



Dear Parents/Carers,

Along with the rest of England, our Year 6 children have their Standard Attainment Tests (SATs) next week. The tests are each day next week - a reading paper, three maths papers, grammar and spelling. This is the first time in 3 years that the tests have been taken and will give us all an idea, across the country, of the impact of the lockdowns and restrictions on children's learning. You will not be surprised to hear that our children have worked extremely hard this year, not just to prepare for these tests, but to ensure that they are ready for moving to Year 7 in September. The vast majority of them had small group tutoring either in Year 5 or this year, they have read extensively and during lockdown, they were whizzes at online learning. They are an extremely conscientious, fun loving and positive group this year and we know that they will do their absolute best they can in these tests. A huge thanks to the children for their hard work and to the teachers for their dedication.



ANTI-BULLYING
FROM THE DIANA AWARD

On Tuesday, we hosted the Diana Award Anti-Bullying training for a

number of schools in the area. We had 15 children representing us at the training who were wonderful! They took part enthusiastically, voiced their views articulately and were complimented by many teachers in the other schools. Well done children - we are very proud of you and know you will do a great job in school!

Attendance is on the way up, with one class attaining 100% last week - hooray! Their class will receive a £10 Amazon



voucher from Mrs Bezdal to spend on something for the class. This is great news for children's learning as we know that each day missed is learning time that they will never get back. There are so many exciting events this term - school is too good to miss!

Have a super weekend and keep reading! Remember, each child who reads 150 times (or the equivalent of 5 times per week for most of the year) gets an ice cream!

Miss E. Dawson
Headteacher

Attendance



For the week ended 29th April 2022 there were 7 classes who achieved 97% attendance or above. Well done to Rabbits who achieved 100%. They will receive a £10 Amazon voucher to spend on something for their class and will look after Attendance Ted next week. We have a number of children who have medical conditions which mean that they have to have time off school for appointments and therefore their data is not included in these figures

Attendance figures:-

Class	Week
Chipmunks	98.3%
Dragonflies	95.0%
Butterflies	91.3%
Rabbits	100.0%
Ladybirds	94.7%
Robins	90.3%
Doves	98.9%
Owls	98.3%
Fireflies	99.0%
Bears	95.2%
Foxes	94.1%
Ants	93.8%
Sparrows	93.6%
Badgers	96.7%
Kestrels	98.5%
Squirrels	98.8%
Whole School	96.0%
Target	97.0%

Congratulations to this week's winners

RABBITS

Aspirational attendance target set for the school for 2021 - 2022 is: **97%**

Reading Scores

- 1st - Ants 97%
- 2nd - Foxes and Badgers 96%
- 3rd - Bears 88%

Well done Ants (please note that these scores run a week in arrears).

Census Day Fun Lunch - Thursday, 19th May 2022

We would like to advise that on Thursday, 19th May 2022 it is our 'School Census Day' when the Government requires us to send them information, which will determine our funding for the next academic year. On this day, the number of children taking school dinners is registered and our funding for school dinners for the future is calculated. In light of recent funding issues, it is imperative that as many children as possible in EYFS/KS1 have a dinner on this day and we thank you in advance for booking your child in. The menu will be:-

- Hot Dog/Veggie Hot Dog
- Potato Puffs
- Baked Beans
- Sweetcorn



- Mini Doughnuts with Chocolate Sauce

The meal is free for children in EYFS/KS1 and costs £2.30 for KS2 children payable via ePay from the day after.

May King, May Queen and the May Court

Last Friday was very exciting for the Year 2 and Year 6 children as they voted for who





they wanted to be May King, May Queen and the May Court in readiness for our May Day celebrations on Friday, 20th May 2022. The results were announced in assembly as follows:-

May King - Connor Harringley

May Queen - Heidi Wood

May Princes - Leo Field, Bear Norton, Teddy Thompson and Ethan Fitzmaurice

May Princesses - Annabelle Monk, Grace Honey, Isla Reeves and Poppy Ferdinando-Hemmings

Well done to you all - we are sure you will enjoy your special morning!

Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

On Tuesday, 15 Thundersley children participated in a training day led by the Diana Award to become Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. We were joined by several other schools as we were lucky enough to be the host school for this event. The day was full of learning, fun activities and campaign planning. The children were an absolute credit to Thundersley Primary School as they actively participated in all tasks and challenges set by the facilitators. Every child demonstrated confidence and courage when sharing their ideas and expressing their opinions on how to make the world a kinder place. The children worked incredibly well as a team to plan and organise their first campaign, which you will hear more about very soon. Miss Parmenter is extremely proud of our new Anti-Bullying Ambassadors and she is excited to see what positive changes they make at Thundersley Primary School. Tayfika Sara (Sparrows) gives her account of the day below:-



"It was really exciting as some of the other schools came to us as we were hosting it. It was really enjoyable and there were a lot of opportunities to get lots of badges for doing different activities. At the end, we planned to earn one of the badges. Our team were doing 'respect' and after lunch, we had a sticky note and we had to write compliments to each other and Cleo was helping us. There are 3 types of bullying - verbal, intended and physical. We learnt all the differences. We had 3 scenarios and we had to decide if it was verbal, intended or physical and what we would do. Everyone enjoyed it as it will help the schools to respect each other and that people aren't the same. I enjoyed the game where we had to find out about each other. If we could speak another language, we had to stand up and Cleo gave us a microphone. We had the choice of whether we wanted to speak in the microphone or not. I really liked it because we could hear everyone better. Cleo was really kind and the other lady was awesome too."

Earth Day Inspiration



We would like to congratulate Delilah Stone (Owls), Macey Robinson (Owls) and Harry Robinson (Butterflies) who decided to go litter picking last weekend after being inspired at school on Earth Day to help save the environment. As you can see

from the photographs, the children did an amazing job!



eSchools App



As you are aware, our main form of parent/carer communication is via the eSchools platform. Please download the app (free of charge), in order that any

messages we send you are not charged to the school. We thank you for your support.

Twitter

Please keep checking our Twitter feed for various updates/messages:-

@Thundersley_P_S

Breakfast Club & Treetops After School Club

We offer a Breakfast Club (7.45am to the start of school) and an After School Club called Treetops (3.15pm to 6.00pm) each day. If you are interested in a place for your child and would like more information, please speak to Mrs. Bezdel in the Green Building Offices.





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Honesty is the best policy!

We would like to congratulate the following for handing in money they found recently.

Lexi Slate (Squirrels)
Jack Dudley (Foxes)

Well done - you should be very proud of yourselves!

Stars of the Week

Year 5:- Frankie Bullen and Oscar Muscat



Year 4:- Grace Parmenter and Olivia Collins

Year 3:- Ivy Cook, Henry Frost and Sophie Axford

Year 2:- Harley Punt and Jacob Nevill

Year 1:- Evie Betts and Renley Baker

EVFS:- Mila Clarke-Harris and Rex Bilkey

Playground Stars of the Week

Isla Church, Louie Tucker, Tom Clayton, Henry Painter, Ella Sewell, Charlotte Onsloe, Skylar Player, Elsie Thompson, Priya Lee, Logan MacKenzie, Luna Thomas and Freddie Burr

House Point Scores

The weekly scores for the House Point groups are:-

1st with 3,812 points - Red Arrows
2nd with 3,497 points - Blue Dolphins
3rd with 3,240 points - Green Dragons
4th with 2,837 points - Golden Eagles



Well done Red Arrows!

Please note that the Stars of the Week, Playground Stars of the Week and House Point Scores run a week in arrears.



Uniform Shops

We would like to advise that we now have two uniform shops as follows:-

Penn UK,
15-17 Kents Hill Road,
South Benfleet,
Essex, SS7 5PN.

Telephone:- 01268 751724

www.pennuk.com

Danielle's Uniform,
Claydons Lane,
Rayleigh,
Essex, SS6 7UP.
Telephone 01268 967542

www.daniellesshop.co.uk

Community News

Mega Camps - May Half Term and Summer Holidays 2022

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

Mega Camps - Recruitment

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

Future Term Dates

30/05/22 to 03/06/22 - Whitsun Break
21/07/22 - Last day of Term

05/09/22 - Start of Autumn Term
24/10/22 to 28/10/22 - Half Term
21/12/22 to 04/01/23 - Christmas Break
05/01/23 - Start of Spring Term
13/02/23 to 17/02/23 - Half Term
03/04/23 to 14/04/23 - Easter Break
17/04/23 - Start of the Summer Term
01/05/23 - Bank Holiday
29/05/23 to 02/06/23 - Whitsun Break
21/07/23 - Last day of Term

****NON PUPIL DAYS****

06/06/22
07/06/22