



Summer Term Newsletter No.5

We are exceptionally proud of our Y6 children who have coped with a week of challenging SATs, showing resilience and a determination to succeed. They will now focus on writing and spend the next few weeks honing their skills. Y2 have also been working through their SATS over the last few weeks and have been keen to show off what they know.



Thank you to the children and their families who supported the Great Plastic Pick Up last Saturday. We had so many positive comments from the local community who were delighted that we were out and about clearing the litter.



Please remember that we are collecting in clean plastic for a sculpture project so we are happy to accept any donations of CDs, DVDs, bottle lids, straws, bottles, bubble wrap and carrier bags.

Thank you to a parent for putting us in touch with the Wildlife Trust's 30 Days Wild! We have signed up as a school but you can sign up individually to get lots of free resources for your child. If you do sign up and you don't need the pack of wildflower seeds please send them in to us as we will sprinkle them around the Orchard. Here is the link to the website:

<http://action.wildlifetrusts.org/page/20877/petition/1>

Our school garden is coming back to life and we will be harvesting the rhubarb next week to add to our desserts. If you have any spare fruit or veg seedlings we will happily accept them! Thank you.



We are very proud of this week's Star Pupils!



- Ash— Emilia and Eryn both became authors this week creating their own books They are each a super 'Shareonyx', talking to their friends about their ideas!
- Elm— Autumn always shows real kindness towards her friends. She is always the first to offer to help. Theo has been a real 'Tryatops' with his eating this week, trying new foods! Well done, Theo.
- Beech — The whole class are stars—they had an amazing attitude to our wedding celebrations this week!
- Pine — Holly H had superb listening and followed instructions well on our very exciting wedding day!
- Apple — Isabelle approaches every task enthusiastically and systematically. Well done!
- Oak — Harriet is always respectful and considerate of others. It's great to see her making new friendships.
- Birch — Ben always shows great pride in his work and has a fantastic growth mindset.
- Rowan — Alissia has developed great coping strategies to climb out of the learning pit, particularly in maths!
- Cherry — Alfie always contributes well in class discussions and is helpful, particularly to adults.
- Maple — Nathan puts 100% effort into everything he does. He listens and responds to feedback well.
- Holly — Owen is a star for his excellent effort with all his learning. A great example to others!
- Willow — Leon has shown a consistent improvement in effort towards his learning
Harrison has produced a great piece of writing, that he worked really hard on!
- Y6—Please see our special 'star' tribute to the Y6 children, on page 2 of this newsletter.
(Performed by Miss Wooldridge and Mr Marchant in assembly today—wish we'd had a camera!)

Y6 Stars

Mr M: This week is an unusual Well Done,

Miss W: Shall I start?

Mr M: I've already begun!

Miss W: I was talking to Mr Marchant yesterday

Mr M: And as usual, I had a lot to say!

Miss W: Well, he was waffling on about words and nonsense and such...

Mr M: And Miss Wooldridge was prattling on about yoga and unicorns a little too much.

Miss W: Anyway, we had a problem - a nice one, I admit!

Mr M: We couldn't make a decision on our star of the week, not one little bit!

Miss W: You see, this week, every Year 6 has truly tried their best,

Mr M: As each day they have taken a challenging SATs test!

Miss W: They've faced each day with focus, positivity and care,

Mr M: Approaching the exams with determination and flair!

Miss W: You've supported your fellow pupils and friends,

Mr M: And have shown that your aspiration never ends

Miss W: And we'd like to say, if we're allowed,

Mr M: That you have made every single teacher here incredibly proud.

Miss W: About each of your fantastic efforts, we could go on and on-

Mr M: So out of 60 amazing children, how can we pick just one?

Miss W: That's where we had a great idea,

Mr M: So when these children stand up give them a cheer,

Miss W: So year six, stand proud

Mr M: And stand tall,

Together: For this week's star is for you all!

Diary Date Reminders:

Monday 21st May—Willow Class swimming
Week beginning Monday 21st May - Bikeability
Thursday 24th May—Y1 assembly for parents 2:30pm in the Woodland Studio
Half term— Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June
Wednesday 6th June—Y1 Farm Trip

Upcoming PTA events:

Thursday 24th May - PTA film night for Y3, 4, 5 and 6. Deadline for return of slips is Wednesday 23rd May. Children returning slips on Thursday 24th May will not be able to attend.
Friday 25th May—Non Uniform Day. Please bring a bottle for the PTA summer fair tombola stall.



Attendance Award
Congratulations to Birch Class for winning the School Attendance Award with 99.1% attendance.

They have won a non-uniform day on Monday 21st May.

The whole school achieved 95.4% Attendance which is below our target of 96%.

Weddings!



Our Royal Feast in honour of the Royal Wedding was a huge success. The hall was decorated in red, white and blue and there were serviettes folded into flowers or crowns. The food was delicious and the wedding cakes were very popular. Lucky plate winners were delighted with their gift!



Year 1 classes have also been celebrating weddings this week. Both classes wrote invitations, prepared food and decorations and had a wedding ceremony. The children were dressed for the occasion and it was an utterly delightful day for all! More photos to come on Twitter.

Reception children have also been getting into the Royal Wedding mood, making wedding hats! Now we just need the royal invitation to arrive!



Outdoor Learning Day

Thursday was Outdoor Learning Day which is a global event to encourage children to go outdoors more. We always try and find ways to get our children outdoors as we have fantastic grounds and we know it is good for everyone's health to get out and about. This week has seen us outdoors more than usual and it's great to hear the children's voices all around the school.



Childcare Survey - Torbay Council have asked us to share a link to a parent consultation on childcare as part of their Annual Sufficiency Assessment 2018.

https://www.torbay.gov.uk/surveys/Childcare2018/childcare_consultation_2018.htm

It is applicable for all parents who use any form of childcare including under 5's childcare, before school (any age), after school (any age) and holiday care (any age). The data generated from the consultation responses will form an invaluable data set to inform the Childcare Sufficiency Report 2018.

Learning today to achieve our tomorrows.