



Dear Parents,

The staff have been busy creating ways of making our outdoor space more interactive at breaktimes, taking inspiration from our curriculum aims. Later in the term, we will be launching our 'Aims Sheds' – each aim will have a shed full of breaktime activities meaning that children can develop as risk-takers, change-makers, lifelong readers, creators on the playground whilst also being inquisitive and happy and healthy. We think it will be a really exciting way to take our play-times to the 'next level' and can't wait to share it with the children.

I have had the chance to pop into some reading and phonics sessions across the school this year and it has been wonderful to see the children so engrossed in reading. I am always amazed by the children when I visit phonics sessions in Reception and Year 1 – their use of digraphs, tricky words and alien words is fantastic. Kingfisher Class have been developing their prosody as they rehearse for Monday morning's class assembly whilst Partridge Class and Woodpecker Class continue to develop their vocabulary as they explore a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. There is always a 'reading buzz' around school after World Book Week but it is great to see the enthusiasm and love of reading continue beyond this and it really shows when you visit classes around school.

Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Cope

PE Safety

Please be aware that the policy on wearing earrings for PE has changed. It is **no longer advisable to cover earrings with plasters or micropore tape** as this is deemed more of a risk. Our Health & Safety Adviser has advised us to ask any children wearing tape to remove it. The teacher in charge of the lesson will decide on the level of risk associated with the particular activity – if they deem it safe to take part then the children will be able to. Please support us in this by not sending your child in with tape / plasters to cover their ears. Thank you in advance.

Kingfisher Class Assembly

We are really looking forward to welcoming Kingfisher Class parents into school on Monday morning to watch the Year 2 class assembly. Please be aware that it will take place on the playground, so you may need to dress appropriately!

S.R.E

A reminder that full information regarding our Sex & Relationships Education curriculum can be found within the 'PSHE and RSE' section of our website. If you have any questions about the SRE curriculum please don't hesitate to contact Mr. Cope or Mr. Donaldson.

Let's Celebrate!

This week there has been lots of caring, aspiring and excelling! See who has been rewarded below.

	Woodpecker Class (Y5/6)	Partridge Class (Y3/4)	Kingfisher Class (Y2)	Robin Class (R/Y1)
Care – Aspire - Excel	Lucy	Harry	Ruby- Mai	Cora
Curriculum Award	Ronnie	Rollo	Henry W	Jack
Aims Award	Isaac	Abi	Rose	William R
Team Points	Bolton			
Tidy Classroom	Robins-Reception			
Golden Spoon	Rafe			
King or Queen	Finn			

Team Captain News

Our new summer term Team Captains met with Mrs. Tunmore earlier this week to plan their change-making fundraising events for the term ahead. Last term the winning team, Bolton Castle, chose Oxfam as the national charity we will raise money for. Look out for further information coming soon.

Diary Dates

<u>When?</u>	<u>What?</u>	<u>Who?</u>	<u>How?</u>
W/C Monday 13 th May	KS2 SATS Week	Y6	See newsletter
Friday 17 th May	British Values Day	All	Information to follow
Monday 3 rd June	Y5/6 'Speak Out Stay Safe' Workshop	Y5/6	Information to follow
Thursday 6 th June	Y1 Richmond Castle Visit	Y1	Information to follow
Wednesday 12 th June	Sports Afternoon	All	Information to follow
Monday 1 st July	Careers Day	All	Information to follow
Wednesday 10 th July	End of Year Production – 2pm and 5pm	Y2-6	Information to follow
Friday 12 th July	End of Year Reports	All	See newsletter
Friday 19 th July	Leavers Assembly – 2.30pm	Y6	Information to follow
Friday 19 th July	End of Term	All	See newsletter

Around the Classes...

Robin Class (Reception): This week the children have enjoyed exploring our story in drawing club, 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We have also enjoyed the alternative stories 'Jasper's Beanstalk' in maths looking at height and 'Jack and the Jellybean Stalk'. We thought about what would be at the top of our own beanstalk! The children have been acting out the story lots and adding in their own ideas/versions. This week we have had our new visitors arriving to take care of - some eggs to go into our class incubator. We are very excited to look after them with love and care!

Robin Class (Year 1): This week we have been enjoying developing our cursive handwriting, each time trying to get 1% better. We have continued our book of the week 'Commotion in the Ocean', where we wrote our own poems about a sea creature. We have also enjoyed planting, which we will care for and watch to see what happens over time! I must say how proud I am of each of the children working on their prosody in our reading sessions, the expression and meaning is really standing out. In maths, we have been measuring in centimetres, developing our vocabulary of taller, shorter and longer, we even compared all of our heights. In PSHE, our focus has been thinking about kindness.

Kingfisher Class: We have been working incredibly hard on our class assembly this week and look forward to sharing some of our learning from throughout this year on Monday when we welcome parents to join us (9:00ish start). In the classroom, we have moved onto fractions in maths – initially learning about equal and unequal parts. In English, we have had great fun thinking of a range of revolting ingredients as we have been writing recipes based on 'George's Marvellous Medicine' – it is amazing what the children tell us they can find around the house! We were lucky enough to have an extra cricket session on Thursday afternoon as well, which the children thoroughly enjoyed once the hailstones passed! A great week for the Kingfishers so well done to all.

Partridge Class: This week the children have written fantastic non-chronological reports all about dragons. They have thought really carefully about using different sentence starters and have included technical and ambitious vocabulary. The children produced an excellent piece of writing. At the beginning of the week in maths, we finished our capacity and mass unit of work and now have started our new topic - money. In Geography, we explored different climates around the world and in particular looked at temperate, tropical and arid climates. In science, we found out what the main functions of the different parts of the plants are.

Woodpecker Class: We have had a very industrious week in Woodpecker Class. Last week we enjoyed writing descriptively about our hotels; this week we took it a step further by writing a negative review and response on Tripadvisor – the children really enjoyed the challenge and definitely had a flair for complaining! In our Maths lessons, we have focussed on area, perimeter and volume, whilst also continuing to keep our algebra skills in our simmering pot. We have enjoyed finding out more about mountains in Geography and began our Science learning by investigating fossils with Mrs Walker – great work!

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.