



NEWSLETTER

8: June 2023

It has been an unbelievably busy first week back and we have lots to share, so settle down with a cup (or glass) of something refreshing and here we go!

SUMMER ARTS FESTIVAL

You should now have received a Summer Arts Festival programme detailing the musicians and groups who are participating. This is a casual – and hopefully enjoyable – occasion where families can sit on the grass and enjoy the musicians, singers, actors and dancers who will seek to entertain you. Please feel free to bring refreshments (no glass please!) I am hoping that this is an event which will build year on year so that our children can really let their light shine! We are starting at 1.30pm as we are not quite sure how long it will take; it could be just 30 minutes or so, or a lot longer. At the end of the performances, parents can choose to leave children to return to class until 3.15pm or can pop around to the office to sign them out early.



Our reception class thoroughly enjoyed their Bug Ball recently! The children looked fabulous dressed as a wide range of bugs and enjoyed an adventurous day of activities!



Congratulations

to Isabella for all her hard work to raise funds for the 'Make a Wish Foundation.' She worked really hard and raised an impressive £210.35. We are really proud of her and she really Let her Light Shine!



Thank you for all your contributions to our sweets mufti day for the school fair! We can now turn them into a 'sweetie tombola.'

If you have any time at all to help out before or during the fair, please do contact our hardworking PTA, or contact the school office and we will forward a message for you.



A ROMAN ADVENTURE

Reported by Inayah Year 3

Celt House

In the Celt house there was a fire they could cook on. It could scare away rierce animals and next to it was an oven for cooking lovely smelling bread. They also used skulls out of goats because they wanted to scare people and animals away.



Wattle Walls

Our next activity was so exquisite we used incredibly bendy wood like willow. We weaved the sticks back, front, back, front, and all over again! It was used to build. The daube was cow poo (disgusting). If you built it too wide the animals could get out. These were Roman fences.



Jewellery

Romans loved their copper, iron, gold, diamonds and silver so on Wednesday we made jewellery (a ring or bracelet). We used pliers to curl the rings in a spiral.



Archaeologists

When we went to Butser Farm we got a trowel and we found bones, teeth, jewellery, pottery, weapons, flints, shells, chalk, claws, axes, skulls, rocks and gems. It was extremely fun and amazing



The Roman Villa

When we walked in we saw fantastic paintings on every wall that I saw. When we went outside there were flushing toilets! But slaves had to flush it (I would not like that job). It was so cold in there but the bed looked like a sofa and a bed also. It had an upstairs! We normally have a kitchen downstairs and a bedroom at the top but it was the other way around.

Staff News

I am very sorry to have to tell you that Mrs Buck, who has been off on long term sick leave, has now made the decision not to return to her post here. I only had the pleasure of working with Mrs Buck for a very short time before she went off and she is a very lovely lady. But sadly, she has now made the decision not to return to education at all, but to seek employment in a less stressful environment. I wish her all the very best in her future endeavours and thank her for her contribution to the school.

STUDENT SUCCESS!

Our sincere **congratulations** to Rupert who recently passed his grade 1 piano exam with a **distinction**! He persevered even when it was hard and overcame his shyness, thus demonstrating



resilience, courage *and* creativity! Well done Rupert! Here he is playing with a chicken on his lap 😊

SCIENCE WEEK 2023

Our children had a wonderful time during Science Week exploring all kinds of Science, from chromatography to exploding rockets. Year groups mixed together to add to the excitement! Here they are enjoying the fun...



ROOM TO PLAY!

Our Reception children are loving their new bigger play area! Here they are stirring up a bolognaise in their mud kitchen, riding their bikes and creating their very own Jurassic Park terrain!



Or knows



Our sincere thanks to Trevor Howes, Jamie's daddy for very kindly giving up his weekend to cut back the bushes for us! If anybody has access to a little digger or knows some other way to help us remove the roots, please do get in touch! Thank you!



Wellington Park Trip



I recently had the enormous pleasure of accompanying Cook class on their school trip to Wellington Park. The children had a wonderful time learning all about the animals and

feeding them. They enjoyed a ride on the train before playing in all the parks and bouncing on the giant cushion!



BARGAIN OF THE WEEK!



We are now selling **team coloured plastic named water bottles** for just **£2.50** each! The easy to use spouts reduce spillage and they are long-lasting, clean up well in the dishwasher and are much safer than the metal

bottles, which can really hurt if they fall on your foot! We can add your child's name when you buy, meaning easy identification and return if it gets left somewhere. We will also be buying some hygienic storage crates for the classrooms. You can buy your bottle from the school office.



Please remember to put suncream on your child and to give them a named hat to wear in this hot weather. Thank you!



A reminder that for the wellbeing of all, your child should remain at home for 48 hours after their last bout of any sickness or diarrhoea. Thank you.

Anyone for cricket?

Yateley cricket club are coming in again for a taster session for Year 1 and 2 girls on Friday 16th June.



We are planning to recycle cartridges to raise funds for the school. Please save any empties for us here and tell all your friends and workplaces too! Thank you.



New and changed dates are given in bold

- Mon 12th June: Father's Day Shopping PTA Event
- Tues 13th June: Y3 (Drake) Class Assembly
- Tues 13th June: Summer Arts Festival – afternoon event
- Wed 14th June: Y6 Leavers' Service at Winchester**
- Fri 16th June: Mufti Day – bottles for Summer Fair
- Fri 16th June: Yrs 1 & 2 Girls Cricket Taster session**
- Fri 16th June: Y2 Nightwalk and Y3 Sleepover
- Sat 17th June: Sustainability Fair on Village Green**
- Mon 19th June: Y1 Phonics Checks begin**
- Tues 20th June: New Reception Induction Session 1
- Fri 23rd June: 3.30pm – 6.30pm Summer Fair**
- Tues 27th June: New Reception Induction Session 2
- Thurs 29th June: Reception Class Assembly 8.50am**
- Fri 30th June: Hart District Athletics Event
- Mon 3rd July: New Reception Induction 3
- Tues 4th July: Sports Day – picnic and pm for parents
- Wed 5th July: Y6 Transition Day – Yateley
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- Thurs 6th July: Whole School 'Move Up' Day
- Fri 7th July: PTA DISCO
- Mon 10th July: Y6 to Horseshoe Lakes**
- Tues 11th July: 'Around the World' Day – postponed**
- Tues 11th July: Ned's Mindset Mission Workshop**
- Thurs 13th July: Reserve Sports Day
- 17th/18th July: Year 4 and Year 5 Residential
- Fri 21st July: Y6 Leavers' Assembly at church 9am**
- Fri 21st July: Term ends at 1.15pm



To support our growth mindset ethos, we have organised a free workshop for the children on Tuesday 11th July - NED's Mindset Mission.



In this 45 minute show, pupils will learn the Power of YET, how to spark courage in others and how to keep learning and growing, even when we think we already know something. NED stands for **Never give up, Encourage others, and Do your best!!**

The show uses storytelling, puppetry, illusions and yoyo tricks to take the children on an entertaining journey with their character NED. He follows clues, meets memorable characters and learns valuable lessons.

