



Sytchampton Primary School – Summer Term Newsletter

Friday 14th June 2024

Happy Friday! Welcome back to the last half-term of this academic year! This half term is always so bitter-sweet for us as a team. We witness the children flourishing with the extra opportunities this half term holds, starting to look and act like they are already in the year above, we reflect on the year as we prepare the children's annual reports and marvel at their individual progress. However, it is also the half-term when we help prepare our Year 6 children for the next stage in their education and we all reflect on memories happily made over the days, weeks, months, terms and years gone by.

A welcome to Mrs Brogan

As you are now aware, Mrs Richards may not be returning for rest of this half term so we are receiving support from Mrs Catherine Brogan. Please see her introduction below:

Dear Families,



I am delighted to introduce myself, and very excited to be offering some support to the team here at Sytchampton. I am currently the Deputy Headteacher of St Catherine's Primary School, a 420 place primary school in Kidderminster. I have been asked to support the school in Mrs Richards' absence and I join with all of you in wishing her well. Over the past few days, I have really felt what a lovely school this is with a very dedicated staff team. I am looking forward to getting to know all of the children and families. I will be around the school entrance most mornings, so please do come and say hello. Obviously, it is the staff team that know your children and the school's systems the best, so please continue to direct queries and questions to them, but if there is anything that I can help you with, please contact me via the school office.

Kindest regards

Catherine Brogan

Hello Class Dojo!

The changeover from Seesaw to Class Dojo took place on 31st May 2024. We hope you are enjoying our new platform and are beginning to get to grips with it. Keep an eye on Dojo for whole school, class updates and messages.

A message from 'Sports Crew'

We arrange sports activities and encourage our school to stay active. We love being active! One of our initiatives is that, if you are active, you can tick your active minutes off on a sheet, you may win a prize. We also give out wristbands to children who are active at lunchtime. We collect the wristbands in each day, so please leave them at school. Just so you don't worry, the wristbands will continue after the year 6 sports crew have left. We hope you enjoyed our update. STAY ACTIVE AND ENJOY!!!!!!!!!!!!!! (Written By Sports Crew)

Trips and Experiences

On Thursday 6th June Willow Class took part in a tennis tournament with other schools and did very well, coming third out of 9 teams. They missed out on 2nd place by only one point. Thank you to Mrs Robbins and Mrs Pugh for accompanying the class.



Wendy Simmons, local artist, joined us on Tuesday 11th June to inspire and lead soft-pastel workshops across the whole school. The children used the recent Aurora Borealis as their inspiration to experiment with colour, tone and in some cases, texture. Look out for our Art on our school socials.

Children in Year 5 and 6 also had their residential trip to The Pioneer Centre. The staff at Pioneer praised the children throughout the visit for their behaviour and attitude, stating that they were the nicest bunch so far this season. Every single child achieved more than they thought was possible, pushed their own personal limits and embraced the challenges. The children enjoyed a variety of activities, ranging from raft building, caving, zip-lining, abseiling, climbing, archery and more! Thank you to Mrs Oliver, Miss Waring and Miss Jane for their additional time and expertise navigating the first time some of these children have ever been away from home.



A New Addition to Our Sytchampton Family!

We are pleased to announce the safe arrival of Finn James Lawson! Finn arrived on the 30th May, Mrs Lawson and Finn are settled well at home with the rest of the family and are doing well.



Summer Term Dates 2024

Attached is the most up to date diary dates for this term. Please keep checking in with Class Dojo or the calendar on our website to ensure you have the most up to date information as dates can be subject to change. Class teachers will always try to alert you to timetable changes or additional events on Class Dojo.

Tuesday 19th June	09.00-10.00 EYFS Transition Morning (New parents and pupils) Open The Book Assembly
Monday 24th June to Friday 28th June	Assessment Week for all year groups except Year 6 (including optional KS1 SATS)
Thursday 27th June	Year 5 Taster Day @ Bishop Perowne

Friday 28th June	Parent Newsletter/Barnabee Tea
Monday 1st July	Whole School Transition Day EYFS Transition Session (New pupils) Paris Pursuit (All week PE Olympics link)
Tuesday 2nd July	09.15 – 11.30 Sports Day
Friday 5th July	2.30pm Celebration Assembly (Parents Welcome)
Tuesday 9th July	KS2 SATS Results
Wednesday 10th July	1.30pm KS2 End of Year Performance 5.30pm KS2 End of Year Performance
Friday 12th 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 15th July	2.30pm Year 5 Blazer Ceremony
Tuesday 16th July	09.15am – 11.30am Reserve Sports Day (TBC) Open The Book Assembly
Wednesday 17th July	2.00pm Year 6 Leavers Celebration
Friday 19th 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 for further information and advice.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend ahead.