.23	End of term for children	



GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Krill & Olive	
SEEDLINGS	Sienna & Xander	
BUDS	Ailla & Jenny	
YOUNG OAKS	Saphena & Holly	
BUR OAKS	Jake & Oscar	
RED OAKS	Beatrice, Sadie & Mariah	
MIGHTY OAKS	The Whole Class	

