

Newsletter - Summer Term 6 Week 3

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Message from the Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you so much to those of you who sent cards in for 'National Thank a Teacher Day'. It was wonderful to receive them and very much appreciated by all our staff who have worked so hard over the pandemic. I am very proud of all our school staff, and it is lovely to have them recognised by parents and carers as well.

We are holding our celebration assemblies on Friday July 16th. The primary assembly is at 10am outside, and the secondary assembly is at 2pm outside. If it rains, we will move under the shelters outside classrooms. Parents and carers of those students changing sites, or leaving secondary, will receive a separate letter with details of their invitation to the celebration. As I said last week, unfortunately we cannot invite any other parents or carers this year but are hopeful we can hold a harvest assembly next year and a picnic in September.

We are holding our Sportsfest on Thursday July 8th, which, again, we sadly cannot invite any visitors to, but we will share lots of pictures. Events will include the 'Hobby Horse Grand National' and students will make their own hobby horses.

Parents and carers of those students changing sites from primary to secondary will start receiving phone calls with a time they can come with their son or daughter to look round. We will be able to share classes and class teams with you all later next week and there will be transition books made for any students moving class or changing teacher.

Finally, we are sending annual reports home in the week beginning 12th July, where you have an overview of all your son or daughter's learning this year.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone

Best wishes

Lucy

Headteachers Awards



Captain Tom Awards



Dates for the Diary

Last day of term - 19th July 1pm finish

Orange Class



On Friday of last week, it was Orange Class's turn to lead the Primary School Assembly. We did our assembly on showing respect using our hands. Last week and this week, we frequently used our hands to show respect, communicate, and learn. We have been practising using the Switch during our number songs and to say good afternoon. We have been exploring our senses using lentils, shaving foam, and couscous but also looking at making marks and changing states. For example, adding water and other ingredients to the couscous. We have also been using our hands to explore new toys in the playground and the Big Playground, which we have not been able to use because of COVID restrictions. We hope to be continuing to explore more places on the Primary School site before the end of this academic year.



Gold Class

In Gold Class we have enjoyed learning all about plants, which means we have also appreciated the recent rain as it is helping our garden to grow. We have helped by digging up weeds, preparing the beds and helped to plant bulbs with Becky. We have then continued the work in the classroom by finding out more about plants, their parts and functions and how they spread and continue growing. We learnt that flowers are pretty to attract bees which help with pollination. We also discovered that we need plants for our oxygen and to keep our world healthy. Yesterday we explored carnivorous plants which was fun. We learnt about the ways plants have adapted themselves in order to lure insects in and trap them before digesting them. We designed our own carnivorous plants with a range of ingenious traps for our prey. We even discovered that David Attenborough has a pitcher plant named after him in the Philippines which is large enough to trap rats. We have also been enjoying drumming with Alex - and are getting rather skilled at it,

