



### Our Guiding Light

Jesus said ....

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you You also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my Disciples, if you have love for one another.

(John 13-34-35)

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## KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

Welcome back to the start of a new term. With only five weeks now to go before the summer holiday there is lots to pack in. Before long our Year 6 children will be setting off for their residential trip to Devon during which everyone can look forward to a fortnight of sport. Our Sports Day is set for 8<sup>th</sup> July and we are gearing up for a week of transition when we will also be welcoming the children joining us in September for a couple of taster days. Plans are well in motion for the HT Fest and we hope to be able to invite any of you who are parents of our Year 6 leavers for a service at the very end of term. Before we break for the holiday you will receive an annual report which will contain internal as well as national data. This will give you a picture of how much your child has achieved since September. We continue to be proud of all the children and their positive attitude which has shone through as we've resumed our studies this week.

### News from Around the School:

Moorhens have come back to school still buzzing from the Platinum Jubilee and Holy Trinity's 'Dance Through the Decades' event, so much so that the children have been writing to the Queen to inform her of everything which took place. They've put on their most formal thinking caps to craft letters. In other news we have celebrated the class winning the national Climate Wise, 'Climate Hero' writing competition. You may remember from a while back that the children had entered this competition having used Mrs. Brown, our very own green champion, as a subject. The judges clearly liked what they read!

Cygnets have had a busy week learning about minibeasts. They have enjoyed singing minibeast songs, learning lots of facts, using paint and pastels to create hidden minibeasts for our wildlife display and completing life cycle diagrams. For more news from Cygnet Class, do refer to the newsletter which Mrs. Nicol posts on Google Classroom every week.

Cormorants have been revising angles and degrees in maths. They had great fun putting their learning into action when they directed each other round the playground using the mathematical language they had learnt. In RE, they found out about celebrities who have been inspired by their faith. This led to them considering the qualities that make someone inspirational, something particularly relevant after all the tributes paid recently to the Queen.

Swans have been performing pirouettes while learning about rotations in maths and discovered how to program different ways to initiate rotations and resizing for a variety of sprites. They have also identified the materials used by land artist Andy Goldsworthy in preparation for some exciting sculpture.

Launching straight back into action, Teals have been harnessing their narrative writing skills and planning a story of their choice. The classroom has been buzzing with creative ideas: imaginary lands, magical beings and jaw dropping cliff hangers...!

Tempus fugit! Time flies in Goslings as the children have been catapulted back, through our maths topic of time, to the Roman Empire. They have continued this exploration through dance with the borough's dance specialist, Mrs. Douglas. Flavius Scopus, the most famous Roman charioteer, has inspired them to learn about chariots with the aim of designing and making their own. *Producatur illum* (bring it on)!

Kingfishers have been writing for different purposes. Alongside non-fiction reports and letters, they have written setting descriptions using their own watercolour paintings as inspiration. Their paintings were created after listening to a description of a setting from the text they will be studying this term, the title of which has yet to be revealed! After studying the folk tale, 'The Rabbit Who Stole the Fire' during guided reading, the class used the beautiful illustrations from the book to also create pictures of fire using oil pastels on black paper.



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### National Testing Programme:

This week the Year 1 Phonics Screening took place. If you have a child in Year 1, you will receive their results as part of the end of year summative report. In the next couple of weeks, the Year 4 Multiplication Check will be administered. Please refer to the letter which was sent out in April and has been sent out again today for your convenience.

### Year 6 Residential Trip to CRS Adventures, Devon:

With the departure date for our residential trip to Devon getting closer, there are still a few things to consider. If you have a child in Year 6, please refer to the email sent out on Wednesday. Medication can be sent in from now along with the paperwork to accompany it. If you would like time to discuss your child's specific medical needs, please make an appointment with the office to see me. Any medication you wish me to take for your child needs to be given to me or the office by Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

### Lunch Orders:

With a new term now started, please be mindful of the need to place orders for lunch. This should be done through your Scopay account.

### Year 6 Transition:

Already a number of secondary school teachers have been into school to gather information from us and meet the children in Year 6 who will be moving on in September. Do look out for details from your child's next school about transition days; these sometimes come directly to you rather than us.

**Extra-Curricular Activities:**

Extra-curricular activities including Early Bird Club continue after the holiday as follows:

Club	Year Group	Day	Start:	Arrangements for drop-off/pick-up
Early Bird Club	All	Monday – Friday inclusive	Start time 8am each day of the week	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 4	Monday	Before school at 8.20am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Kwik Cricket	Year 5 & 6	Monday	Finish time 4:30pm	Collect from the back gate
Playball	EYFS & Year 1	Monday	Finish time: 4:15pm	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Junior Choir	Years 3 & 4	Tuesday	Before school at 8am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Netball	Years 5 & 6	Tuesday	Before school at 8am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 2	Tuesday	Before school at 8.20am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Little Samurai	EYFS, Y1 & Y2	Tuesday	Finish time: 4:00pm	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Spanish Club	Year 1	Wednesday	Before school at 8.20am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 5	Wednesday	Finish time: 3:50pm	Collect from the front entrance of school
Playball	EYFS & Year 1	Wednesday	Finish time: 4:15pm	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Senior Choir	Years 5 & 6	Thursday	Before school at 8am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Young Samurai	Years 3 - 6	Thursday	Finish time: 4:15pm	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Spanish Club	Year 3	Friday	Before school at 8.20am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Sewing Club	Year 2 – 6	Friday	Finish time: 4:35pm	Collect from the front entrance of school
Knitting Club	Year 6	Friday	Finish time: 4:15pm	Collect from the front entrance of school
IPro Football	Years 1 - 6	Friday	Finish time: 4:30pm	Collect from the back gate

**Windsor Flower Show:**

The Windsor Flower Show takes place tomorrow, 11th June 2022, 10am - 6pm in Windsor Great Park. Year 2 will be entering one of the competitions with the potatoes they have grown and their wheelbarrow full of some carefully considered plants. If you would like to go along and see how we get on, tickets can be booked on line by clicking the link <https://rwrhs.com/shop/>. The competition will be judged by Sophie, Countess of Wessex and Alan Titchmarsh so we are very excited!

**Calendar Dates for the new Academic Year:**

Please find attached a document outlining the term dates for 2022-2023. Please note the first day of the new academic year is Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

## CALENDAR DATES

6 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication Screening Test
16 <sup>th</sup> June: 9-11am	Year 6 Hockey Festival, William Borlase School (whole class) letter to follow
16 <sup>th</sup> June: 9:15am – 11:15am	Year 5 Footgolf Challenge, Furze Platt Junior School (selected children informed by letter)
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Drowning Prevention Workshop at Braywick Leisure Centre Year 5 & Year 6
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Deadline for handing in medication ahead of the Year 6 Residential Trip to Devon
27 <sup>th</sup> June – 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Residential Trip
27 <sup>th</sup> June – 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Sport Fortnight
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	HT Fest (details to follow)
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term
15 <sup>th</sup> July	First Day of the summer holiday
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	First day of the new academic year
8 <sup>th</sup> October	PTA Ball (details to follow)