



Windermere Primary School

Newsletter 26th May 2023

A word from the Headteacher

It doesn't seem long since I was writing to you at the close of the Spring term, yet already we have come to the end of another half term of busy working, learning, progress and development.

Children have learned about how Mount Everest came to be named and the people involved in measuring mountain heights. They have also explored traditions associated with the Jewish festival of Shavuot, with Year 4 gaining special insight on the festival from Ms Keller.

We have celebrated children who persevere and those who follow the rules.

Wishing you all a good half term week and we will see you on Monday 5th June.

Sarah Gilliver

Sharing successes in assembly

We have begun sharing individual successes in our Friday celebration assemblies. Children bring in items to share/show where they have achieved outside of school. These can be swimming stage awards, martial arts grading belts, music awards, competition medals, Cubs badges and more. It is already great to see the range of activities children participate in and share in their success.

Spare Seedlings

Year 5 have been preparing and caring for their seedlings as they have grown, ready to plant in the kitchen garden. They have done well and initial growing has been successful. There is still some space in the garden though, so if anyone has any spare vegetable or pollinator seedlings that could be added to the crop, please speak with Mrs Baker and the Year 5 team.

Positive Behaviour Policy

We have recently reviewed and renewed our Positive Behaviour Policy. This is in line with the expectations set out by the DfE, has been checked by the Local Authority's Behaviour and Wellbeing team and follows whole school training on a therapeutic approach to teaching behaviour. Please find the document [here](#) on the school website.

Staffing

I am happy to share that we have confirmed our teaching staff for September 2023. Further details will be sent out after half term.

Uniform

Please make sure all uniform is labelled with your child's name. These don't need to be printed or sewn-in labels, but can be a simple handwritten biro label on the tag.

Ties are no longer required for the summer term. Please leave them at home. Polo shirts can be worn in Years 3 to 6 as well as Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

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 happened to the seeds in the story (The Tiny Seed)?

Year 1-What is the same about writing on a computer and writing on paper?

Year 2- What did the cress seed grow so tall in the cupboard?

Year 3- What is the function of the stem?

Year 4- Does your mouth use chemical or mechanical digestion or both?

Year 5 -Is Little Red Riding Hood as guilty as Goldilocks and why?

Year 6 -Can you explain how an electrical circuit works?

Class Attendance: May 22nd to May 26th

Class	Present %	Authorised absence %	Unauthorised absence %
Reception	95.6	2.8	1.7
Year 1	98.3	0.8	0.8
Year 2	94	4.7	1.3
Year 3	95	4.6	0.4
Year 4	88.2	8.5	3.3
Year 5	95.3	3	1.5
Year 6	94.5	4.8	1.7

Dates for your Diary:

29th May - 2nd June Half Term Holiday

5th June Return to school

26th - 30th June Sports week

27th June Sports Day

1st July PTA Summer Fair

5th/6th July Parent evenings

13th July Secondary Transition Day

TBC Afternoon tea and book look

21st July Last day of the school year

