May 2022 Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

We finished the Spring Term with a fantastic performance from our Year 4 children. They took their very appreciative parents on a musical journey back in to history. The singing was fantastic and the children clearly enjoyed the experience of a real audience! Well done to all the children and staff involved.

Welcome back to the summer term, already the children are engaged in their learning and thrilled to be back at school. We have a very busy term ahead and are looking forward to reinstating many events that we have been unable to set up during the pandemic. We have many sporting events happening across the term from football superstars to tri golf tournaments and for the first time in two years, can look forward to welcoming parents back into school to watch children's sports days. Please see overleaf for the dates.

Also, as you will be aware, the nation is celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year. To mark the Queen's 70 years on the throne we have allocated each year group a decade (Y6=1960's, Y5=1970's, Y4=1980's, Y3=1990's, Y2=2000's, Y1= 2010's, YR =2020's) to focus on and we will have a pic-nic on the last Friday of this half term—more details to follow!

I thought it would be helpful to update you on the latest guidance regarding Covid-19 and children. Children with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend school. If your child is unwell and has a high temperature they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can return to school when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for Covid-19 unless directed to by a health professional. If your child has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults. Students who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.

If your child is not well enough to attend School, we anticipate that they are not well enough to complete work at home. On return, we will support children to catch-up with work they have missed.

Please refer to the following link for guidance regarding Covid-19 and adults as this differs from young people or if you would like further information. <u>People with symptoms of a respiratory infection including COVID-19 - GOV.UK</u> (www.gov.uk)

Please remember to look on our website from next week for the Summer Term Knowledge Organisers and we look forward to seeing you soon at one of our events.

Mr Lee





*Year 5/6 production dates TBC





Three new trees surrounded by shrubs were planted at the beginning of April. Thanks to Scott and Dan from Coles Nurseries as well as Archie and Toby for coming along and helping with this on what was quite a chilly morning! Thanks also to Mr Trzcinski who supported and Mrs Plumb who kept them well watered over a very dry Easter break!







Acer and Cherry Trees

