

#### Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school. I trust everyone had a restful Easter break. We can definitely feel the weather is improving slowly and have enjoyed some sunshine during our lunchtimes.

This term we are turning our focus to the value of Resilience. We have started talking about what resilience means and have thought a bit about the feelings we experience when things go wrong or when we come across a hurdle. During Monday's assembly, two children were set the challenge of building the tallest tower. I was particularly pleased to hear the encouragement from the other pupils as they watched the two children attempting to build the tower with some unexpected problems as they worked.

This week we also marked World Earth Day which takes place on the 22nd April. The Eco council helped lead our Collective



worship sharing facts and tips. The children were encouraged to come home and ask about recycling and how we are doing our bit for the environment from our homes.

You may have noticed teachers greeting the children outside school at the start of the day. This is a good chance for parents to catch teachers should they need to. From next week, we would like the children to line up in their classes for 8:45am to be led in to school by the teacher.

This week, we have welcomed some students from Oxford Brookes, Mr Matada and Miss Rachel (who was with us last term too), they are with us for two weeks working on a focused project. It has been great to see how they have engaged with the children in the classrooms but also at play-times, joining in with their games.

Next week we also have two more trainee teachers joining us in Year 1&2 and Year 5&6 through until June to complete their teacher training, Miss Williams and Miss Moral.

We are very excited to have our first Forest School sessions for Years 3&4 starting next week. Please remember to send the children in with the correct equipment.

Wishing you all a sunny weekend, Nadia Gosling

### **Headteacher Value Award**

### **Resilience**

#### Emily C & Teddy

For challenging him/herself in trying new things.



# **Celebrations this week**







Class	Value	Reason
Early Years	Love (of Learning)	Harry B—Working hard in maths
Year 1 & 2	Love (of school)	William—For showing lots of confidence and love of lessons
Year 3 & 4	Respect for Learning	Jaxon-Lee—for show- ing enthusiasm in af- ternoon subjects such as Geography and French.
Year 5 & 6	Love	Isobel—For showing love, kindness & Pa- tience to other chil- dren during the May Day dance practice.

# **School Dates**

### **Diary dates**

1st May—Bank Holiday

**5th May**—Non-uniform day and Coronation street party style lunch.

8th May—Bank Holiday

9th-12th May—Y6 SATs week

18th May-Big Summer Sing

29th May-4th June-Half Term

5th June-Inset Day, closed to pupils

**21st July**—Last day of term—Summer Holidays

**1st & 4th September**—Inset Day, closed to pupils

23rd October—29th October—Half Term

## **Class Attendance Winner**

This week's best attended classes are FSU and Year 5&6 with:

# 95% attendance

# Whole school attendance 94%

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into school at 08:45. It makes such a difference!

### New Drop & Play Sessions

Breakfast Club—0750am-8:45am—£6.00 (breakfast included) Session 1 Drop & Play—- 8:15-8:45am—£3 (breakfast not included) Session 2 Drop & Play - 8:30-8:45am -£1 (breakfast not included)

If you drop your child between 07:50-8:15 you will be charged the Breakfast Club rate. 8:15-8:30 you will be charged for session 1, drop off between 8:30-8:45 will be charged for session 2.

Thank you for your understanding.

# **Breakfast Club & CAST**

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.45am 8:30am-8:45am

Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.45am

CAST times: Mon-Thurs 3.15pm-4.15pm or 3.15pm-5.30pm.

#### CAST mobile no: 07395182892

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club, Drop & Play or CAST, please book a place using the app. All clubs are open to Reception through to Year 6 children only.

If you could **please try to get your clubs booked by Sunday for the week ahead**, so that snacks can be arranged. As our numbers are increasing, we may not be able to accept last minute bookings due to the adult ratio's required.

### **Early Years**

We have started our new topic called ' Our Superheroes' by thinking about people who help us at home, in school and in the local community. We had two visitors to talk to us about how they help others in their jobs-Rev Lisa on Wednesday and Miss Giles on Thursday.





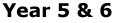
### Year3 & 4

This week, year 3 and 4 have settled back into school routines. We have begun preparations for May Day and have practiced the two main dances we will be doing on the day. The children have shown that they are giving it their best and we are all looking forward to seeing them perform on the day.



# Year 1 & 2

This week, we have been doing position and direction in maths. We have been using mathematical language like clockwise and anticlockwise. We also have been practising our left and right! We played a game with our partners giving them instructions to follow a route. We have also been learning our May Day songwe look forward to showing you!



This week, children in Y5/6 have been practising the Maypole dances this week for May Day. They have even been using skipping ropes and a pole to practise the dances at break time! They cannot wait for you to see all of their hard work.





## Safeguarding

Please contact Miss Giles, Mrs Clarke or Mrs Gosling should you have any safeguarding concerns.