



Dear Parents & Carers,

With only two weeks left of this term, our thoughts are really turning towards transition and September. I know that the Year 6 pupils who visited their new secondary schools this week were excited about the challenges which lie ahead; I am sure the remaining pupils who will transition next week will experience the same!

On Wednesday, the rest of the school had a great time in their new classes – for some children that meant a new teacher and new classmates – but everyone took it in their stride. It was especially lovely to welcome the new Reception children in for the whole day, as well as other children who will be starting at Hunton & Arrathorne in September in different year groups.

Excitement is definitely building for our performances of ‘Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dream coat’ next week. Many thanks to those of you who have brought costumes and returned slips. There are some reminders overleaf about the rehearsal days; however please don’t hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Have a good weekend,  
Mr Donaldson

### Governors’ Corner

*I attended my first official meeting as a governor this evening and I am really looking forward to being involved in the life of the school. I have worked in education for over 30 years, teaching in a variety of primary schools, including being a headteacher for 16 years. I have already made several visits to the school and have been very impressed by the attitude of the children to their learning and the commitment of the staff. The children have a wealth of experiences and opportunities along with a vibrant learning environment and I hope that I can contribute to, and support, the school in the future learning journey of the children.*

Andrea Peacock  
Co-opted Governor

### Let’s Celebrate!

This week, once again, our teachers have chosen ‘anyone from anywhere!’ for their Care – Aspire – Excel award:

	Mr. Cope	Miss Pole	Mr. Donaldson	Mrs Cromey-Hawke	Mrs Dozēy
Above & Beyond (Care – Aspire – Excel)	George	Annie	Amelia	Penelope	Oscar
Tidy Classroom	Woodpeckers				
Team Point Winners (Term)	Richmond				
The Golden Spoon	Max Cockburn				

## Diary Dates

When?	What?	Who?	How?
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> / Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 – Y6 Rehearsal Days	Y2 – Y6	Parents informed
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2-Y6 Production – 2pm & 6.30pm	Y2 – Y6	Parents informed
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Annual Reports Home	All	See newsletter
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Wellbeing Picnic	Pupils	Parents informed
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Leavers Assembly – 2pm	Y6 Parents	Information to follow
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	School Closes for Summer Holiday	All	See newsletter

### Joseph Rehearsal Days

Just a few reminders about our rehearsal days next week:

- Normal school times will operate from Tunstall Village Hall.
- Children who are unable to get to Tunstall will be transported by minibus with school staff and return for 3.15pm.
- Please remember packed lunches, water and any medicines / inhalers!

### Sun Safety

As we hopefully experience a warm July, please continue to take precautions in the sun. Please remember to ensure children have sun-hats, sun cream and a water bottle in school – particularly on P.E days.

### Ice Lolly Friday

Don't forget that the Pupil Leadership Team are continuing to sell ice lollies on 'Ice Lolly Friday'. Priced only 50p and available at the picnic benches!

### Around the Classes...

**Robin Class:** It has been hot, hot, hot this week in Robin Class. We welcomed our new starters on Wednesday and they stayed for the whole day. Our current Reception children did a fantastic job at showing them the ropes. They impressed all the adults in school and showed us they are definitely ready for school in September! Our current Year 1's had a wonderful afternoon with Mr Donaldson in their new classroom and made a new friend called Pippa (my daughter!) they made her feel very welcome. In Maths we have been looking at money and number bonds, in English we have been writing fact books and stories and in Science we have continued our investigative work with plants. To finish the week, we had a sneak peak of the performance 'Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat' performed by the older children. If you are going to watch it, you are in for a treat!

**Kingfisher Class:** Kingfisher Class have had a really exciting week – they particularly enjoyed spending the afternoon on Tuesday with Miss Pole developing their transition into Year 3. I know they are all ready for the move into Key Stage 2 and will continue to spend more time in Partridge Class over the coming weeks. We are all very excited for our performances of 'Joseph' next week. Please ensure any costumes or ticket requests are communicated with the school office. We hope you enjoy the show!

**Partridge Class:** It has been another busy week in Partridge Class. We have reached the end of our topic in both science and geography. We finished our geography unit by creating an advertisement to sell an adventure holiday in the Alps, using all the information we have learned about them. Science ended with putting all of the knowledge we have learned so far together to understand the life cycle. We have been rehearsing a lot this week in preparation for the show next week. We are all very excited to perform it- if this week's rehearsals are anything to go by, you are all in for a treat!

**Woodpecker Class:** With the arrival of the stage at school, we have spent much of the week rehearsing for the end of year show and the children are doing magnificently; we are confident by next week we should have a fantastic show for everyone to come and see! Many of the Year Six children have been on their transition visits to their secondary schools and it sounds like they have had a great time whilst back in school we spent Wednesday afternoon in our new classes for next year...it doesn't seem so long ago we were starting our new year in September and now we are looking ahead to next year. Finally, big congratulations to the Year Six children who have received their SATs results this week, they all did brilliantly and we couldn't be prouder of them.

### 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.