



Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed a great half-term and enjoyed the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. It has been wonderful to see everyone back in school this week with great attitudes and ready to learn. We have a busy, exciting seven weeks ahead of us before the summer holidays with lots of learning opportunities to look forward to.

This week we have had a big focus on English and Phonics in school. Mr Cope (our English Leader) has visited lots of excellent English lessons and we have been thinking carefully about the high quality texts we offer to enable our pupils to become 'lifelong readers'. Phonics is always really important at Hunton & Arrathorne and this week the Year 1 children have worked very hard demonstrating their phonic skills in the national Phonics Screening Check. Mrs Cromey-Hawke, Mr Cope and I have also been very busy assessing the impact of our new phonics programme (Little Wandle) and we are really pleased with what we have found.

Next week, the Year 4 children will begin to take their Multiplication Check. Please spend some time practising times table recall facts, playing on TTRockstars or Maths Frame. Little and often really does help!

Have a good weekend,

Mr Donaldson

Sun Safety

As the weather (hopefully) gets warmer, please remember to ensure children have sun-hats, sun cream and a water bottle in school – particularly on P.E days.

Year 6 Transition

We are sure that secondary schools have been in touch with Y6 directly, however below is a reminder of transition events we are aware of:

4th – 6th July: Richmond School
 4th – 7th July: Wensleydale School
 11th July: St Francis Xavier

Ice Lolly Friday

Our wonderful Pupil Leadership Team are organizing some summer fundraising. They will be selling a selection of delicious ice-lollies for 50p after school on Fridays – from next week!

Let's Celebrate!

Our wonderful award winners this week are:

| | Robin Class (Rec/Y1) | Kingfisher Class (Y2) | Partridge Class (Y3/4) | Woodpecker Class (Y5/6) |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Above & Beyond (Care – Aspire – Excel)</i> | Rose F | All of Year 2 | Georgia | Ned |
| <i>Writer of the Week</i> | Rose G | Felicity | Barnaby | Ellie |
| <i>Mathematician of the Week</i> | Margot | Charlie | Matilda | Emily |
| <i>Tidy Classroom</i> | Robins | | | |
| <i>Team Point Winners (Term)</i> | Bolton | | | |
| <i>The Golden Spoon</i> | Livy | | | |

Diary Dates

| When? | What? | Who? | How? |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Tuesday 21 st June | Sports Afternoon | All | Parents informed |
| Wednesday 6 th July | Whole School Transition Afternoon | All | See newsletter |
| Mon 11 th / Tue 12 th July | Y2 – Y6 Rehearsal Days | Y2 – Y6 | Parents informed |
| Wednesday 13 th July | Y2-Y6 Production – 2pm & 6.30pm | Y2 – Y6 | Parents informed |
| Monday 18 th July | Wellbeing Picnic | Pupils | Information to follow |
| Friday 22 nd July | Leavers Assembly – 2pm | Y6 Parents | Information to follow |
| Friday 22 nd July | School Closes for Summer Holiday | All | See newsletter |

Governors' Corner

On Monday 6th of June I accompanied Mr Donaldson and Mr Bland (NYCC H&S Officer) on a Health and Safety check around the school. There were no major issues arising from the inspection and it was reassuring to see the care taken to ensure the pupils safety throughout the school and premises.

Julie Sargent (H&S Governor)

Around the Classes...

Robin Class: What a great first week back. The children were very enthusiastic to tell us all about what they got up to over the holiday. I really enjoyed hearing about the 'Party in the Park!' The children did some wonderful writing about their adventures. In Maths the children have been halving in Year 1, and adding on and taking away in Reception. Phonics and reading sessions are going well, with the Year 1's completing their Phonic Screening Check this week; all I can say is WOW!

Kingfisher Class: What a busy week we have had! This week, we have really enjoyed becoming David Attenborough in our reading and writing lessons. We have been researching giant pandas and reading lots of reports about different animals to help us plan our own reports which we will write next week. In maths, we have started to learn about measuring in non-standard and standard units – we enjoyed working in metres to measure our heights!

Partridge Class: It has been a lovely start to our last half term in Partridge class! We have been learning all about telling the time in maths and performing poems in English. In PE we have started our new topic for the term, athletics, and have practised our running, jumping and throwing skills.

Woodpecker Class:

We welcomed the children back after half term and we have had a great first week back. In maths, we have been investigating shapes and sorting them using their properties using some very tricky Venn diagrams which the children have picked up brilliantly. In English, we have moved from formal writing to more informal, picking out the features of a diary which will help us when we come to write our own next week. The children particularly enjoyed playing some AR games in computing which they then reviewed by producing their own vlogs and they have also approached our Joseph songs with brilliant enthusiasm!

Safeguarding Reminders

If you are concerned about the safety or welfare of a child, it is important to remember that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, however the below information may be useful:

The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mr. Samuel Donaldson, the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) is Mr. Gavin Cope. The named governor for Safeguarding is Mrs. Louise Wyatt.

Further information, including policies, can be found on our website.