School Newsletter: Friday 5th Jul 2024

In our classes this week…..

Nursery

This week in Nursery the children have enjoyed our phonics theme which is all about Aliens! The children have painted their own Alien portraits and explored with mixing colours.
They have also been working on their number recognition and formation. The children have enjoyed tracing numbers developing their fine motor skills and were proud when they formed the numbers correctly!

Key Stage 1

This week, we have enjoyed learning about the importance of hygiene in science and the children confidently identified areas of the body they need to wash daily and those they could wash less frequently.
The Reception children demonstrated fantastic observational skills when learning about harbours and were able to identify key features. They located these features from photographs of harbours in the UK, Gambia and other countries.
The KS1 children have learnt about friendships during R.E. Lessons this half term and they displayed an interest in the friends of Jesus and why they were called the 12 disciples.

Key Stage 2 – Lower

We had a brilliant transition morning on Tuesday, getting prepared for our new year groups and classes in September. This was followed by an afternoon with Hannah from OASES to learn about Climate Friendly careers.
We have been continuing to read Varjak Paw in literacy and the children are really engaged in the story, excited to see what happens next.
Can I please encourage children to continue bringing in reading records, even in the last two weeks of term, with completed reading comments from home.

Key stage 2 – Upper

This week we have enjoyed a transition session in our new classes with most of the year 6s also spending time in their new secondary school.
In geography we have been learning about the physical and human causes of river flooding.
In science we have been exploring how the thickness of wires can affect the brightness of a bulb.

Breakfast Club

Please note the cost of breakfast club will increase from 1st September 2024 to £1 per child per session.

Week commencing 8th July

Monday – KS2 – Health & Fitness After School Club*
Wednesday – KS1 - Multi Sports After School Club*
Thursday – Y5 + Y6 – Swimming**
Thursday – Whole School – Sports Day (PM)

*Please wear PE kit
**Please bring swimming kit

General

This week in our assembly we have thought about what it takes to be an Olympian or Paralympian. In particular we looked at Article 2: no discrimination and the protected characteristic of race as we can learn from our differences and celebrate people from different cultures and continents. The British Value of mutual respect and tolerance also formed part of our assembly.

In our listening section we watched and listened to the contemporary piece **Libertango** by Astor Piazzolla performed by Yo Yo Ma which the children enjoyed.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 11th July 2024 – Sports Day (Whole School) 1:30-2:30pm
Thursday 18th July 2024 – Leavers Assembly/Nursery Graduation & Music Concert at 1:30pm + Y6 Sleepover
Friday 19th July 2024 – Break up for Summer holidays
Monday 22nd July 2024 – INSET day (School Closed)
Tuesday 23rd July 2024 – INSET day (School Closed)
Wednesday 4th September 2024 – INSET day (School Closed)
Thursday 5th September 2024 – Return to school
Friday 25th October 2024 – Break up for half term
Monday 4th November 2024 – Return to school
Friday 20th December 2024 – Break up for Christmas
Monday 6th January 2025 – INSET day (School Closed)
Tuesday 7th January 2025 – Return to school
Friday 21st February 2025 – Break up for half term
Monday 3rd March 2025 – Return to school
Friday 11th April 2025 – Break up for Easter holidays