

Thursday 26 May 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

As we find ourselves at the end of the first summer half term, I cannot quite believe that we have nearly completed another academic school year! Thank you for your continued support this term. It has been another busy 6 weeks during which most year groups have been on a school trip or experienced an in school workshop. Years 6 and 2 have also sat the first SATS tests since 2019 and their conduct during the process is to be commended.

### What have each year been up to?

#### EYFS

This half term the EYFS children have been working on the topic of 'going places'. They have focused on Australia, France and London, and learnt all about different cultures and communities, animals, food, travel and foreign languages. The children have especially enjoyed learning about London and the Royal Family, ready for the Queen's Jubilee celebrations.



## Year 1

Children in Year 1 will be starting their new topic next term 'A Day in the Life'. To launch the topic, Year 1 visited Godstone Farm to have 'A Day in the life of a farmer'. The children learnt lots about the different types of animals and how to look after them.



## Year 2

Year 2 have been learning about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. The children had a great day at the "hospital" where they had x-rays taken, carried out triage on patients and completed admission forms for their patients.





### Year 3

Pupils in Year 3 have been learning about Ancient Greece and how the Olympics began. They held a Greek Olympics and competed in teams in a variety of sports. They also took part in archery and were taught how to shoot safely and accurately.



### Year 4

Pupils in Year 4 have been studying the Ancient Egyptians. They enjoyed learning about the civilization and dressed up to launch the topic. They have also been learning all about the digestive system and are currently investigating the effects of sugar on teeth!



## Year 5

Year 5 have been learning about Vikings and Anglo Saxons, as well as Living Things and their Habitats. They visited Deptford Creekside Discovery Centre to conduct field work.



## Year 6

This half term saw a huge effort from Year 6 as they worked really hard towards their SATS. All pupils showed true resilience during the SATS week, and as a reward, earned a well deserved trip to Chessington.



## **Lollipop Lady**



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We are delighted to welcome Lollipop Lady Jane to the Old Bexley community. Jane will be on patrol every day outside the school when we return after half term.



### **Additional Day Off**

The school's Trust, Amadeus Primary Academy Trust, have arranged a day off in lieu of the additional Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday during the half term. Monday 6 June is being offered by the Trust as an extra day off. School therefore starts back after half term on Tuesday 7 June.

### **Platinum Jubilee**

We celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in school on Wednesday 25 May. Over the course of this half term, the children have been learning about the impact of the Queen's 70 years on the throne and yesterday was a chance to honour her reign!

The afternoon stayed mostly dry which meant that everyone could enjoy various activities, dancing and a picnic on the school field. There was lots of flag waving, crown making and wearing, as well as singing of the National Anthem. The field was dressed in bunting made by the children and the Queen made a guest appearance (albeit in cardboard form!).

All children in the school received a Platinum Jubilee commemorative keyring donated by the PTA.

Additionally, a commemorative tree will be planted later in the year (when the planting conditions are more suitable) and a painted stone project will be unveiled.

We hope your child enjoyed the day!

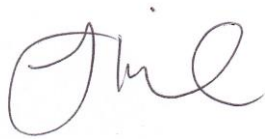


### Dates for your diary

Tuesday 7 June	Term starts
Friday 10 June @ 9.30am	Year 6 Sports Day
14-16 June	PTA Circus event
Friday 17 June	PTA Father's Day gift sale
Monday 20 June 2.30-4.30pm	Years 2 and 6 Celebration of Learning
Tuesday 21 June 2.30-4.30pm	Years R, 3 and 5 Celebration of Learning
Thursday 23 June	Years 1 and 4 Celebration of Learning
Wednesday 29 June @ 1.30pm	Year 2 Sports Day
Thursday 30 June @ 10am	Year 1 Sports Day
Friday 1 July @ 10am	EYFS Sports Day
Monday 4 July @ 1.30pm	Year 5 Sports Day
Tuesday 5 July @ 10am	Year 3 Sports Day
Tuesday 5 July @ 1.30pm	Year 4 Sports Day
Saturday 9 July	PTA Summer Fair
Monday 11 July @ 9.15am	Year 5 Parent Meeting: Transition to Year 6
Monday 11 July @ 2.30pm	Year 4 Parent Meeting: Transition to Year 5
Tuesday 12 July @ 9.15am	Year 2 Parent Meeting: Transition to Year 3
Tuesday 12 July @ 2.30pm	Year 3 Parent Meeting: Transition to Year 4
Thursday 14 July @ 9.15am	Year 1 Parent Meeting: Transition to Year 2
Friday 15 July @ 9.15am	Reception Parent Meeting: Transition to Year 1 All year group reports issued
Tuesday 19 July	Transition day – children meet their new teacher
Friday 22 July @ 1.30pm	End of term

I wish you all a happy and relaxing half term and look forward to welcoming the children back on **Tuesday 7 June.**

Warm regards



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