



# HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Dear Parents / Carers,

Wow what a term! Short but most definitely action packed, culminating in our wonderful swimming lessons which the Year 5 & 6 children have loved!

The penultimate week of term saw our cross-country running team compete in the annual relay tournament. Everyone, once again ran brilliantly. It also saw the league presentations, which saw a great league finish (just waiting to confirm the final position) and celebration of some fantastic individual performances, with Evie F finishing 3<sup>rd</sup>, Max G finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> and Hannah G winning the league with a perfect season of 3 wins in 3 races.

After Easter we are making a few changes to break and lunch times, with the reintroduction of KS1 and KS2 playtimes separately. Lunch will have a significant stagger with EYFS and KS1 at lunch from 11.45-12.45 and KS2 from 12.30-1.30. We feel this will give us more space to play and enjoy lunchtime even more.

Mr Garner

In Year 3 this half term, we have been loving our new science topic, plants. Over the past few weeks we have been conducting an observation over time, to find out which factor has the greatest impact on a plant's growth. I think the results speak for themselves!



In topic, we have been exploring the lives of those from the Windrush generation, through a comparison of the Caribbean to the UK, immersion in given characters and even writing a persuasive advert for the trip! It has been really brilliant to see children thinking so reflectively about the experiences of these people and sharing their views with one another.



The children from our Pen Pal club had a lovely afternoon last week with their pen pals at Bickerton House care home. Not only did they enjoy an Easter egg hunt and some games, they also got to spend time talking to their pen pals. It's been a couple of months since our last visit and although the children and residents write to each other weekly it was lovely for both parties to be able to catch up in person.



## Diary Dates



First day of term Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April

Reception trip to Bucklebury Farm  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

No clubs w/c 15<sup>th</sup> April

Clubs start W/C 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Parent course (anxiety) led by Inge  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> April 1pm – 3pm

Y6 Cake Sale Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Y3 Egyptian Day Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May

End of term Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

## Weekly Attendance

Whole school attendance:	95%
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Top class for attendance:	Crossbill & Kite
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Fantastic attendance from Crossbill & Kite last week with 98% attendance – well done! Our whole school attendance is the same as the previous week's figure.

## Reminders

- Club bookings opens Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March.
- Clubs start w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> April
- Please do not let your children play with the Y1 toys before/after school in the Y1 outside area
- Please ensure all uniform, water bottles etc are named
- Long hair must be tied back

