



Platt Primary News

Issue 4 Term 5



'Live life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)

Friday 12th May 2023

Dear Parents, carers and friends,

I do hope you enjoyed the bank holiday weekend and the coronation celebrations. We were lucky enough to get amazing weather for the family picnic on the Friday but had not anticipated the swarm of bees that wanted to join us! Thank you to all the families for understanding the change of location and still staying to celebrate together—the classic British spirit was on display that afternoon! The children thoroughly enjoyed their coronation activities in class and we shared all their learning in an assembly together.

Congratulations to our Year 6 children on completing their SATs this week. They enjoyed a breakfast in school each morning to set up them up ready for the day. They have taken this week in their stride and maintained a calm approach to each test paper. We are so proud of them! As a treat, they have enjoyed an ice cream from the ice cream van!

Also this week, we welcomed back Mrs Brown, our Deputy Headteacher for one week only (for now). She kindly agreed to come in each morning to help out with the Year 6 SATs. I know lots of you were happy to see her again and that she has very much enjoyed being back in school. Mrs Brown will return at the end of term 6 and from September, she will be returning to work on a part-time basis (3 days a week).

Enjoy your weekend—remember to come back on Monday next week!

Learning in Explorers class

This week has been a really busy week for Explorers class. Year 1 have been writing their own narrative stories linked to their story for this term, 'The Storm Whale'. The children have been using a variety of different sentence openers to make their writing fluid and engaging. Explorers have been so proud of their writing this week that they have been reading their stories to their fellow peers and Mr Hale with confidence. Year 1 have engaged well with learning all kinds of different wild and wonderful facts about sea creatures so far this term and continue to learn more for the rest of this term.



Learning in Astronauts class

Year 2 are learning about Judaism this term. They have made some fantastic tea-stained Torah scrolls. They added a prayer onto the scrolls that were personal to them. Next Friday we will be observing Shabbat and sharing some challah bread along with grape juice. The children have been learning a Jewish song to share as a class during our Shabbat celebration. Next term we are hoping to visit the synagogue in Chatham to learn more about Judaism, the similarities, and differences to Christianity.



Big Help Out!

Part of the coronation celebrations included the bank holiday Monday being the Big Help Out day. Thank you so much to the 16 volunteers organised by Robin, our school governor, who came along and spent the day planting trees! Even children got involved on their extra day off school:



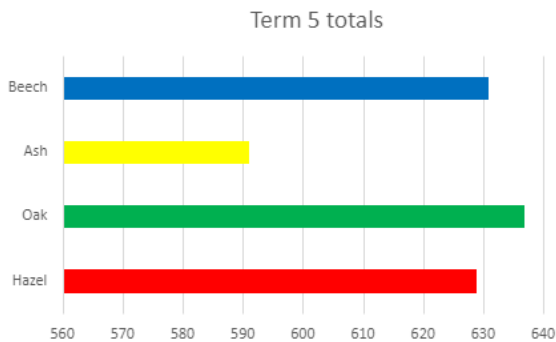
They managed to plant about 250 trees and created new hedges and birch spinney.

A very special mention to Jacob and Harrison who were really helpful along with mum and dad. They planted loads of trees and Jake and Harrison watered all the trees in.

House Points

Well done to Beech House for this week's win with 152 points! Closely followed by both Hazel and Oak on 147 then Ash with 139. Oak are slightly ahead for the termly win but there is still another week to go!

Running termly total			
Hazel	Oak	Ash	Beech
629	637	591	631



Achievement Award



Well done to this week's recipients for showing the value of Hope are:

Creators: Valen
Explorers: Bonnie
Astronauts: Poppy
Inventors: Nathan
Adventurers: Erin
Voyagers: Sonny D
Ambassadors: Whole class

Next week's value is: Compassion

Our Collective Worship focus next week will be Humility.

Diary Dates

Please note that all events and dates listed below are accurate at the time of printing this newsletter, but, could be subject to change in the future.

- 15.05.23 Key Stage 1 SATs Week
- 26.05.23 Break The Rules Day (PTA)
- 19.05.23 Hazel House Charity Day
- 26.05.23 Last Day of Term 5
- 05.06.23 Staff Training Day—school closed to pupils
- 06.06.23 First day of Term 6
- 16.06.23 Special Someone Gifts (PTA)
- 27.06.23 Sports Day
- 07.07.23 School Disco (PTA)
- 14.07.23 End of Year Reports Sent out
- 19.07.23 Last day of Term 6 (School Ends at 1.15 p.m.) NO CLUBS

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Development Day 1 01.09.23

Development Day 2 25.09.23

Term 1 04.09.23– 20.10.23

Development Day 3 30.10.23

Term 2 30.10.23—15.12.23

Development Day 4 02.01.24

Term 3 03.01.24–09.02.24

Term 4 19.02.24—28.03.24

Term 5 15.04.24—24.05.24

Development Day 5 03.06.24

Term 6 04.06.24—23.07.24

CHOIR REHEARSAL DATES:

No choir in Term 5 due to SATS

Term 6 rehearsals 9th June - 14th July 8:15.

Upcoming statutory assessments

A reminder that for Year 2, their End of Key Stage 1 SATs will also be taking place w/c 15th May over two weeks. Beyond this, we have the Year 4 Multiplication Check w/c 5th June and the Year 1 Phonics Check w/c 12th June.

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