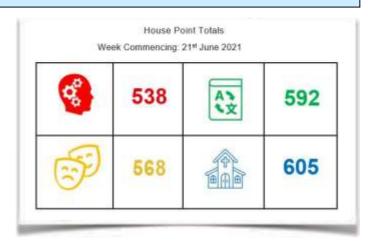


Newsletter Friday 9th July 2021





Message from Mrs Grainger

Your child will be bringing home their school report today (Maple children will receive these on Monday). Please remember that there are no statutory tests (SATs) this year for Years 2 and 6. There is also no Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 – this will be competed in the Autumn Term of the next academic year. Details of how you can request contact with your current class teacher are included in the envelopes. I have read all the reports and it is such a pleasure to read all the lovely comments about our wonderful children.

School Organisation for September 2021

From September, the year group organisation for the school will be as follows:

| Nursery | Saplings | Mrs Rigby |
|----------------|----------|-------------------------|
| Reception | Acorn | Miss Hathaway |
| Reception | Willow | Miss Morton |
| Cherry Class | Year 1 | Mrs Taylor |
| | | (Mon/Tues/Weds) |
| | | Miss Lemm |
| | | (Weds/Thurs/Fri) |
| Apple Class | Year 2 | Miss Tullett |
| Maple Class | Year 3 | Mrs Bishop |
| Sycamore Class | Year 4 | Mr Budge |
| Birch Class | Year 5 | Mrs Chapman |
| Elder Class | Year 5/6 | Mr Stevens |
| | | Mrs Mullen will support |
| | | this class |
| Oak Class | Year 6 | Mrs Cadman (Mon) |
| | | Mrs Miles (Tues-Fri) |

Children in Years 1-6 will be bringing home their completed books from this year on Friday 16^{th} July. It would be helpful if you could send your child with carrier bags on this day.

Children in Nursery and Reception will not be bringing home their Learning Journey's until January 2022. This is because the curriculum specifies a transition phase in the autumn term (especially when moving from an Early Years Curriculum to the National Curriculum). We will keep them safe and refer to them regularly. We shall send them home in early January. You will receive your child's Writing and Maths books, also on the 16th July.

Books will not be kept over the summer. Anything not taken home will be appropriately disposed of.

Covid Guidance

Although we have received new guidance on the restrictions for schools as we enter Step 4 of the government roadmap, we will not be making any changes to our restrictions in school this academic year. We will be maintaining bubbles, face coverings, and social distancing. I have made this decision based on the fact that the legal requirement to self-isolate for contacts of a positive cases does not change until 16th August.

We thank you all for understanding as we reach the end of this difficult year.

Non-Uniform Day Friday 16th July

£1 donation - all donations will go towards special events planned in school.



What has your child been learning about in class this week?

Years 1 & 2

We've really enjoyed Sports Week this week in Key Stage 1! We had lots of fun learning archery and golf and taking part in lots of different sports day races, despite the unpredictable weather! The children showed excellent sportsmanship and were always sure to cheer on their classmates during each of the activities.

Cherry class have also completed their final computing unit of the year. We used the app ScratchJr and created algorithms to direct the sprite to different places on the background. We also read algorithms and predicted where the sprite would end up.

In our writing lessons, we have researched different dinosaurs, written notes and then turned our notes into sentences to create dinosaur fact books. We've also included some colourful pictures to make them appealing to our readers.



Years 3 & 4

Wow! What a week we have had in Years 3 & 4! Firstly, we look forward to seeing Maple class with us again next week. Secondly, a HUGE thank you to all parents/carers for making such an effort in getting the children ready for our Ancient Greek Feast and Olympics day. We really did look amazing and the children absolutely loved coming in as Ancient Greek citizens! Also thanks for providing children with Greek food or contributing to the fund for a Greek platter!

Sycamore and Chestnut classes have loved sports week this week and have had such a great time competing in their house teams in all sorts of events. We have tried hard to foster a sense of competitiveness whilst including all children who perhaps find this aspect of sport difficult. It has been lovely seeing the classes improve in new events such as golf, tennis, bocia and of course Ancient Greek wrestling.

Next week is our last full week in school and children now know who their new teacher is. Also reports are sent home today so check children's bags! We will be showing classes their new classrooms virtually, ready for next year.

Years 5 & 6

Wow what a busy week!

Years 5 & 6, like the rest of the school, taken part in Sports Week, thoroughly enjoying all of the activities.

We have continued with our book 'Skellig' in Year 6 and 'Stormbreaker' in Year 5. Both are drawing close to a conclusion and so we are reading with great anticipation as to how they will end.

We have worked on Poetry in writing. Year 5 have been working incredibly hard to write their spy narratives.

Oak class have worked in the computer room on programming Crumbles. Birch class will do this next week. Theme lessons have focussed on algorithms.

Alongside all of this the Year 6 have also being working on perfecting their Leavers Service.

Poetry Publication

Well done to Penelope who has had her fabulous Bug Safari poem published in the "Poetry Safari 2021 – Little Laureates" book through Young Writers.















The children have had a wonderful week of Sporting Events – we hope they have been telling you all about it! Here are some photographs captured throughout the week.....















