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Gardening

The gardening club continues to do well. The Reception children will be planting their pumpkins this week ready for their competition and Mr Coles hopes the crop of new potatoes will be ready by the end of June; the plan is to sell these on the playground so look out for that!

We are though, struggling for volunteers. If you, or a family member could spare some time then that would be just wonderful. Just half a day a month would help to make a difference. You don't need to be an expert – on the contrary, come along and learn with the children. Please do be in touch with the school office if you can help.



School Council

School Council would like to say a huge thank-you for the donations made for non-uniform on British Values day. You raised £120 which school council have chosen to split between 2 charities – Cancer Research UK and A way out.

Tuck shop has continued to be a success and we thank you for your weekly support. To date the children have made a profit of about £507.75, so are well on the way to their £1,000 target. With the match funding that the PTA has given, this will give the school council a real opportunity to create the play space they have planned. They have asked me to pass on their thanks for your continued support. It really does help to motivate them to see the difference they can make.



Car Parking

Please could we ask all parents to take extra care when using the car park? Please do drive slowly, especially when pulling into a space that is next to the building. Could we also ask that you turn your engines off and do not leave them running. This is not good for the children, who should be our primary concern at all times.



Afternoon Tea

Many thanks for your support with the Afternoon Tea. Once again it was a great success, with many of you attending. A huge thank you to our band of volunteers who work so hard to make these occasions so fabulous. We raised £344.46.



Mr Harvey

Mr Harvey and his wife would like to share with you the wonderful news of the birth of their son Miles. He was safely delivered on May 6th and both Mum and baby are doing well. We wish them all the very best for the future.



Attendance

Many thanks for continuing to follow our 48 hour rule on returning from sickness and/or diarrhoea. This really does go such a long way to stopping bugs going right through school.

We realise there has been a great deal of publicity in the media around holidays, but please could you consider the impact of taking time off on the education of your child? Regular time off does impact on their progress and it remains the policy of this school for all absences to be unauthorised for holiday. It continues to be essential, for the sake of the children that you continue to be open and honest with us about where they are and why they are absent.



Uniform

The children are looking lovely in their summer uniform. Please could we remind you of the need for girls to have sandals that cover their toes, so they can stay safe in the playground and around school? Can they also come with a coat? We still have them playing outstised –if there is a very light rainfall as being inoors can be so hard all day. The wonderful English Sumer cann maek thisngs unrpeditatble – so being preoapared can only help!



Health and Safety

We had our full Health and Safety Audit just before the Easter Holidays. I am delighted to say that we passed this with flying colours and secured full assurance in all aspects. A huge thank you to all staff; it takes complete commitment from all to achieve this. Robertson's are always thorough in their responsibilities and between us we create a safe environment in which the children can flourish.



Sporting News

Y5 and 6 have been very busy representing the school at many competitions. These have included swimming galas, cricket events, athletics and golf cluster competitions. In swimming, Chloe Ward and Mason Boucher represented the school at the Tees Valley Final. They both performed excellently, with Chloe managing to win a handful of medals. All of the children performed remarkably at the recent athletics competition, with many of them reaching the next round at Middlesbrough Sports Village. Each student has thoroughly enjoyed representing the school at these events and has given their best whilst doing so. We have many events coming up that the children are looking forward to competing in!

Class News

Nursery

This half term we have been learning about animals. We talked about pets and some of the children told us all about pets they have at home and how they look after them. We had a visit from the Farm Yard Flyer who brought various animals for us to stroke and learn about. We have used nonfiction books to find out about zoo animals and have started to write our own fact books.

The older children have started reading in a group in preparation for starting Reception in September. In PE we have been practising our races in preparation for Sports Day and using different games equipment to develop our skills.

Reception

Reception have been working very hard this term. After half term we started with learning about 'British Values'. We talked about our country and about being kind, honest and determined. We looked at the Royal Family and planned our own very British meal – an afternoon tea! In our recent topic 'Fairies and Giants' we made a fairy garden for our classroom. We planted the seeds and watered it so they grew before adding accessories such as a little pond, a swing for the fairies and making a little seating area. Luckily some fairies decided to visit our garden and we enjoyed watching what they were doing. We read 'The Smartest Giant in Town' and retold the story changing the ending. We also designed some clothes for George the giant. Recently our fairy garden changed overnight and three spotty eggs appeared. We are wondering if they are to do with our new topic – dinosaurs! Thank you to those who have contributed to our Reception fund. We have bought resources for our fairy garden, cooking ingredients, resources for our writing area and a few more things for dressing up and role play. Without the contributions these little extras wouldn't be possible! Leading up to the end of term we are focussing on the children reaching their Early Learning Goal for the different areas of learning in Reception. Please continue with regular reading and check your child's book bag daily in case we have sent home any extra activities. Many thanks for your continued support

Year 1

Year 1 are enjoying their new topic of Pirates. They have read and composed their own Pirate poems which they enjoyed performing with actions. The children have also been following instructions and have made fruit kebabs which they are writing instructions for. Why not try making some at home. In Maths the children have been helping the pirates look after their treasure, by counting, multiplying and dividing it. They have also found out about Captain James Cook and his voyages. If your child is interested in finding out more why not visit the museum at Stewarts Park. The children in year 1 are working hard learning all of their letters and sounds, please keep practising at home and remember you can use www.phonicsplay.co.uk for free and the children really enjoy the games

Year 2

We have been working very hard on our 'tests'. Everyone is really enjoying the pirate topic and so we have written some good stories and reports. Everyone is now really good at using the internet safely to research facts and make information sheets. We have also painted pirates, made treasure maps and collage sails for the pirate ship we are going to make.

Year 3

We have enjoyed the first summer term so far. We completed our swimming lessons and have made lots of progress!

Our topic this term is the Rocking Stone Age. We have learnt about the historical site Skara Brae and have written an information leaflet, as well as a newspaper report.

We have linked much of our English with our Stone Age work. However, we have also studied fairy tales including Little Red Riding Hood.

In Maths we have practised numerous skills including subtraction, coordinates and time. We have also continued to practise and develop our reasoning and problem solving skills.

Year 4

Year 4 have had a very productive half-term. In Maths, we have worked extremely hard improving our column addition and subtraction, place value and time problem skills. During English, we have been learning about different authors, focussing particularly on Enid Blyton. We have also been learning how to write formal letters. To link these two topics together, the class have written a letter to David Walliams and we are eagerly awaiting a response.

Our topic this half-term has been 'The Stone Age' and we have had great fun learning interesting facts and making various Stone Age artefacts in Art, Design and Technology.

In Science, we have been learning how to look after our teeth and in Music we have been learning to sing a song for our up and coming family assembly.

In all, I think it has been a fabulous half-term and I am sure the children would agree.

Year 5

We are really enjoying our new topic, 'William Shakespeare' particularly our English and drama work on the Twelfth Night. We have impressed everyone with our acting skills, along with our knowledge and understanding of Shakespeare's life and works. Our homework projects were fantastic!

We are also enjoying a summer of sport! Some of the children have represented the school at hockey and athletics festivals and we are looking forward to more sporting events.

Thank you for your continued support this year.

Year 6

We are extremely proud of our Year 6's!! They all tried their best and remembered what fantastic stars they are.

We have enjoyed getting into our topic, Shakespeare – Shakespeare4kidz came into school and helped us set out Twelfth Night.

Our cricket and athletics skills are forever improving and we are looking forward to taking part in the cluster athletics, cricket and golf competitions. WE also have the Daisy Chain boat race to look forward to.

Future Dates

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 17

Monday 5th June 17

Monday 19th June 17

Wednesday 21st June 17

Wednesday 28th June 17

Thursday 29th June 17

Wednesday 5th July 17

Thursday 6th July 17

Wednesday 12th July 17

Wednesday 12th July 17

Thursday 13th July 17

Friday 14th July 17

Saturday 15th July 17

Tuesday 18th Jul 17

Wednesday 19th July 17

Thursday 20th July 17

Friday 21st July 17

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May half term

Children return to school after half term holiday

Professional Development Day

Grandparents Afternoon

Y5 family assembly

Y4 family assembly

End of term disco for Years 1-6

Y2 family assembly

Family Picnic 12 noon

Sports Day Reception to Y6 1.30pm

Open Afternoon 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Y3 family assembly

Summer Fayre (this has been changed from 1 July 17)

Teddy Bear's Picnic (Nursery and Reception)

Nursery sports day 11.00am and 2.30pm

Y6 leavers assembly at 10.10am

Teddy Bear's Picnic (Nursery and Reception)

Last day of term