



Message from Headteacher

Well done to all the children in Year 6, who finished their last test yesterday. All the children have worked incredibly hard all week and put a lot of effort into preparing for this week; they should be very proud of themselves. Many thanks to Mrs Cadman, Mrs Chapman, Mrs Miles, Mrs Swallow and Mr Stevens, who ran a breakfast club for the children and all the other members of staff who helped out in different ways this week. Thanks also to Mrs Wayman-Chiles for cooking the breakfast and cleaning lots of dirty cereal bowls each morning. Both the children and staff very much enjoyed this start to the day!

At the end 2018, Damian Hinds (Education Secretary) challenged all schools to eliminate using single-use plastics by 2022. This is part of the government's 25-year Environment Plan which pledges the elimination of avoidable plastic waste by 2042 and promises to consider steps to discourage plastic items that prove difficult to recycle and ideas to reduce demand for commonly littered items.

Following this, several pupils wrote in our school suggestion box that we should be more mindful of using plastic. So we have made some changes. We will no longer be using disposable plastic cups around school. The majority of children use water bottles and on the rare occurrence that a water bottle is forgotten, we have provided all classrooms with reusable cups. This would be a good time to remind parents and children that as summer approaches water bottles must be in school and that we have bottles available to buy from the office priced at £2. After the half term, the plastic used at lunchtime with school dinners will also become reusable. We would appreciate any other ideas you may have to help with our 'single use plastic free status'.

What's on next week



Monday 20th May:

- KS2 Badminton 3.20-4.20pm

Tuesday 21st May:

- Choir 8.20-8.50am
- Singing, Woodwind & Guitar Lessons
- 12.30pm Year 5 to Lichfield Fire Station
- KS2 Athletics 3.20-4.20pm

Wednesday 22nd May:

- Chadsmead's Got Talent Auditions
- Violin & Keyboard Lessons

Thursday 23rd May:

- School closed due to Polling

Friday 24th May:

- KS2 Rounders 3.20-4.20pm

Parent/Carer Survey

Please take the time to complete this survey which is available on the website under the Parents and Families tab. The findings will be used to measure our performance and will feed directly into our future planning and decision making. We will publish the results at a later date. Thank you.

Years 1 & 2

This week in Years 1 & 2 we have been mixing colours and exploring the work of the artist Wassily Kandinsky. We have painted our own Kandinsky pieces, creating and using our own colours. We have also learnt about and written the life cycle of an oak tree.

In maths, Year 1 have started looking at numbers beyond 50 and using dienes to represent tens and ones in a number. Year 2 have been doing revision of multiplication and division calculations.

In English, we have created our own monster character for some stories that we are going to invent next week! PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD HAS A COAT AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY AS WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THE WEATHER. THANK YOU

Years 3 & 4

Years 3 & 4 have worked very hard this week in English. They really enjoyed making a model of Willy Wonka's chocolate factory and have written some interesting instructions telling somebody how to make it. Thanks for sending in the resources.

Year 4s have been working on solving area investigations in maths whilst Year 3 have been continuing their work on Geometry - specifically angles and 2d shapes.

We continue to regularly test times tables and ask children to learn these at home by rote and also by using Times Tables Rock Stars.

Theme work has been interesting this week as we have 'flown' around the world finding out where various foods come from including 'Rotten Cheese' from Italy and 'Raw Blood Soup' from Vietnam!

Years 5 & 6

Another busy week for Years 5 & 6!

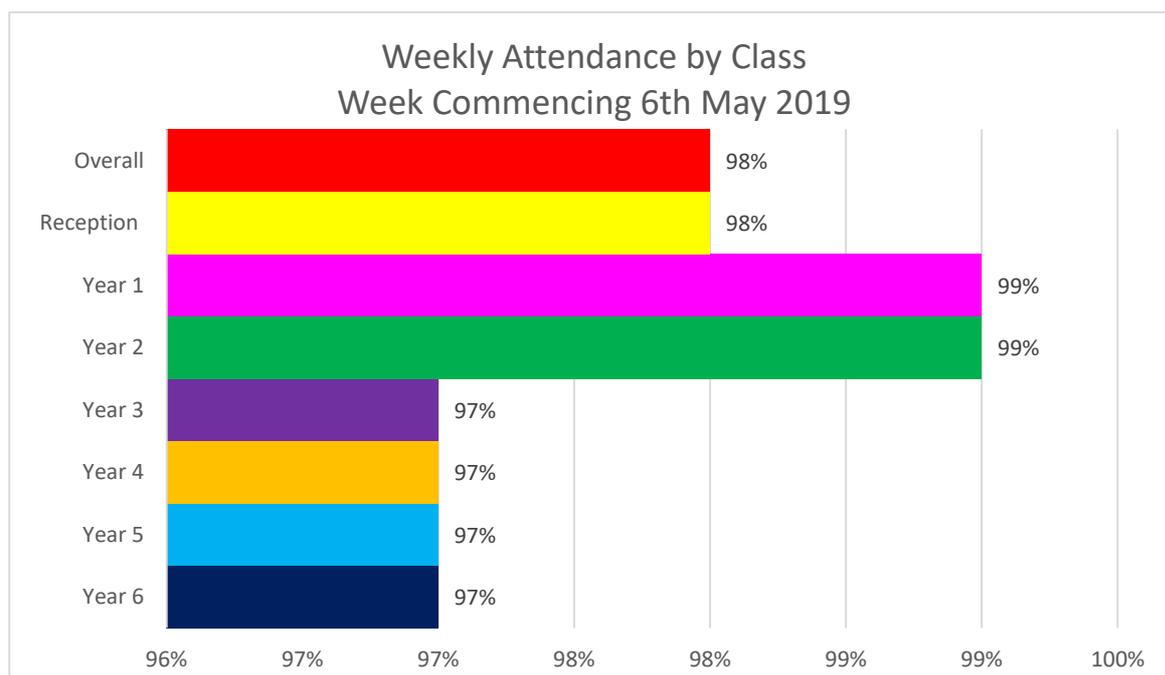
Firstly, well done to all Year 6 for surviving SATs week. All the children have done their best and we await their results which are expected mid-July. Writing will be assessed through pieces written over the coming weeks so attendance at school remains imperative. We would like to thank parents for their support with homework; Mandy in the kitchen (who has come in early to provide breakfasts for us this week) and to Mrs Chapman and the Year 5's for vacating their rooms during the tests.

We look forward to the busy week ahead and bringing our 'Tomorrow's World' theme to an exciting end with our Drone Day (please see letters sent home earlier this week).

This week, Year 4 have been practising for the National Multiplication Check. We have also been using Rock Star Times Tables Rock Stars, as the 'Soundcheck' area simulates this test. Year 4 should be using this as frequently as possible to ensure that they are familiar with the format and know their times tables.

Safeguarding

There are a small number of children arriving at school or being dropped off and left unsupervised near the school entrance or on the playgrounds, well before 8.45am. Parents and carers are reminded that teachers in school are not available to supervise children before this time. Children must be under parent or carer supervision before this time.



House point totals
Week Commencing: 6th May 2019

	188		193
	219		220



Car Parking

Parking is not allowed in front of the school gates. Yellow lines and zig zags outside school are there to protect all of our children. They are there to STOP people from parking so that the children are safe.

Please also show consideration to local home owners and do not block garages and driveways. The continuous single white lines indicate an exit from private drive-ways and should not be parked across.

Please do not walk through or across the car park when dropping off or collecting your children.

Summer Music Concert

Summer Music Concert Tuesday 21st May at 9.30am. Parents and carers of children involved are welcome to attend.

Chadsmead Got Talent

Reminder that auditions are on Wednesday 22nd May.

Please note that school will be closed on 23rd May due to Polling

School Events 2019

Tuesday 21 st May 2019	KS2 Summer Music Concert 9.30am
Thursday 23 rd May 2019	Polling Day
Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st May	Half Term Week
Monday 10 th June	Years 5 & 6 Visit to the Open Centre, Derby
Wednesday 12 th June 2019	Chadsmead's Got Talent
Tuesday 18 th –Wednesday 19 th June 2019	Friary/Netherstowe/King Edwards Transition Days
Friday 21 st June 2019	Inset Day
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Nursery and Reception Visit to Tamworth Castle
Monday 8 th July 2019	KS2 Sports Day
Tuesday 9 th July 2019	KS1 and Early Years Sports Day
Monday 15 th July 2019	Year 6 Prom
Friday 19 th July 2019	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am
Friday 19 th July 2019	Last Day of Term

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SUMMER PRODUCTION

The most exciting time of the year as we prepare for our annual Summer Production. Each class will work on a short, scripted performance which will be performed at The Rugeley Rose Theatre for family and friends.

We still have a few places left with a special offer of 50% off!

Classes local to all, Cheadle, Uttoxeter, Stafford, Lichfield and Cannock. Contact our office today!

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to have been invited by Chadsmead Primary Academy to offer a digital photography STEM club for pupils in KS2 on a Wednesday after school from 3.20pm – 4.20pm.

The workshops are designed as a fun and creative way for learning how to take the subject of optics (photography) in with the themes of: science, technology, engineering and maths for pupils to engage with new and exciting technologies. These include topics such as: biotechnology, optical engineering and informatics.

The workshops are for a 6-week period, commencing on Wednesday 5th June 2019 for an hour after school. The cost of the six-week course is £30.00 per pupil, payable in advance. Payments can be made to us via cash or cheque (to be left at the school office before the start of the workshops). Cheques should be made payable to: 'Imaging Partnership Education Ltd' for £30.

Numbers will be limited to 30. If you would like your child to take part, please complete the attached registration form and return it to school by Monday 3rd June 2019, with either your cash or cheque. Places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. All cash and cheque payments will need to be received in school before the club can begin.

We are very much looking forward to working with the school on what I am sure will be a fun and fruitful learning experience.

Very best wishes,

Kate Mercer
Imaging Partnership Education



Family Support Service by SCTSP and Staffordshire County Council in partnership with Inspired Parenting are funding the following Programmes in Cannock and Lichfield

UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOUR IN CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE WORKSHOP

The 2-hour Workshop for parents/carers covers:

- Understanding Challenging Behaviour
- Managing Anger
- Dealing with defiant behaviours
- Strategies for Positive Behaviour
- Further support

PARENT NURTURE PROGRAMME

This 4- week programme is for parents/carers with children aged 0-5 years and covers:

THE PROGRAMME WILL COVER:

- Building Confidence
- Understanding Boundaries
- Positive Communication
- Parental Emotional Wellbeing
- Further Support

Please note there is no childcare available for these two programmes.

Booking is essential

If you are interested in the delivery of any of these workshops or programmes at your setting

please contact Raminder on: Phone: 07741645691

Email: raminderdhalwal.fss@sctsp.org.uk



Dear Parents / Carers,

FREE Summer School Project for current Year 4 and Year 5 children

Monday 19th August – Friday 23rd August 2018 9.00am-3.30pm

We have an exciting opportunity for your child to participate in a Summer School Activity Week. This will take place between Monday 19th August until Friday 23rd August 2019 at the Lichfield Cathedral School. Each day children will be able to choose from a wide variety of fun activities including

Sport and art
Music and drama
A visit to Darwin House
Geocaching in the Cathedral

Your child will be given a free meal at lunch time each day of the activities. This is for current Year 4 and Year 5 and priority will be given to Pupil Premium children. Places can be booked for the whole week or for each day. Children will be collected from their own school by 9.00am each day and will be returned to their own school by 3.30pm.

We are very grateful to the Lichfield Cathedral School for providing the use of their facilities and to the many volunteers who will be supervising your children. This is an exciting new project that is benefitting from external funding and goodwill and will therefore be FREE of charge to your child. If you require any additional information please contact:

Alex Nicholson-Ward at Lichfield Cathedral
(01543 306240 : alex.nicholson-ward@lichfield-cathedral.org)

Please complete the attached application and parental consent form and return to either your child's own school, or to the office at Willows Primary School by **Friday 12th July 2019**.

N.B. Parents MUST have received a letter or email of confirmation in order to confirm a place for their child/children on the Summer School

