



Newsletter 26 – 26th April 2019

We are assertive while still showing kindness and respect to each other.

Diary Dates

All Extra-Curricular Clubs Begin Sycamore Class Cake Sale Grow a Pound Hand in Date (see below) FoCP Meeting – all welcome May Day Bank Holiday KS2 SATs Week Pedestrian Training Y5 Arts Week End of Term 5 Start Term 6 Swimming Block Sessions (Y5/6 who are working towards 25m) Art Exhibition Courtney K Year 6 Residential Visit Sports Day and Family Picnic (from about 9:30am) End of School Year	Week beg: 29th April Thursday 2nd May @ 3:15pm Friday 3 rd May Friday 3rd May @ 3.15pm Monday 6 th May Week beg: 13th May Tuesday 14 th May Week beg: 20th May Friday 24 th May Monday 3rd June Week beg; 3 rd June Tuesday 11th June Thursday 13 th June Week beg: 17th June Wednesday 3 rd July (NB Date Change) Tuesday 23rd July
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INSET DAYS 2019-20

Monday 2nd September, Tuesday 3rd September, Friday 25th October, Friday 14th February, Monday 20th July 2020

Headteacher's News

Welcome to Term 5. How the year is flying by!

I just wanted to summarise what happens with assessments in the last two terms of the school year.

Term 5 is the time when the government asks schools to carry out their statutory assessments. So, during May, we will have Year 2 KS1 Tests and Year 6 KS2 Tests. For our younger children, we make them as low key as possible as they are used to *inform* the end of Year 2 attainment which is Teacher Assessment. For Year 6's, their attainment will be based on Maths, Reading and Grammar tests and Writing Teacher Assessment.

In Term 6, we have the Year 1 Phonics Screener and the final Teacher Assessment for our Reception children. The other year groups, will take NFER Tests in Maths, Reading and Grammar in order to get a personal standardised score within test conditions.

All of the outcomes of these assessments will be reported to you in each child's end of year report and used to inform teaching priorities for the last few weeks of this term.

In order to give the children their optimum chance to shine, here's how you can help and best support:

- send your child into school every day and on time – every lesson counts
- have a regular bedtime which is early enough to get enough sleep
- make sure breakfast is eaten and a water bottle is in school
- talk to your child positively and reinforcing their confidence
- make sure homework and reading is completed to a quality standard
- let the teacher know if there are any home events which may need an extra bit of TLC in school

And finally, I do hope that you will be able to support Sycamore class in their fundraising cake sale next Thursday by coming to buy a cake or three. Have a lovely weekend.

Deborah Wood

This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

Year R Cherry: Hubert K
 Year 1 Oak: Isabel H
 Year 2 Ash: Evelyn F
 Year 3 Lime: Dominik Z & Kamil S
 Year 4 Maple: Harry M
 Year 5 Sycamore: Ella-Mae W
 Year 6 Cedar: Finlay B

**Attendance Total 96.9%**

YR Cherry 94.3%
 Y1 Oak 97.0%
 Y2 Ash 97.4%
 Y3 Lime 98.0%
 Y4 Maple 97.8%
 Y5 Sycamore 96.8%
 Y6 Cedar 97.0%

**Multiplication Masters**

Cadi S, Lilly B, Dominik Z, Rhylee M, Sam K, Jayden S

**Reading Certificates**

Lillia B, Lilly B, Lily-Mai M, Madison H, Jessica G, Corey H, Rheo F, Rhys I, Millie C, Eva R, Megan W, Megan A, Lily C, Indy M, Hubert K, Ben R, Megan L, Kinga S, Aniyah C, Leia-Louise P, Freya M, Sarah V, Caiden H, William F, Kamil S, Dominik Z, Harry J, Katie D, Ruby G-M, Beatrice S, Mark W, Aiden H, Jack B, Oliver A, Eleanor R, Charlie G, Sam W, Oliver P, Grace S, Samantha P, Alexander C, Rosie T, Ella-Mae W, Kieshia B, Rhian M, Connor R, Dean H, Lily-Mae H, Caitlyn C, Shaya B

**Year 5 Charity Bake Sale (written by Sycamore class)**

We would like to inform you that we are having a charity Y5 bake sale and the whole school is invited. We are doing it to raise money for a memorial bench for our wonderful friend Sorayah. It will take place at 3:15 on Thursday the 2nd of May 2019. It will take place on the bottom playground next to the library.

We will be serving many cakes such as; muffins, cookies, biscuits, flapjacks and many more. If you or your family have any allergies that you think will come in the cakes, we will list the ingredients of what we have made. There will also be gluten free options available.



We would love for you to come to raise money for our beautiful memorial of our amazing and loving friend Sorayah.

Thankyou,
 Yours sincerely, Year 5

Closure of Gages Road Entrance – Thursday 2nd May

Next Thursday, 2nd May, the top playground will be being used as a polling station in local elections. The playground will be fenced off and it will be impossible to access the school from Gages Road and the top playground. Please use the Courtney Road entrance to drop off and pick up your children.

Matthew Fiddes Martial Arts

School started with gusto this week as all children took part in martial art classes provided by Matthew Fiddes. Matthew Fiddes are now renting out the school hall on Tuesday evenings for lessons. Your child should have come home with a leaflet and letter about these lessons.

REMINDER: Grow a Pound – Fundraising for The Children’s Hospice, South West

We hope you have all enjoyed making your pound ‘grow’ over the Easter holidays. We are looking forward to finding out how you have been raising money. There is still time to grow it some more (or even to start growing your pound if you did not have time in the Easter break). It is for a very worthwhile cause and there are prizes to be won!

Remember the money will need to be brought into school by **Friday 3rd May**.

Happy fundraising!

From the School Council



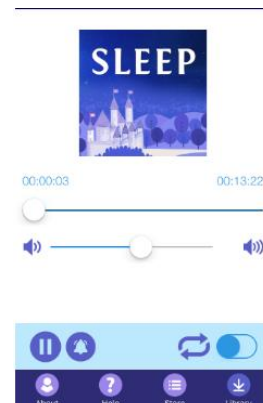
Sleep Meditations for Kids

£free, [Apple](#) and [Android](#)

If you have an anxious child who finds it hard to drop off at night, this meditation app is well worth trying. Designed by a yoga and Montessori teacher, it’s aimed at children aged 12 and under and can help with sleep issues, insomnia, stress and anxiety, as well as promoting feelings of wellbeing.

The free 13-minute meditation begins by encouraging your child to imagine their worries floating up into a big balloon then drifting away. It then progresses through a number of relaxing story settings, before guiding your child to relax each part of their body in turn. Subtle sound effects and gentle music add to the sense of calm.

There are also several other meditations available to download for £2.99 each, including Bedtime Meditations for Kids, Enchanted Meditations for Kids, and Mermaids and Fairy Dust.





“Reading is breathing in, writing is breathing out”

Nurture, Inspire, Flourish.

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