

Important Diary Dates

June

3rd June—Inset Day
4th June—School Re-Opens for children
13th June—EYFS Sports Day
14th June—Nursery Assembly
14th June—Sports Day
18th June—Photographs
27th June—RSE Day
28th June—Year 1 Class Assembly

July

5th July—Year 3 Class Assembly
6th July—Year 6 Trip
12th July—Pupil Reports to Parents
12th July—Year 2 Trip
17th—EYFS Garden Party
19th July—Year 6 Leavers' Assembly—School closes for the Summer holidays!

Weekly Attendance

School aim 96% or above

94%

A warm welcome back, I hope you all had a lovely half term back. My half term was spent building Ikea furniture, both at home and at school! We are in the process of moving bedrooms around at home because we are expecting our second child— it's a busy time!

On Monday the whole staff received training in our new phonics scheme— Read Write Inc. We are busy assessing the children earlier down the school before we launch the new scheme from the first day back in September. We are really excited about the scheme because it will introduce lots of rigour and structure to our already good practice. There will also be an investment in lots of new reading resources, so books sent home will be matched to the sound (phoneme) the children are learning. The children will also take home a 'pleasure book' which will not be related to the phonics scheme. Nurturing a love of reading is something I and the school are very passionate about and we will be developing strategies to enthuse all children in the love of reading as we go forward.

Thank you to all the parents that have completed the parent survey (link again on the back of this newsletter). It has been really interesting and useful to see the results so far. It is very clear that as parents you are very keen to improve the enrichment opportunities and extra-curricular offer to the children. This is something I am also eager to develop. As a school we have a duty to support pupil personal development, we have already started to discuss our plans in senior leadership meetings and we will write to you soon with some further developments.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Marks

PTA AGM


Wednesday 12th June

6.30pm

In the school hall

Everyone is welcome to attend the PTA AGM next week. The past year will be reviewed, committee members stand down and new members elected. Importantly events and activities for the new academic year will be discussed as well as how to spend the PTA fund. The PTA will not be able to run with new members, so if you're interested in taking on a role— please do come along— there will be refreshments!

Updates from the Office....

- Please inform the school office when your child is absent . 
When no contact or no reason for absence is given, this will be marked as unauthorised
- Just so you are aware. If your child accrues 5 unauthorised absences then statutory action (a Penalty Notice) may be taken. Please do not book family holidays during term time.
- Please remember to order your child's lunch on School Hub.

Letters sent this week.....

This week we have sent letters for...

- Nursery Drop offs and pick ups
- Nursery Photos for assembly
- Summer Dates
- Football Tournament Y5&6
- KS1 & KS2 Sports Day

Parent Survey

Thank you to all those parents that have filled out the survey. I will keep it open for another week, so if you haven't already filled it out please could you take 10 minutes during the week:

<https://forms.gle/JPkH3GFWCBVLYFyc6>

Football Cards

The children are welcome to bring in football cards to trade and play with. However, to keep it manageable please can we ensure that they bring in no more than 20 cards at a time. Please also remind your children, that if this results in arguments and problems we will have to review this decision.

Bazley Road

Please could I politely remind all parents to be careful and considerate of all pedestrians and residents when dropping off and picking up the children. Bazley road gets very busy with cars dropping off and maneuvering around the busy street which can be dangerous to others. If you have to drive, please can I ask that you park at a further distance and walk to the school with your child. It is better for the environment, and the safety of our children. Thank you!

In the classroom this week.....

Reception have been having a great time this week diving under the sea. We've been learning all about how to protect our oceans and all the beautiful creatures living in them. We also learnt a new song, 'Save Planet Earth'.

Year 1 have had a great week back after the half term. We started our week with our trip to AeroZone at Manchester Airport, we had a fantastic time! We looked at lots of different jobs at the airport and acted out these roles, we looked at historical artefacts, we met airport fire-fighters and had a walk to look at the planes.

Year 2 have conducted an investigation in science into the effects of washing your hands on germs. We touched different surfaces in the classroom and then touched a slice of bread. We also had a slice of bread that was touched with washed hands. Over the next couple of weeks we will observe the changes in our bread slices and see if any bacteria show up!



Year 3 have started their new art topic this week, called 'See like an artist'. We have been recognising how artists use shapes when sketching and have applied this when sketching both organic and man-made objects. In French we have been learning how to ask for different flavoured ice-cream and whether we want it in a cone or a tub. A very useful skill for a holiday in France!

Year 4 have been learning about telling the time, and converting between the 12hr and 24hr clock. This is a really important skill for the children to learn, and it would be great if they could have some chances to practise telling the time at home too! We have also been reading a wonderful traditional tale from Africa, and I would like to recognise what confident readers Year 4 are becoming. Thank you for sharing books with your children so regularly, it makes a big difference!

Year 5 have started their final half term by putting the finishing touches to their class assembly. They have been working hard to learn their lines, and bring their scripts to life. This week, they have also begun a new unit of work in Maths - negative numbers; and have been writing explanation texts about how coasts are formed in English.

Year 6, have written some fabulous pieces of dialogue using the book Rose Blanche and are looking forward to using it to complete more pieces of writing next week. In Science, we built circuits to light a bulb and then learned how to draw them using scientific symbols.

CLUBS

KEY STAGE / YEAR GROUP	DAY	ACTIVITY
Year 1 & 2	Wednesday	Multisport
Year 5 & 6	Thursday	Multisport
Year 3 & 4	Friday	Multisport