

Windermere Primary School Newsletter 12th May 2023

A word from the Headteacher

Although a couple of shorter weeks, we have seen Year 6 busy preparing for and taking their SATs tests this week. They have worked hard and tried their best, and contrary to some schools featured in news reports, have managed to stay very calm and composed. Thank you to parents for supporting them through this, and to all staff involved for supporting and reassuring them through the whole process.

We have learned about the coronation and more about the royal family, and created art works that can be seen in each class window. Thanks go to the PTA for the bookmarks to commemorate the event. Children have also explored the story of Buddha and how Buddhists mark Buddha Day or Wesak. Classes have celebrated children who always show kindness towards people other than their friends, and those who make the right choices.

Wishing you all a good weekend. Sarah Gilliver

Classroom routines and expectations

In recent weeks all classes have been focusing on behaviours for learning. These include the following basic expectations:

- Saying please and thank you
- Listening when someone is speaking
- Asking for permission to move around the classroom
- No pencil cases on tables

Children will be involved in reviewing class responses to these and making suggestions for improvements and tweaks.

Delivery Special Provision Locally (DSPL)

DSPL7 is the local area resource for schools, parents and families to access support for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). They have recently reviewed, updated and relaunched their website which contains a parent section which is building lots of useful information on courses, support and details of local attractions with dedicated SEN access timings. https://www.dspl7.org.uk/topic/parents

Water and hydration

As we move into the warmer spring and summer weather, it is essential that children have easy access to water throughout the day. This helps with all round health and aids concentration. Children MUST all have a NAMED reusable water bottle (not Prime) that can be taken outside at breaks and lunchtimes as well as being used in the class.

PE Kit

All children MUST have a separate PE kit for ALL their PE lessons to support flexibility of movement and hygiene, particularly for KS2. The kit is as follows: PE t-shirt (red or white)

Black shorts or tracksuit trousers

Trainers- separate to daily footwear as they can still get muddy while the field is still damp.

Summer uniform KS2

As in previous years, the school has moved into the 'summer uniform' phase with the polo shirts replacing the cotton shirts. We recognise that many children will feel more comfortable in the cotton shirt and as parents you want your child to get the most wear and value from them. All ties are to be kept at home for the summer even if continuing to wear a cotton shirt so the top button can be opened while still being smart.



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Ask Your Child...

This is a way to start to discuss your child's learning. You aren't expected to know the answers.

- Reception-What do plants need to grow?
- Year 1-What are the parts of a plant?
- Year 2- What is germination?
- Year 3- What is the difference between a closed question and an open question?
- Year 4- What is an algorithm?
- Year 5 Can you explain how our plants are developing? What has happened to their roots and why?
- Year 6 What are the physical features of a volcano?

Class Attendance: May 9 th to May 12 th			
Class	Present	Authorised	Unauthorised
	%	absence %	absence %
Reception	98.6	0	1.4
Year 1	97.9	1.04	1.04
Year 2	96.2	2.5	1.25
Year 3	94	3.5	2.6
Year 4	85.4	13.8	0.8
Year 5	98.4	1.1	0.6
Year 6	99.1	0.9	0

Dates for your Diary:

26 th May	Last day of half term		
29 th May- 2 nd June Half Term Holiday			
26 th - 30 th June	Sports week		
1 st July	PTA Summer Fair		
13 th July	Secondary Transition Day		
21 st July	Last day of the school year		



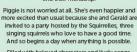












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