



SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2023 BLOCK 5

Welcome back to the summer term and what a busy term we have ahead of us!



STAFFING NEWS

Congratulations go to Miss Butler who was married over the Easter break. She has returned, after Easter, as Mrs Lomax.

We welcome Miss Haywood who has started with us as a permanent teacher and taken over Cherry class. Thanks go to Miss Keyworth who will be leaving us in a few days she has done a fantastic job looking after Y5.

Miss Johnson will also start as a permanent class teacher with us in Y5 on May 2nd. The wonderful Miss Cartwright will leave us on April 28th but has offered to support us during SATs week in early May.

Some of you will have met or spoken to Mrs Younis who is our new Receptionist/Office Administrator working alongside Mrs Baciu and Ms Saleem.

I am sure you will join us in offering congratulations and warm welcomes to the new team members.

ECO TEAM



Our ECO Team were successfully awarded £4,480 for a new Eco garden in school! Work has begun under the watchful eye of Mr Payne and we are looking forward to some planting!

ROAD SAFETY



Key Stage 2 children will be quizzed on road safety during the annual Road Safety Competition on April 28th. Please could you support their knowledge at home while you are out and about over the next few days. The quiz will cover tram safety, crossing roads, bike safety and car safety e.g. listening for traffic.



READING CAFÉ

Our Reading Day to celebrate World Book Day was a real success. Children swapped classes and read with different year groups and spent the whole day focussed on reading and of course wearing their pyjamas!

The highlight of the day was 'The Reading Café' where the only thing on the menu was books. A Huge thank you to those that attended and enjoyed reading with your children. **DON'T FORGET TO RECORD READING IN PARTNERSHIP BOOKS TO GAIN READING ROCKETEER TOKENS TO SPEND IN OUR BOOKSHOP!**



Thank you once again for your support for Red Nose Day and for sending your children dressed in their STEM related costumes. All the engineers, surgeons, calculators and scientists were truly inspirational to see on the final day of STEM week.

Your kind donations will be sent through to the charity to support the amazing work they do to improve children's life chances.



As you will know we were visited by OFSTED with an OFSTED Lead Inspector and a member of Her Majesty's Inspectorate Team just before the Easter break.

We are awaiting the report and the final outcome and will share these with you as soon as we receive them.

WORLD RELIGIONS

Children have recently visited or have visits planned to a Nottingham Mosque, Hindu Mandir, Sikh Gurdwara and Jewish Synagogue before the end of term.

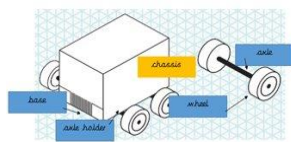
PARENT SURVEY

Thank you for sending back your completed parental survey. A summary of the main results are shown below. We have some exciting news to share soon about a new project we will be launching to really improve parental partnerships with school. There will be more details coming soon.

		Strongly Agree + Agree	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	Don't Know / Not Applicable to Me
1	My child is happy at this school	98.1%	1.9%	0.0%
2	My child feels safe at this school	98.7%	1.3%	0.0%
3	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	94.7%	4.6%	0.7%
4	My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively	35.3%	9.8%	54.9%
5	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year	89.1%	7.1%	3.8%
6	When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly	69.1%	13.8%	17.1%
7	If your child has special educational needs or a disability (SEND): the school gives my child the support they need to succeed	32.4%	4.9%	62.7%
8	The school has high expectations for my child	94.6%	4.7%	0.7%
9	My child does well at this school	98.7%	0.7%	0.7%
10	The school lets me know how my child is doing	91.2%	8.1%	0.7%
11	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school	96.7%	1.3%	2.0%
12	My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school	87.1%	6.8%	6.1%
13	The school supports my child's wider personal development	87.0%	6.8%	6.2%
14	I would recommend this school to another parent	86.0%	14.0%	0.0%
	Average Response	82.8%	6.1%	11.1%

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Thanks go to Oak Class and Sycamore Class for sharing their learning with their parents, carers and grown-ups. We hope you enjoyed hearing about all of the things they get up to and how much knowledge they had retained to share with you.



STEM CHALLENGE WEEK

The children had a whole week last block based around design technology projects. They were all involved in the design process and used their maths, technology and writing skills to enhance their design skills.

Reception made some incredible duckling transporters for their newly hatched ducklings to be taken to their new homes.

Y1 designed and made sliders and levers for creating a story book inspired by the traditional tale of Rapunzel and Rapunzel Once-Upon a World.

Y2 investigated vehicles with axles and wheels and then designed their own.

Y3 created some planters designed to support a variety of plants and Y4 designed and made some impressive greenhouse prototypes.

Y5 investigated pulley systems and designed prototype systems to collect water from a well.

Y6 designed and made cushion covers using textile and sewing skills. They based their designs around the recent natural disaster in Turkey and Syria creating cushions to support and comfort refugees.

St Mary's Church

Big thanks to Reverend Esther Hutchinson and Penny Carrier for visiting our children and telling them all about the Christian festivals of Lent, Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday and Easter.

Their assemblies are exciting and informative and really help to embed the knowledge of Christian traditions and beliefs.

Dates for the Diary

Please check key dates in the Partnership Book and on the website.

Event	Date
Willow Class Assembly	April 27 th 2.45pm (gates open 2.30pm).
KS2 Road Safety Quiz	April 28 th
May Bank Holiday	May 1 st
KS1 SATS Commence	May 2 nd
Juniper Class Assembly	May 4 th 2.45pm (gates open 2.30pm)
Coronation Bank Holiday	May 8 th
KS2 SATS Week	May 9 th – 12 th
Safeguarding Awareness Week	WB May 22 nd
Class Group Photos	May 24 th am
Thank You Club – Block 5	May 26 th
Half-Term Break	May 26 th

Yours sincerely

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