

Hello everyone,

What a lovely sunny day to end the week. It was great to see so many children enjoying the field at lunchtime and P.E classes have also loved spending time outside. Sunflower children have been doing some planting as have Miss Judge's gardening club and Ruth has been talking to some volunteers from Burges Salmon about making better use of our planting areas and greenhouse. Our rooftop bees also took advantage of the sun to swarm. Swarming is the process by which a new honey bee colony is formed, when the queen bee leaves the colony with a large group of worker bees. It is very likely that the new swarm has come from our hive on the roof. Bees are quite docile when swarming as they have stocked up on food before they go.

Heather from 'Bee the Change' who brought us the first bees will come this evening with a new hive, which she will cover with wax to attract the swarm into. We will then have two bee colonies on the roof! The swarms, however, will already have sent explorer bees off to look for empty hives and if they find somewhere quickly they may be gone before Heather arrives.

The swarms are high in the tree at the front of school but there will be a few lower flying bees – they are very unlikely to hurt anyone, but should be left alone.

Next week Year 6 children will do their SATs tests. The whole year group have worked really hard and we are proud of them. Please try to make sure children have a restful weekend.

Best wishes,

Sue Ramsay,
Headteacher.

**School's
Closed!**

THURSDAY 23 MAY

European elections



Reception: Maida and Lashaya

Year 1: Fayola and Asenat

Year 2: Alex and Lawand

Year 3: Muhamed M and Ashley

Year 4: Mohamed A and Ridwan

Year 5: Saabrina and Sumaya

Year 6: Nancy and Sumaiya



Key Stage 1

**Tuesday 22 May at 9:30am
at school**

Children should bring
their PE Kit to change
into at school.



Key Stage 2

Tuesday 22 May at 1:45pm at school
Children should bring their PE Kit to
school to change into after lunch.

**Wednesday 23 May at 10am at
Whitehall Athletics Arena**

Children should come in wearing
their PE Kits with their school
uniform in a bag to change into
after the events.



PE Kits and House T-shirts can be
bought from the office between 10am
and 2pm everyday. Orders made outside
of these hours will be ready for collection
the next day OR you can order online.

**The final date for orders to be placed in time for
Sports Day is FRIDAY 17th MAY.**



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Saturday 11th May

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YEAR 6 CAMP INFORMATION MEETING

**Thursday 16th May, 3:30-4pm in
Eagle Classroom**



Pirates V8 Mermaids

Parents please join our
Year 3 crew for a deep
sea adventure at 2pm
on Friday 24th May.

AHAAAAAARRRR!!!!



What have we been learning?

Reception.... have read and followed instructions to make bread this week, just like the 'Little Red Hen' in our story. We also tasted different types of bread from around the world. Which was your child's favourite? In maths we subtracted animals that escaped from their pens and calculated how many were left. **At home, practise subtraction with toys. eg. You have 8 cars. 5 drive away. How many will be left? Ask your child to draw a picture to show what has happened. Can they write the number sentence?**

Year 1... we have been sequencing pictures from the story 'The Last Tree'. We have also been using a range of punctuation in our sentences. In maths we have been learning to identify directions. **At home, teaching your child to know their left and right would be very helpful.**

Year 2...we have explored word problems as mathematicians this week and done a recount of 'The Tin Forest'. As geographers, we explored the continents and oceans. **At home, please read with your child every day and practise their times tables with them.**

Year 3... It's been another busy week in Year 3. As authors we pretended to be different characters so we can write from their point of view. As mathematicians we continued our topic of measurement and we are still busy learning the songs ready for our performance at the end of the term. **At home, encourage your child to practise their times tables and read as often as possible.**

Year 4... We had a fantastic swimming lesson this week and Mr Webster got to see some very brave children swimming in the deep end! We've learnt all about perimeter in maths and are improving our descriptive writing in English! **At home, practice your column method by adding and subtracting 3 or 4 digit numbers.**

Year 5... In English, we drafted our own descriptive poems based on an animal of our choice using different types of figurative language. In maths, we developed skills in calculating the area and perimeter of regular and irregular shapes. In Enquiry, we looked at colour and how powerful it is in carnivals all over the world. **At home, please research St Pauls Carnival and write down at least three facts from your research.**

Year 6... Phew! Our wonderful Year 6 children are feeling ready for the SATs next week and we have been revising lots of maths, reading and grammar skills in preparation! In our writing we have written a balanced argument about whether graffiti is art or vandalism. **At home, make sure your child is rested, relaxed and feeling calm about the SATs next week!**