



Dear Parents,

Please read the information below regarding the predicted extreme heat weather warnings and the measures we are putting in place as a school. Within this week's newsletter you will be able to read about the fantastic SATs results; the highlights and memories from the year 5/6 residential and some important staffing news.

**Welcome back Mrs Wells!** On Thursday this week, we welcomed back Mrs Wells from maternity leave. Mrs Wells will be working two days a week from September; in year 1 and 2 on Thursday and in Early Years on a Friday.

**Goodbye and Thank you.** At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to our SENCo, Mrs Rawson. We have seen significant improvements with our SEND provision over the past year and would like to thank Mrs Rawson for all her hard work and contribution to the school. Miss Cooper will be leaving us this summer to study at Oxford Brookes University. Miss Cooper has been a fantastic addition to the staff team, working across all classes as well as at breakfast club and CAST. Finally, I would like to share with you the news that Mrs Brandon, our Office Administrator will be moving to a school closer to home in September. Mrs Brandon has played a significant role in improving systems and processes to develop communication between the school and our families and we wish her all the best in her new role.

### Important Notices

The Met Office has extended an amber extreme heat warning for Sunday 17th July, Monday 18th July and Tuesday 19th July as temperatures will build this weekend and early next week for much of England and Wales. With temperatures expected to be in excess of 35 degrees we have taken the following measures to ensure the safety of pupils and staff.

On Monday and Tuesday next week we are implementing the following steps:

- \* Children are encouraged to wear loose, light coloured clothing and sunhats. We are happy for your child to wear their PE kit on both days.
- \* We will be utilising the community hall as an additional classroom.
- \* Children will have an extended morning break when the weather is cooler rather than being outside at lunchtime.
- \* No PE lessons will take place on these two days.
- \* Windows will be left open and blinds kept down to keep the school well ventilated.
- \* Encouraging children to drink plenty of water.
- \* Children will only be allowed outside with a sun hat.



### SATs Success

We are really proud of our year six class for their fantastic SATs results. 100% of the pupils achieved the age expected level in mathematics with the school above national in reading, writing and maths combined.

Other notable results include 30% of the year group being awarded the higher standard in their writing with 40% achieving this in the spelling and grammar papers.

### Teaching Assistant Vacancy

We are currently advertising for a part-time teaching assistant. The closing date is on Monday next week. If you are interested in applying, please contact the school office.

### Celebrations this week



Class	Value	Reason
Explorer	Resilience	Minnie: For being more confident to try and write letters in RWI.
Pathfinder	Love	All of the class for their love of art.
Adventurer	Resilience	Amelia: for keeping an open mind and trying hard in her transition days.
Navigator	Kindness	The whole of year 5 & 6 for their amazing teamwork at Hill End.

## Explorers

FSU have enjoyed revisiting one of our core stories this week- The Gruffalo By Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler. We have had lots of opportunities to be creative using natural materials including retelling the story with 'real' object props and making ice cream cones from loose parts. We also made Gruffalo headbands.



## Pathfinders

This week we have enjoyed art week, looking at local nature. We have researched leaves and trees in our school field and sketched them. One of our other favourite activities was colour mixing and recreating landscape pictures. We started with primary colours and used them to make different shades of green, blue and yellow. Finally, we used clay to make our own leaf sculptures. The designs were all so different and they look really effective! What a super week!



## Adventurers

This week year 3 and 4 have been completing lots of different art activities to build up their skills as part of our art theme week. We started off learning all about Claude Monet, and created art based on his painting of 'water lilies'.

We replicated his painting and created 3D water lilies.

We studied local birds and then used pencil and pastels to draw them. Then, we learnt about William Morris and Orla Keily who created art based on printing and we experimented with printing with different objects. We used leaves and polystyrene as our stamps. We used these to try and create repeated patterns just like William Morris and Orla Keily.



## Navigators

The children have been away on their 2 night residential trip to Hill End Camp this week. They were all very excited. They have learnt so many new skills and have made some life long memories. Here are a selection of photos from the trip and a few of their highlights:

**Zak** - Playing with my friends. **Ruby** - Sleeping in a tent with my friends. **Mitzi** - Adventures and learning new games.



## Safeguarding

Please contact Miss Giles, Mrs Clarke or Mr Griffin should you have any safeguarding concerns. Heather Phillips is our Safeguarding Governor, and she can also be contacted via the school office.