

# NEWSLETTER



'Be kind, work hard and fly high.'

Thursday 28.03.2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe we have come to the end of another term, it's been a wonderful end to the term. It has once again been action packed with activity and wonderful learning from our children. I was amazed with the Easter bonnets across school they truly were 'egg-cellent'.

Additionally, I have been so impressed with the knowledge displayed during our enquiries this term. A big well done to ALL our children!

Have a great Easter break – I look forward to welcoming everyone back for what we hope will be a sunny summer term!



## Diary Dates – Including Holiday Dates 2024

| April                      |                                                 |
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| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>    | First day of the summer 1 term                  |
| May                        |                                                 |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>     | BANK HOLIDAY – School closed                    |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>   | Year 6 Tenby Residential Parent Meeting: 5:00pm |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>    | Year 6 SATs Week begins                         |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>    | KS1 SATs Week begins                            |
| Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | Sports Day                                      |
| Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>    | INSET DAY – School Closed                       |
| June                       |                                                 |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>     | First day of the summer 2 term                  |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>     | Year 4 Multiplication Check Week                |
| Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>   | Reserve Sports Day                              |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>    | Year 1 Phonics Screen Week                      |
| Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>    | Family Breakfast Event – 7:30am                 |
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>    | Eid                                             |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>    | Year 6 depart for Tenby residential             |
| July                       |                                                 |
| Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>    | Reports to Parents                              |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>   | Year 5/6 Production – 5:00pm                    |
| Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> | Year 5/6 Production – 5:00pm                    |
| Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>  | Transition into new classes                     |

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| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>   | Last day of the summer 2 term                                |
| <b>September</b>          |                                                              |
| Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> | First day of the new academic year – pupils return to school |

### Safeguarding Tip of the Week

## Mental Health

This week's safeguarding focus is on mental health. A child's mental health is just as important as their physical health, however recognising the signs that a child may be struggling with their mental health can be really hard. There are lots of reasons why a child may suffer from mental health issues and these can be different for every child. Some signs to look out for can include; sudden mood and behaviour changes, self-harming, sleeping problems and withdrawal from the family. If you are concerned about a child or want to know more information, please use the NSPCC website below:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/childrens-mental-health>

### PE Kit

We're still seeing lots of children in the incorrect kit for their PE session.

There are lots of different colours creeping into the PE kit and children are wearing items that are not strictly in our PE uniform list.

Please see the following as a reminder:

Plain white t shirt  
Plain navy shorts  
Plain navy jogging bottoms and sweat top  
Trainers or plimsolls

Please note that football shirts and brightly coloured leggings should not be worn for PE.

### The Importance of School Attendance



Attendance over the last week is **97.6%** across school – well above the national average, well done everyone! Our current attendance for the academic year is 95.6%.

Well done to Year 4 for their excellent attendance over the last week – **99.8%** attendance!

Additionally, well done to Emily in Y3 – who won the 100% weekly attendance raffle last week.

## Sustainability Top Tips

Changing your driving habits can dramatically reduce your carbon footprint. Walk, bike, carpool or use public transportation whenever possible. Combine errands to make fewer trips. Participate in, or start, car-free days in your community. It's also important to keep your car in shape with regular tune-ups and tyre inflations. Tune-ups can increase your fuel efficiency by up to 40%, saving you money and helping to save the environment.



## Good News Stories

Well done to Remy and Anji in Year 5 who were involved in a musical performance over the weekend at the Bonnington Theatre in Arnold. There were a number of songs that they performed including Consider Yourself from Oliver and World of our Own from Wonka. Well done!



In other news, Hunter from Year 2 took part in a BMX competition at the weekend where he achieved 4<sup>th</sup> place. It was held in a stadium in

Manchester in front of many spectators. A very impressive showing.

More from the world of drama, Esmac and Ella, from Years 1 and Year 4, starred in the performance 'The Sound of Music' at The Nottingham Arts Theatre. Both played the role of Gretl Von Trapp, performing on alternate evenings in front of a large theatre audience. Fantastic!



## Ofsted Parent View

Parents and carers can give their views of our school at any time of the school year and at the time of a school inspection using an online questionnaire called Parent View.



When our school is notified of its next Ofsted inspection, parents will be invited to give their views about the school to inspectors using the Parent View online facility.

Please register with an email address and a password at <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk> - Once your login has been activated, it only takes a few minutes to complete answers to 12 short questions about our school. Your views are important in helping inspectors decide about our school, and to help us know what is going well and what could be improved. If you do not have a computer or an email address or if you would like help to use Parent View, please come into school and ask at reception.

## Year 6 SATs

The children in Year 6 have been working hard to prepare for their SATs which take place from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May. As part of their preparations, they will have breakfast, provided by school (free of charge), each morning before their tests take place. Year 6 children will need to arrive at school for 8:00am to take part in the breakfast. Please remember them in your thoughts over the coming weeks.

## Book Trust

Are you aware of the Book Trust's wonderful work? They have some wonderful resources on their website.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

The Book Trust transforms lives by getting children and families reading. They are the UK's largest reading charity and they reach millions of children every year with books, resources and support to get every child reading, regularly and by choice.

They are national in scale and operate in every region in England, Northern Ireland and Wales. They work through every local authority, via children's centres, schools, libraries and health professionals, to reach the families who need them most.

From running the Children's Laureate to giving out books to families and schools, running exciting reading campaigns or celebrating the very best children's books with prizes, everything they do aims to inspire children – from babies to teenagers – to get children started on their reading journeys.



I wish you all a wonderful Easter and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday 15th April.

Best wishes,

Mr K Clowery