



Be Kind, Be Honest, Be Confident, Be Respectful

NEWSLETTER – Friday 7th July 2023

Dear parents and carers,

What a busy week it has been at GWJS! On Monday, a group of Year 6 children spent the day taking part in an art event at Paston Church. Mrs Todd commented on how impeccably behaved and engaged the children were. Saul, who hosted this event also commented on how well-mannered the children were. I am very proud of our children who took part in this fantastic event, well done. On Tuesday, we welcomed our new Year 3 parents to George White and it was wonderful to see such a high parent turnout; our hall was packed! Yesterday parents and carers were invited in to school at the end of the day to look at the Design Technology learning the children have been working on this week. Thank you to those parents and carers who were able to pop in at the end of the day. Yesterday also saw some children taking part in the Heartsease athletics event. Thank you to Mr Cordeaux for organising another successful sporting event.

As mentioned in the newsletter last week, one of our school priorities for the year ahead is reading. Mrs Eaglen who is our English lead, has renamed our classes after some of the author names of the books your child will read next year. Our new classes are as follows:

Year 3

Lewis Class – Mrs Lincoln

Hughes – Miss Potter

Kitamura Class – Miss Ferguson

Year 4

Tan Class – Miss Webber

Pullman Class – Mr Cordeaux

Year 5

Almond Class – Mrs Cojoc

Ho-Yen Class – Mr Elias

Johnson Class – Mrs Waller

Year 6

Palacio Class – Miss Butterfant

Ness Class – Mrs Eaglen

Morpurgo Class – Mrs Fisher

SRB – Blake Class – Ms Collison

Next week is our transition week and yesterday, your child was told which class they are in next year and who their teacher will be.

We would like to wish our Year 6 children the best of luck as they spend time next week at their new high school. I would also like to welcome our new Year 3 children from Mousehold, we look forward to getting to know you.



OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK

YEAR 3

This week has been Design Technology week. We looked at foods around the world. We learned about the 5 climates of the world and which one of them certain foods needed to grow. We discussed why some foods cannot be grown well in the UK. We had fun chopping up different fruits to make kebabs: we really enjoyed tasting them. We also learnt about food grown in the UK and that some foods only grow in certain seasons although farmers can modify this, so they are available all year round. We used apples and topped them with a mixture of oats, flour, sugar and eggs to make crumble.



YEAR 4

This week Year 4 have been focusing a lot on Design Technology. They have worked together collaboratively, testing different types of biscuits and planning what they could add to their final biscuit and how it might appeal to their target audience. In addition to baking, testing and tasting (we had no objections to this) they also created packaging for their biscuit. I thought they all came up with some really imaginative ideas! Well done Year 4!

Thank you to those adults who were able to come and judge which group from each class won overall - we tried to make it as anonymous as possible! Any feedback is greatly welcomed.

Other learning highlights have been completing our modelled write of a historical diary entry in preparation for when Year 4 independently write their own based on a Roman banquet. Furthermore, they have begun to consolidate their learning in Maths and recap on certain areas such as fractions, decimals and time.



YEAR 5

This week, we delved deeper into the life of David Attenborough and found out more about his life before fame and how he transitioned into his role later in life. In math's, we learned how to convert between metric units and imperial units. We even managed to convert our heights from centimetres to feet and inches! In PE, we continued practicing and improving our batting and fielding in rounder's. Finally, in DT, we have been preparing and cooking pasta Bolognese! The children researched different Bolognese sauce recipes, identified key ingredients to make the sauce and found out what makes a meal healthy. We also had to chop up courgettes, carrots and peppers to add to our chopped tomatoes and basil leaves to create a delicious Bolognese sauce! You can see the children in action below! It has been a wonderful week full of exciting things!



YEAR 6

In English, we have been completing our non-chronological reports on the Himalayas. We have been using trigonometry to find the height of things as did the Victorian surveyors of Everest. We have also measured the height of the large false cypress in the playground at 7.3m by using homemade theodolites.

In Geography, we have looked at the price of fashion in the world and what air miles on food are.

In Science, children enjoyed science day by taking their fingerprints and trying to work out whose fingerprints were on various objects in class.

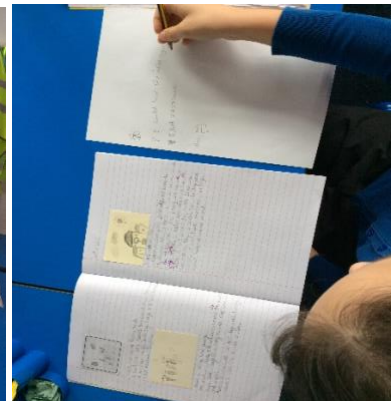
Children were very pleased to meet the author on Thursday and some bought her book!

We have enjoyed our times on the field and more games of rounder's. We have had our first Joseph dress rehearsal and the show is looking fantastic with children involved in every aspect: making props, acting, singing and performing. Well done everyone.



Apple Class

This week in Apple class we have been learning about how to sort and group. We used hoops to create a Venn diagram to sort ourselves by features such as hair colour. To help us with our fine motor skills, we have been balancing marbles on top of golf tees. It takes great concentration and a steady hand for this activity! In English, we have been continuing our fantastic work on diary entries and have been using pictures to remind us to include everything in our final piece of work. We had lots of partner talk time for this and shared our great ideas. Our cookery group baked delicious treats for everyone to share while we had a story to finish our week.



What's On

JULY 2023	
Monday 10 th July	Transition week begins for all children in years 2-5 (new years 3-6)
Monday 10 th July	2.30pm SEND café for any parent and carer who would like to talk Ms Connor or Mr Tolson our school SENCOs. This is taking place at MIANS
Tuesday 11 th July	10-11am Rock & Pop Music Assembly in the school hall. Parent and carer invites have already been sent out for those children taking part.
Tuesday 11 th July	Year 3 & 4 end of year disco from 3:20 – 4:45
Wednesday 11 th July	10-11am Rock & Pop Music Assembly in the school hall. Parent and carer invites have already been sent out for those children taking part.
Wednesday 12 th July	Year 5 end of year disco from 3:20-4:45
Friday 14 th July	Summer Fair from 3.15 on the school playground (weather permitting)
Monday 17 th July	End of year reports out to all parents and carers
Monday 17 th July	Joseph and the technicolour dream coat performance for parents and carers at 1.30pm
Wednesday 19 th July	Joseph and the technicolour dream coat performance for parents and carers at 5.30pm
Thursday 20 th July	Year 6 end of year Disco 3:20-4:45
Friday 21 st July	Whole school final assembly at 11:30am
Friday 21 st July	Year 6 leavers assembly – parents and carers of year 6 pupils invited from 2:30pm to watch
Friday 21 st July	Term ends at 3.20pm
September 2023	
Wednesday 6 th September	School year 23/24 begins from 8:40am