

Headteacher's news:

It was a melancholic start to the week after the roller coaster of emotions that overwhelmed the nation last Sunday evening. I was particularly deflated by the result but soon got over it as the school filled with children and normal systems resumed. This was further helped by the reopening of Year 4 Beech and Y5/6 Ash bubbles.

This week has also been particularly positive as we were able to host 3 performances of the Year 6 Leavers' Show. It was lovely to be able to invite parents in for this event and the children put on three brilliant shows.

KS1 had a good day yesterday as they enjoyed their Shorts and Shades Day - a school trip (here at school) related to their topic 'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside'. I was very sad to cut this fun day short for Y1 Pear Tree class who had to be sent home due to a positive Covid-19 case. This was the last thing that I wanted to do and Y1 Pear will be learning remotely between now and the end of the academic year.

The rest of my week has been largely consumed by reading through end of year reports. I have enjoyed reading all the wonderful comments the teachers have made about the children (including the progress made) despite the challenges we have faced this academic year. Reports will go out early next week to allow time for parents / carers to read them and contact school if they would like to further discuss any of the content.

Have a good weekend. Enjoy the weather but please do be careful in the sun.

School uniform: In September, we are going to tighten up on school uniform. For most of you, this will require little or no adjustments but I wanted to give you all advanced notice of this. The main areas of improvement relate to wearing:

- the correct footwear - black shoes
- the correct uniform for PE days - plain joggers/shorts with no branded logos and sports trainers (not fashion ones)

We will continue to allow the children to wear PE kit on their specified PE days as this has worked well (and the children look smart when they wear the correct items).

We will also continue without the need for indoor pumps as we save a significant amount of learning time by not having to change into them.

[School uniform link](#)



Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week:

[Nursery](#) [Reception](#) [Y1 Pear](#) [Y1/2 Lime](#) [Y2 Cherry](#)

[Y3 Willow](#) [Y3/4 Cedar](#) [Y4 Beech](#)

[Y5 Oak](#) [Y5/6 Ash](#) [Y6 Maple](#)

In assembly this week...we talked about winning and losing and the importance of being humble and showing humility in victory as well as being gracious in defeat. I was hoping to be able to focus more on the former of these qualities.

The [Summer Reading Challenge](#) encourages children aged 4-11 to enjoy the benefits of reading for pleasure and prevent the summer reading 'dip'. The challenge is for children to borrow and read six books over the summer at their local library. This year the theme is all about nature and will inspire children to think about how they can look after their planet whilst helping to maintain their reading level over the summer holidays. Once they have read their sixth book, they will have completed the challenge and will be awarded a certificate and gold medal, which they can proudly bring back to school in September. Children and their parents can go to their local library or online to sign up. For more info <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WPf0dGrYCv4> <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



The Big Sing: Click on the image below to watch and listen to videos of your child's class performing their songs in school.



Dates for the diary

Mon 19 July: Infant Disco

Wed 21 July: KS2 Disco

Fri 23 July: School closes for the summer

Mon 6 September: Teacher Training Day

Tues 7 September: First day of school