

# Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

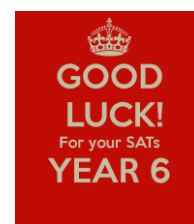


This week at school has been filled with learning, creativity, and fun activities. **Squirrels Class** enjoyed cooking flatbreads over the fire in Forest School and also participated in a Teddy Bear fashion show! **Ladybirds Class** have been using adjectives to describe their own imaginary animals, resulting in some unusual and interesting creations. **Bumblebees Class** had a successful walk in the local area, where they spotted human and physical features as part of their Geography lessons.



In **Hares Class**, the children brought newspaper articles to life using the 5 Ws of report writing. Meanwhile, **Foxes Class** have been busy using saws to cut wood for their bug hotels, and I can't wait to see the finished products. **Herons Class** have been choosing inspirational figures to write biographies about, planning and researching for some great pieces of writing.

**Kingfishers Class** have been preparing for their SATs tests next week but also enjoyed finishing their narrative writing linked to the film about Alma. We all wish the Kingfishers good luck in their SATs next week – you have worked so hard, and we are incredibly proud of you all.



## Sports Day – Wednesday 21 May

As mentioned in last week's Newsletter, sports day will look a bit different this year.

The children will take part in their class groups. As a class they will move to four different stations around the field and top playground. At each station the children can score points for their Houses by competing in each activity. There are 4 points for a win, 3 for 2nd, 2 for third and 4 for last place.

Each activity will last 12 minutes with 3 minutes to move around to the next one.

- **EYFS and KS1** will take part in their activities from **9.15 – 10.15am**.
- **The whole school** will gather for Sprint race finals at **10.20am**. (Heats for this will have taken place in school before Sports Day.)
- **KS2** will take part in their activities from **10.45 – 11.30am**.

Parents are warmly invited to come and watch the activities and the Sprint races. You will need to follow your child's class as they move from one activity to another.

Nursery children will take part in their Sports Day later in the year when the children are a little older. Date to be decided.

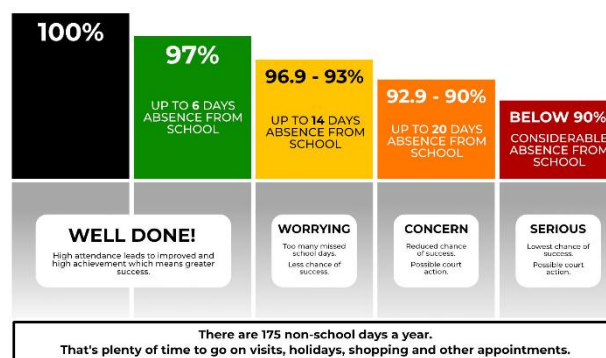
## Attendance Policy

You should have all received, this week, a copy of our revised Attendance Policy. We hope you have had a moment to look through this as a reminder of the importance of good attendance.

We always request that dentist, doctor, hospital appointments are not taken in school time as this is disruptive to both the child and class. Obviously, we understand that this is not always possible.

As usual, if you wish to take your child out of school for a holiday or event you will need to complete a 'Extended Leave' form. It is essential that this is done **before** the planned absence as authorisation cannot be done retrospectively. Thank you for your understanding in this important matter.

## WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE?



As always to it was fabulous to celebrate children who have been recognised for being great role models this week in our **Celebration Assembly**.

Date	Friday 9 May 2025
Squirrels	<b>Ozzie</b> for trying really hard to be ready and respectful all week.
Ladybirds	<b>Harry, Kit, Arthur L, Oliver P, Daisy and Daphne</b> for listening so carefully during music lessons and following instructions. They also kept a steady beat using the bamboo tamboo instruments and played difficult rhythms.
Bumblebees	<b>Scarlett</b> and <b>Jack</b> for using rich vocabulary to compose a beautiful piece of writing.
Hares	<b>Ellie</b> for always being considerate, polite and kind to those who need nurturing. Ellie is always ready to learn and eager to take on a challenge. <b>Clara</b> for showing respect by always listening to adults and children. <b>Theo, Danny, Ada D, Lincoln, Crosby, Oscar and Lolo</b> for showing such determination during sports day practice when having to learn to use a skipping rope they persevered and encouraged others even when they found it really tough.
Foxes	<b>Cosima</b> and <b>Henry</b> have been recognised for their enthusiasm for learning, especially in PE this week. They always listen to the instructions and complete the activities with determination. They remember to include the advice that has been given, for example use your arms when running to give you more power and speed.
Hérons	<b>Ella</b> has shown a great deal of strength and resilience recently. She has been taking excellent care of her mental health and is inspiring others in our class to take care of their mental health too. <b>Charlie</b> has shown such determination to succeed, even when faced with new challenges. She has a growth mindset, which really helps her to make progress in every lesson.
Kingfishers	<b>Jorin</b> for her positivity and all-round loveliness. She is always smiling and fun to be with. I like that she will ask for help when she needs it, but gets on independently and stretches herself in her learning goals whenever she can. <b>Trent</b> for making excellent progress in his learning and being willing to share his thinking in class discussions. His confidence has really grown.

### Top Table

The children chosen for the top table this week are:

Herbie B – Ladybirds  
Hamish D – Bumblebees  
Evie Mc – Hares  
David B - Kingfishers



### Picnic Boxes

There will be **NO** picnic boxes next week – they will resume on **Monday 19 May**.

### Breakfast and After School Club

A polite reminder to use the online booking system to book your child onto both Breakfast and After School Club – thank you.

### Half Term Football Camp

Matt who runs our Football Club is, once again, running a Half Term Football Camp, here at school, on 27, 28 and 29 May from 9am – 3pm for ages 5-11. The cost will be £20 per day or £50 for all three days. For more information and to book go to: [bookwhen.com/mattwellsfootballcoaching](http://bookwhen.com/mattwellsfootballcoaching).



Thank you for your continued support. I hope you have lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully



Miss Vittle  
Headteacher

### Dates for your diary - **new events in Blue**

Yr6 SATs	12 – 15 May
Year 1 Trip to Hilliers	13 May
Year 6 Trip to Winchester Museums	19 May
Sports Day	21 May
Alternative Sports Day (if wet)	22 May
End of Summer 1	23 May
Start of Summer 2	2 June
Arts Week	23 – 26 June
Inset Day	27 June 2025 & 30 June 2025
Summer Fair	12 July
<b>Rock Steady Concert 2.30pm</b>	<b>14 July</b>
End of Summer Term	22 July