



Platt Primary News

Issue 5 Term 6



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

Friday 14th July 2023

Dear Parents, carers and friends,

Our final full week in school of the academic year and we have not stopped!

We were treated to an amazing Musical Soiree on Tuesday evening. A huge well done to our singers and musicians—they did a flawless job of performing and left us all very impressed. Thank you to Mrs Byfield for supporting the event and the choir and to Mrs Jeffrey for her work with the musicians. We look forward to more next year!

Thursday was our whole school transition day including our new entrants who join us in September. They did amazingly well for their first experience of school. All other year groups had a great day getting to be in their new classrooms.

Last Friday, lots of children came along to the disco and had great fun. Thank you to the PTA for running the event and to the staff who gave up their evening to stay.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for being so welcoming to me since I began at Platt and especially since taking up post as Headteacher. I look forward to next year and to continuing to build strong opportunities for your children here.

I would also like to thank the children. It has been a wonderful year and they are all amazing, polite and kind.

Finally, I would like to thank the staff team. Working in a school can be extremely hard. Research shows teachers and school leaders make more decisions in a day than a brain surgeon! I get to see first hand the hard work they put in each day and without them, Platt would not be the caring, vision-focused school that it is. I am sure you will all join me in thanking them and wishing them a restful and peaceful summer.



Second-hand Book Sale

Lila in Year 6 will be selling books at pick up on Monday 17th July to help raise funds for the Scout trip. The perfect time to grab a great book for the summer holidays!



Farewell Year 6!

Year 6 have had an action-packed term after 5 terms of hard work for SATS. We've continued to learn in a variety of contexts: team work and resilience in our weekly Tiger Troop sessions; problem solving and the environment in Forest School; history and facing the future at Rochester Cathedral; music, dance and performance in our production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream."



We've enjoyed several trips to St Mary's Church to climb the tower (see photo of the amazing view), entertain the members of Cafe Platt with our singing and watercolour skills, and finally hosting a day of Prayer Stations for the whole school focusing on the world, Ukraine, and remembering Stephen Lawrence and praying for an end to racism. Next Wednesday we look forward to our leavers' service in church. I am sure there will be a few tears!



We've had visits from Ben Bullen who hosted an "Everyone's a Winner" afternoon and inspired us not to let mistakes or disappointments stop us from realising our dreams. Our chair of governors David gave us a very similar message when he visited - be prepared, be brave and have a go at scary things. This week, Mr Byfield and Mr Habib have been coaching us in our cricket skills and we then had a 16 over match which was closely fought. We baked

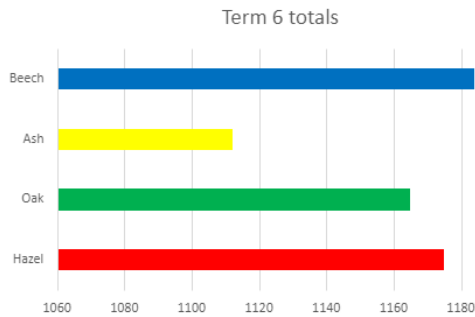


our own cricket tea in the morning and are excellent scone makers (but might need practice in making our Year 7 sandwiches!). Many of us performed as soloists or members of the choir in our recent musical soiree.

We have had such a wonderful last term here at Platt and have made memories which we hope will last a very long time. We may be going on to many different schools but we will always remember being in Ambassadors Class.



House Point



Oak took the win this week with 195 points. Well done!

Hazel: 180

Beech: 192

Ash: 162

The winning House for this term are **Beech** and they will have an extended play on Monday.

The House that won the most terms this year are: **OAK**

They will have an extra play in the afternoon on Tuesday with ice poles courtesy of our hardworking, wonderful PTA.

A big thank you to our volunteers

Thank you to the volunteers who come in weekly to hear readers and support the school. If anyone is thinking of volunteering, please do get in touch in September.

A message from our caterer

Hello parents/ carers,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your support from Contract Dining. I'm Gemma the cook manager. I have had the most wonderful time at Platt school, all your children are amazing. I would like to wish all of year 6 the very best for the future, and I will miss their cheeky banter. I look forward to meeting the new reception class in September and watching them grow. Thank you to one and all for your support to Contract Dining and I look forward to seeing your children in September.

Have a lovely summer.

Gemma

Contract Dining Cook Manager.

Diary Dates

19.07.23 Last day of Term 6 (School Ends at 1.15 p.m.)

2023-2024

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

Mrs Smith and the school team

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Goodbye and Good Luck!

Ambassadors



Staff

All the best to Mrs Byfield, Mrs Adrian, Mrs Miller-Hannah and Miss Burbage. We wish you all the very best in your next move and thank you for your hard work and dedication.

Thank you to Mr Habib for teaching Year 3 this term.

**We look forward to seeing you all again on
September 4th 2023!**