Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 5th May 2023

Dear Parents,

We are set to have a great day celebrating the Coronation of King Charles including biscuit decorating and throne making – a big thanks to Mrs Dozéy for organising the events and I hope you have a good weekend celebrating this momentous occasion with your family.

Although we have had a short week in school, the children have been as industrious as ever, impressing us with their efforts in every subject. Robin Class have enjoyed looking after our three visiting lambs over the past three weeks — it's nearly time for them to go back home enjoy pastures new! We look forward to receiving updates about how they are getting along.

As well as a busy week with Year 6 SATS it looks also set to be a busy week for Year 3 and some Year 2 pupils who will be representing H&A at a cricket competition on Tuesday – we're sure they will do us all proud!

Have a good weekend, Mr. Donaldson

Miss Pole

The summer term often marks new opportunities and horizons, and it is with a heavy heart I inform you that Miss Pole has gained a new teaching post for September much closer to her home. Miss Pole has made a huge impact on our school and pupils over the past two years and I know she will be missed when she leaves us in July. Her new school are very lucky and I'm sure you'll join me in congratulating her.

We will be conducting interviews over the coming weeks for two posts, and inform you of any appointments made – this well enable us to confirm which teacher will be teaching which class in September.

We have started to invest in 'Curriculum Spine' books – exciting and engaging texts from all curriculum areas for the children to enjoy in their classes! We are really enjoying these new books which help us to become lifelong readers in all of the subjects we learn about!

Did you know?...

End of Key Stage Assessments

We wish Year 6 lots of luck as they embark on their end of Key Stage assessments next week. The children have worked very hard, and we are incredibly proud of them as they complete the assessments which accumulate all they have learnt over Key Stage 2. Whilst Year 6 are completing their assessments, Year 5 pupils will be taught by Miss Pole.

Quiz Team

Well done to our wonderful Quiz Team who competed in the semifinals yesterday. They came a brilliant 54th place!

Let's Celebrate!

Due to our Coronation celebrations there will be no Celebration Assembly next week

Safeguarding Reminders

Mr. Sam Donaldson is the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mr. Gavin Cope is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mrs. Louise Wyatt is the Safeguarding Link Governor.

If you have worries or concerns about a pupil, please don't hesitate to speak to one of the people named above, in confidence.

<u>Diary Dates</u>			
When?	What?	Who?	How?
Monday 8 th May	Coronation Bank Holiday	All	See newsletter
W/C Tuesday 9 th May	Year 6 SAT's Assessments	Y6	Information sent
Tuesday 9 th May	Y2/3 Cricket Competition	Y2/3	Information to follow
Wednesday 17 th May	Y5/6 Visit to the River Swale	Y5/6	Information to follow
Wednesday 24 th May	PTFA Coffee Morning – 9am @ Hunton	All	See newsletter
Friday 26 th May	Break Up for Half Term	All	See newsletter
Monday 5 th June	Return to School	All	See newsletter
Thursday 8 th June	Y3/4 Visit to Peircebridge Roman Fort	Y3/4	Information to follow
Tuesday 20 th June	Y5/6 Rounders Competition	Y5/6	Information to follow
Wednesday 21 st June	Sports Afternoon	All	Information to follow
Mon 10 th & Tue 11 th July	Rehearsal Days at Tunstall Village Hall	Y2-Y6	Information to follow
Wednesday 12 th July	Y2-Y6 Performance at Tunstall Village Hall	Y2-Y6	Information to follow
	-2pm and 6pm		
Friday 21 st July	Leavers Assembly – 2.30pm	Y6	Information to follow
Friday 21 st July	Close for Summer Holiday	All	See newsletter
Tuesday 5 th September	Start of Autumn Term	All	See newsletter

Around the Classes...

Robin Class - Reception: This week we've been enjoying exploring small world beach themed set ups, mixing media's to create textured paints, and transient art using loose parts! Our book of the week this week has been 'Commotion in the Ocean'. We've also enjoyed planting some seeds, which we will care for and watch to see what happens over time! We finished the week off celebrating the upcoming King's Coronation with a whole school afternoon event, tea parties in provision, royal dough disco and lots of engaging stories, including 'The King's Pants!'

Robin Class - Year 1: A very royal theme to this week, we have ended on such a high, ready for the King's Coronation. We have loved working collaboratively in school making cards, decorating biscuits and even designing a royal throne! I must say how proud I am of each and every one of the children working on their prosody in our reading sessions, the expression and meaning is really standing out. English this week has seen us continue with The Jolly Postman recount; we have worked extremely hard sequencing the story. In maths, we have been measuring in centimetres and comparing mass, using the scales.

Kingfisher Class: Year 2 have had a fantastic week and thoroughly enjoyed writing their own version of the story, 'The Rainbow Balloon' – their balloons visited lots of exciting places around the world and it was a great opportunity to write in geography too. In Maths we have continued to focus on fractions, learning about equivalent fractions and ¾. We are really excited about our Coronation celebrations and marking this special occasion in school.

Partridge Class: This week has been a very exciting week at school in the lead up to the Kings Coronation. Our class reading text this week was all about this exciting event, as well as an assembly to find out more and lots of exciting activities on Friday afternoon to celebrate! We have had such a fantastic week celebrating this historic event! On top of this, we have been learning all about capacity in our maths work and we have produced some fantastic narrative in our English work. Our geography work on the Sunshine State has continued, looking in detail at where exactly the Magic Kingdom is! Have a lovely long bank holiday weekend everyone!

Woodpecker Class: A shorter week due to the bank holiday but we have still managed to pack plenty in! In English, we have been exploring the use of suspense in narratives which will help us with our own writing next week whilst in maths we have continued with our converting units of measure work and the year six children have tackled some algebra! In Geography, we have been learning more about the River Swale as well as developing our 4-figure grid reference skills. We ended the week with some exciting 'King's Coronation' activities as we prepare for the historic event this weekend which sees another long weekend. A final mention for our amazing year six children who are ready to complete their SATs next week; they have worked incredibly hard and should be proud of themselves. We wish them luck for next week!