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Thursday 6th April, 2017 - 3

In the last few weeks we have seen some superb examples of the children learning, with exciting activities planned. We have had: visiting authors and illustrators (CBeebies presenter – Jess French and illustrators - Isobel Lundie and Carolyn Scarce; weekly forest school activities; dressing up, cooking and sewing like Tudors; children taking the coach to Stratford to visit Tudor world; community liaison with our partner school - Yew tree school from Aston; and we even went inside Villa Park and Aston House. The children have all worked extremely hard this term and should feel proud of their hard work and efforts to improve. Thank you for your support with all of these events, as well as the everyday reading, spellings, tables and maths. It really makes a difference.



Book Week

Last week was our school book week. Lots of children were spotted reading books and poems in school. Their book character costumes and pyjamas worn on Friday certainly added to the occasion! It was lovely to see so many children excited about reading and developing their vocabulary through books.

Attendance

Please remember to call the school office before 9.30am, if your child is absent. If no phone call is made and we cannot contact you, your child will receive an unauthorised absence on the register. Our current average attendance figure is 92.71%, whereas the national average is 95.4%.

Reminders:

The Easter bonnet parade will be on Friday 7th April at 2.45pm. You are welcome to come along and watch.



Reading Focus

Our latest results from the 'Reader leader' champion board are as follows:



Week ending	10.3.17 %	17.3.17 %	24.3.17 %
Y6	71	79	84
Y5	75	64	72
Y4	88	80	88
Y3	75	81	71
Y2	76	76	88
Y1	74	74	45
R	57	56	65

Well done to everyone. Key Stage 2 are still storming ahead; with Key stage 1 closely on their tail! ☺



Class assembly dates for the year:

5th May – Year 1
 26th May – Year 4
 9th June – Year 2
 16th June – Year 3
 23rd June – Year 5
 7th July – Reception

News:

School ties are now available to purchase from school office for £7.00.

Found:

A pair of glasses with a leopard-print design were found in school. They are in the office ready to collect.

REQUESTS:

Please can you start collecting and sending in bottle tops to support our guide dog collection.

REMINDERS:

Dogs: A reminder that dogs are not allowed on the school premises.

School lunches: A reminder that if you wish to order a school lunch or break time snack, sufficient funds must be in your Parentpay account, or the money must be sent into the Office on the day. Unfortunately, we are unable to order or provide meals unless the money is with us beforehand. Without the funds we are unable to provide a meal or break snacks.

WELL DONE:

To the school choir who sang beautifully in church at the recent Mothers' Day service. Thank you to Miss O'Boyle, Mr. Lucas and Rachael Lucas for their weekly support and encouragement with our school choir.

We are always pleased to hear the lovely comments made when our children are out and about; we are proud to share some of these comments with you. Recently our Y4 and 5 children received comments stating that they were "Superb", that their behaviour and manners were very good and that they were delightful and a credit to us! Well done Year 4 and 5!

WE ARE PROUD OF:

George Hooper-Rann who has been awarded a scholarship at Elmhurst school of dance - working with the Birmingham School of Ballet. This involved many hours of stretching, exercising, exams (both dance and academic) and interviews. More information will be uploaded onto our school website with photos of George. This is a great achievement and we are extremely proud of him.

THANK YOU:

For your comments and feedback for the recent Parent Survey. A copy of the results have now been sent to you.

For attending the Year 2 SATs evening.

CHARITY FUND RAISING:

Each year our Head Boy and Girl organise and run a charity event. This year, Aliza and Jacob will be raising money for the 'Diabetes UK' charity. Today, Thursday 6th April, the children came to school in their own clothes and donated a minimum of £1 to the charity. Thank you for your support for this.

Well done to Year 5 for raising £232 for the 'Children's Variety Charity'. With inspiration and support from the Bishop family they made this possible! Brilliant!

GOOD-BYE:

This week, we said goodbye to Mrs. Kay. She has worked at the school for almost 11 years and in nearly every class. Her work in PE (including many sporting events) has been fantastic. She will be greatly missed by the team at Henley. We would like to thank her for her dedication and work with us. She will be missed.

After Easter Miss Rowden will be working with Mrs Holden in Year 3 and Mrs. Allen will be the SENDCO for the school.

And finally, have a lovely Easter break and see you on Monday 24th April, ready for our final term.



KEY DATES:

Day	Time	Event
Thursday 6 th April	am	Easter bonnet entries taken to the hall at 8.50am
	All day	Charity fund raising event for Diabetes UK (non-uniform day).
Friday 7th April	9.30am	Easter service led by Year 6 in St John's church. Parents are welcome to attend but space is limited.
	2.45pm	Easter bonnet parade in the school hall at 2.45pm. Parents are welcome to attend.
	3.15pm	Break up for Easter
Monday 24th April	8.50am	Term 3 begins
Tuesday 25 th April	am	School photographer in to take class photographs
	pm	Hockey tournament (Years 4-6)
Monday 1st May	Bank holiday	School closed
Friday 5 th May	9.00	Year 1 class assembly
Monday 8 th - Thursday 11 th May	Mornings	Year 6 SATs
Throughout May	Ongoing	Year 2 SATs
Tuesday 9 th May	6.30pm	Parent forum. Focus - anti bullying and behaviour
Wednesday 10 th May	pm	Athletics event (Years 3-6). Details will be sent out after Easter.
Friday 19 th May	overnight	Space camp – Year 4
Tuesday 23 rd May	7.30pm	New Reception parents evening (for September 2017)
Friday 26th May	9.00am	Year 4 class assembly
	Lunchtime	Golden table
	3.15pm	Break up for Whitsun holiday
Monday June 5th	8.50am	School opens
Friday June 9 th	9.00am	Year 2 class assembly
Monday June 12 th	All week	Natural history week
Friday 16 th June	9.00am	Year 3 class assembly
Friday 23 rd June	9.00am	Year 5 class assembly
Thursday 6 th July		Sports Day
Friday 7 th July	9.00am	Reception class assembly
Wednesday 12 th July	6.30pm	Year 6 Awards Evening
Friday 21 st July	9.00am	Year 6 Leaver's assembly
	3.15pm	Break up for the Summer Holidays
Monday 4th September, 2017	8.50am	Return to school