

St White's Primary School

Challenge Commit Conquer and Celebrate



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Welcome to our mid-May edition of the newsletter. Huge congratulations to Year 6 who have finished their SATS tests! Well done to all the pupils for all for their hard work, and to Miss Cinderey and Mr Jones too! Also a huge thank



you to all the staff who helped administer the tests and the governors and volunteers who came in to invigilate. The test papers have been safely sent off for marking and we will have the results in early July.

Lots of Year 6 are off on their residential adventure to Ullswater in the Lake District next week – we hope you all have a fabulous time. Next it is Year 2's turn for their SATS – which will take place all next week. They have been practicing for a long time for these tests and we know they will give it their best.

Welcome!



We are really pleased that Donna Sheen has joined the office team and will be full time from next week. Lots of you have spoken to her already and we know she is going to be amazing!

Diary Dates

16th-20th Year 2 SATS tests all week
16th-20th Year 6 Residential all week
16th-20th Mental Health Awareness Week
20th – Wear Something Green for Mental Health
24th & 25th EYFS and Year 6 Nurse checks
25th KS1 Dean Heritage Trip
27th Jubilee Celebration
29th – 3rd June Half term holiday
6th June – school starts
6th – 10th June Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks
16th Aspirations Morning

Happy birthday to the children (and staff) who will be celebrating birthdays in the second half of May: Summer, Maddison, Emily W, Lacie H, Connie, Maya R, Miah, Aiden, Jonah, Clark, Rory S, Libby, George W, Finley H, Emily T, Nate, Eli, Mrs Cook, Mrs Saddington, Miss Fishpool, Mr Hayward, Mrs Saddington, and Mrs Smith



Sports Competitions

On Tuesday 3rd May twelve Year 5 and 6 pupils represented the school at the panathlon bowling event at Tenpin Gloucester. The children had a



great time coming runners up and they thoroughly enjoyed their bowling. Well done.

Mental Health Awareness Week Next week 16th – 20th May is Mental Health Awareness Week and there will be classroom activities and assemblies for the children in school. On Friday 20th May we are inviting everyone to wear an item of clothing that is green alongside their normal school uniform.

Aspirations Morning Thursday 16th June 2022
Thank you very much to everyone who has volunteered to join us on this morning. Thanks to the fantastic response from parents and family members, we now have enough people already to be able to run the morning and do not need any more volunteers. We are looking forward to it already!

Charity Committee News! Thank you to everyone who came to our Plant Sale – we raised over £90 to go towards purchasing a special tree to commemorate Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.



Eco Committee News

The Eco Committee have been working hard to help achieve our Eco Award target of encouraging more wildlife into school and you may have spotted our new bird boxes, bird tables and planters for our seeds. Skylark also had a lovely time on the allotment this week.



If you are doing anything at home to encourage wildlife, we'd love to see it and share it to our Eco Padlet. Please email me at Skylark@st-whites.gloucs.sch.uk

History Lessons in KS1 Pupils in Key Stage One this week have experienced first-hand what it was like to go to school in the Victorian era. Their teachers had great fun pretending to be super strict and the children learnt all about the different rules that were in classrooms in the



1800s, including having to sit up straight and only speaking when spoken to. The pupils reflected on their experience and most of them decided that they would definitely prefer to go to St White's today than in the Victorian era!

Jubilee Celebration Plans

We are really excited to share with you our plans for Jubilee Celebrations on Friday 27th May. We will put all the details into a separate letter next week as there is a lot to tell you!

Children will have a late lunch and this will be a traditional "street party" in the KS2 playground. The whole school will go out to play first and then sit at long tables for their lunch. The school

kitchen can provide packed lunches or children can bring their own and there will be extra food provided by the PTFA. There will be entertainment,

activities, fun and games. The school gates will open at 1.10 and everyone is invited to join us for the afternoon – parents, carers, family, friends and the community. Bring your own picnic, and the PTFA will run a cake stall too. It will be a non-uniform day and we are inviting everyone to dress from a decade of Her Majesty's reign – so anywhere from 1950's to the present day. We can't wait to see what you find at the back of your wardrobes!



Children's news

Here is a picture of Alfie from Kingfisher class competing at Lucas Oil Kids R Us Championship this month! Wow, what an amazing hobby!



Speech House Jubilee Fair

There will be a Jubilee Street Party and Craft Fair at The Speech House Hotel on Friday the 3rd June 2022, a flyer for the event is attached with this newsletter.

Forest Pulse Queens Party project

Forest Pulse have been awarded funding for their inclusive dance, drama and crafts sessions to work on exciting projects for the Queen's Party! Flyer attached for anyone who wants to join in!

Half Term food vouchers

For pupils entitled to benefits-based Free School Meals the County Council are offering food vouchers for the half term holidays – there is no Activity Program for half term. If you are already registered for the vouchers you do not need to do anything.

Reminder from the PTFA – there is a collection point for clothing down by Buckshaft Road which is there for everyone to use – every time it is filled the PTFA receives a donation!

Photography Competition

Here are a couple of pictures of local landmarks submitted by Miss Blake



Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust Here is a link to Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust website – they have some activities and interesting places to visit locally [Home | Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust](#)

Next Newsletter – Our next newsletter will be published on Friday 27th May. If there are any achievements or any other celebrations you want to share with everyone, we will be very pleased to feature your child in the next newsletter. Please email admin@st-whites.gloucs.sch.uk by Monday 23rd May 2022.



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