

Newsletter - 17th May 2024

Our Learning



In Brambles Class, the children are really starting to secure their knowledge of the Chapter 3 digraphs. In phonics this week they were getting up and active whilst word building. The children have also been making the most of the nicer weather using their outdoor classroom at every opportunity and growing potato plants!

During Welly Walk this week, Brambles were very excited to study and explore a real bird's nest brought in by one of the pupils!

In Music Lessons with Mrs Martin, Oak Class have been learning how musical instruments can tell a story. They have also been exploring lots of techniques for printing and mosaics in their art lessons with Mrs Glover, our trainee teacher. The results have been quite stunning!

In Forest School this week, Year 5 had a fabulous den building competition! We are not sure who enjoyed it more, the children or Mrs Hothi!

Our Year 6 pupils have been utterly incredible this week during their SATs exams. We are so proud of how mature and sensible they have been all week and we are really looking forward to some exciting adventures with them over the coming weeks! Well done Year 6! You are superstars!











Another amazing Art lesson with Mrs Glover.



The children loved scoring lines to recreare their maps on the polystyrene and then using this to print.

In Art this week Mrs Glover and the children have created their own stained glass window using mosaic Art.

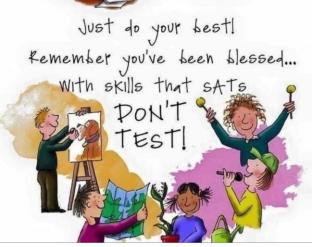






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Trips and Experiences



On 24th April, Oak Class took part in the Cricket Festival with other schools and thoroughly enjoyed themselves! They were a credit to the school!

On Wednesday 15th May, Brambles had a fantastic time at the Early Years Multi Skills Festival at Westacre Middle School in Droitwich. The children explored 7 different activities and had lots of fun!







Well done Oak Class! You were a credit to Sytchampton.

Recruitment



We have now appointed a lady called Deanna Robbins to cover Mrs Lawson's Maternity Leave. Mrs Robbins has already been working with the children in Oak Class to help with the transition.

We are pleased to say, that Miss Halligan, who was only due to spend one day covering Willow Class on Monday, has agreed to stay and cover Willow Class for the remainder of the Summer Term. Miss Halligan is an experienced teacher and a great fit for our school, so we are delighted that she has agreed to stay with us as this will give the children some consistency over the coming weeks.

Miss Ballard, who supports children with additional needs in Brambles Class, has been successful in securing a position as a Room Leader in a local nursery, which is a great step up for her career. We are delighted for her, but very sad that she will be leaving us after half term. We are already advertising her role.

Miss Evans, who supports children with additional needs in Willow Class, has been successful in passing all of the recruitment phases to become a paramedic, which has always been her dream. Again, we are so pleased for her and we are sure that she will be brilliant at the job! She will be staying with us until the end of the Summer Term, and again, we are advertising her post currently.

We are very aware that there is a lot of change and uncertainty at this point in time, but please be reassured that we are doing everything we can to make the transition as smooth as possible.

Seesaw and Class Dojo



We have recently received a renewal quote from Seesaw, the cost of which has increased significantly. We have therefore decided to cancel our subscription with Seesaw and will be moving, instead, to a different online learning platform called Class Dojo.

The changeover will take place on 31st May 2024.

In preparation for this, we have already set up our classes and are assigning teaching staff to each class.

In order for you to be able to access Class Dojo and see what your child/children are learning in school/access messages please watch the attached video link:

class dojo for parents - Google Search

Your child's code and instructions for how to access Class Dojo were sent home a couple of weeks ago, and we have sent reminders to parents who are not yet signed up this week.

Whilst we have sent one copy of the code per child, you are able to share the invite with other family members/parents/carers once you have signed up.

We will then be using Class Dojo and not Seesaw from 1st June 2024.

PE Challenge



Our PE challenges for this month are below! If you manage to do it, please do send us photographs on Seesaw! Miss Field would love to see them!

The challenge for May is:

May – How many squat jumps can you do in a minute?



PTA



The PTA are now planning the following events, so keep the dates free in your diaries!

May Afternoon tea event – Friday 24th May

Father's Day – gifts in Monday 10th June & wrap Wednesday 12th June

Quizz and Fizz Night - 21st June

Summer Event – Sytch Extravaganza Friday 19th July





Barnabee Tea



Brambles

Harper always sees the good in all situations. She is everyone's biggest supporter and always wants her friends to succeed. Well done, Harper.

- Oak
- Year 1- Lucy Slack for her excellent determination and self-belief in her Maths work. Well done!
- Year 2- Fagan Wood for his excellent Maths work. Keep it up!
 - Willow Class
- Year 3 William Barbell for his determination to improve in every lesson
- Year 4 Sophie Pearse for her improved self belief
 - Elm Class

Year 5 - Harry Watson for an outstanding week academically last week with respectful and kind behaviour.

Year 6 - Gethin Gould for showing real determination in his lessons in preparation for SATs.

Diary Dates



Please see attached the most up to date diary dates for this term. We have had to amend the Sports Day date due to car park booking requirements. Please be mindful that dates may be subject to some change. Please remember that we will also ensure that our calendar on the website is regularly updated.

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Summer Term Dates 2024

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Monday 8th April	School re-opens to pupils			
Wednesday 10 th April	1.30pm New Building Grand Opening			
Thursday 11th April	Willow Class Tudor World Trip (All Day)			
Friday 12 th April	2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents welcome)			
Wednesday 17 th April	3.15pm KS2 SATS Parent Drop In Q&A Session (Elm Class)			
	Willow Class First Swimming Session			
Friday 19th April	Oak Class Bodenham Aroboretum Trip (All Day) Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea			
Monday 22 nd April				
Tuesday 23 rd April	KS1 Maternity Cover Interviews (All Day) Willow Class Bellboating (All Day)			
Wednesday 24th April				
Friday 26th April	KS1 Cricket Festival (tbc)			
Tuesday 30th April	2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents Welcome)			
	2pm Parent Voice Meeting			
Wednesday 1st May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group			
Thursday 2 nd May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group			
Friday 3 rd May	8.30am Year 6 SATS Booster Group			
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Tuesday 7th May	BANK HOLIDAY (School Closed)			
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Tuesday 14 th May	Year 6 KS Reading SATS			
Wednesday 15 th May	Year 6 KS2 Maths SATS Papers 1 and 2			
Thursday 16 th May	Year 6 KS2 Maths SATS Papers 1 and 2 Year 6 KS2 Maths SATS Paper 3			
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Summer Term Dates 2024

Wednesday 10 th July	Willow Class Bellboating Regatta (All Day) 1.30pm KS2 End of Year Performance (TBC) 5.30pm KS2 End of Year Performance (TBC)		
Friday 12 th July	End of Year Reports (including KS1 Phonics Score, Year 4 MTC Score) out to parents RAGs to Riches Textile Collection Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea		
Monday 15 th July	2.30pm Year 5 Blazer Ceremony (TBC)		
Tuesday 16 th July	09.15am – 11.30am Reserve Sports Day (TBC) Open The Book Assembly		
Wednesday 17 th July	2.00pm Year 6 Leavers Celebration		
Friday 19 th July	PTA Sytch Extravaganza		

Attendance



Thank you so much to everyone for making a big effort to be in school. We really want to make the most of every opportunity to help your child reach their full potential, so by ensuring that they are in school, you will be supporting us in achieving this. Please refer to the Attendance Policy on our school website.

Attendance Breakdown Between 04/09/2023 and 16/05/2024

© Group	Present inc. AEA	Authorised Absence	Unauthorised Absence
0	97.99	1.5	0.5
1	97.54	22	0.26
2	95.36	3.91	0.74
3	97.04	2.44	0.53
4	96.79	2.65	0.56
5	96.6	2.44	0.95
6	96.24	2.78	0.98
Brambles	97.99	1.5	0.5
Oak	96.3	3.17	0.53
Willow	96.93	2.53	0.54
Elm	96.42	2.61	0.96
Whole School	96.79	2.55	0.66

West Mercia Police Survey

West Mercia Police recognise that there are members of the community that do not feel heard, taken seriously, and in some cases, neglected. The aim of this community questionnaire is to encourage feedback from the members of the local community on how West Mercia can improve our communication channels in the most efficient and effective way. This will revolve around a questionnaire which will be provided through the link below, the questions are aimed at gathering feedback and suggestions for improvement.

This should only take a few minutes depending on your answers.

https://online1.snapsurveys.com/ym9s8x

Many Thanks for taking the time to read this message and hopefully clicking on the link.

Senior PCSO Iain Sweatman

