



## Newsletter Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Dear parents and carers,

What a week we have had involved in learning about our Queen, British values and preparing for our own celebrations yesterday. We wanted to make Thursday special, memorable and as inclusive of our whole school family as possible. It was a success. THANK YOU to all our parents and carers who went that extra mile to provide red, white and blue clothes, provide food and drink and support the children in the Bake off event.

Everything was just perfect and the children will have memories to treasure of their parade, the decorated banners and crowns, their singing and playing, their playground street party, a visiting ice-cream van (Many thanks to Mr and Mrs Cooke) and Platinum Jubilee coins presented to each child in a special assembly by the Parish Council.

It was heart-warming to have so many families and friends join us on our parade and we were so grateful that so many of you were able to find time to come along. This week has rounded off a very busy term and staff have gone above and beyond, yet again, to give our children opportunities to grow them into positive future citizens.

### Values Champion

Our Values Champion for this half term was nominated by Hope for showing our value of kindness. Congratulations to Oliver who chose a game for his prize.

### Attendance Prize

All children who have achieved 95% or above with their attendance this term have received a sticker in assembly today and a special 100% sticker if they have been present every day. Our Attendance Prize winner for this term was Sky who won a £25 Argos voucher.



### SATS

Our Year 2 children were superstars during their SATS, which have now all been completed. Thank you to Mrs McCabe-Reeson, Mrs Fulton and Miss Scarborough for offering toast as a morning starter last week. As I popped into the classroom I was very impressed with everyone's positive attitude while trying their best to answer the questions.

Our Year 4 children will be completing their online Multiplication Tables check after half term and our Year 1 children will be completing their Phonics check alongside any Year 2 children who did not achieve the pass standard during the Autumn term.



## School Day Consultation

Thank you to those parents and carers who responded to our School Day consultation. We have noted your comments and thank you for your involvement. I can now confirm that with effect from September 2022, the school **gates will be unlocked each morning from 8.40am** with **registration taking place at 8.50am**. The gates will be locked after this time but access will be possible through the main gate from the car park. The **gates will be unlocked from 3.10pm** to allow parents access to the playground before the end of the day. All children will **leave school at 3.20pm** unless they are taking part in an optional after-school club. Reminders about these changes will be sent out before the start of the summer term.



## First Steps

It was very exciting to meet the parents of our new Reception children who will be joining us in September at our First Steps meeting. Lots of questions were answered and we can't wait to welcome the children themselves, to meet us here in school next term.

## Conductive Music

Our children in Classes 3, 4, 5 and 6 enjoyed music learning workshops this week mixing arts, technology and science led by Mr E from Conductive Music. They were engaged in a variety of age-appropriate learning activities which they fully enjoyed.

Mr E was very impressed by the children's positive attitudes to learning, their response to musical, scientific, and computing questions as well as some of their gaming knowledge. The workshops were provided by Lincolnshire Music Service which enabled our children to benefit from these opportunities.



## Plants and wellbeing

To support the wellbeing of our children we involve those who wish to, in gardening activities during some lunch times. We have a very reliable watering team who have nurtured some plug plants which we gratefully received from Plug Plants Express Ltd, Coningsby. They are now blooming as vibrant pansies in our planters to welcome everyone when they come into the school grounds. Our vegetable raised beds are planted up with sweetcorn, spinach, potatoes and carrots. Tomatoes are growing in some pots too. Of course, Class 3's amazing sunflowers are not to be missed outside their classroom as they continue to grow and flourish. We certainly have some green fingered experts amongst our team.



## PGL

Thank you to those parents and carers who joined Mr Hoodless for the PGL information meeting. The children are very excited now they know what activities they will be doing during the weekend at Caythorpe. If you have any questions, please just ask.

## Video Wall

Our KS2 musicians had great fun filming and creating short films for the video wall to be shared at the Mash Up LIVE digital event presented by Yolanda Brown which we will be part of on July 4<sup>th</sup>. We had a djembe castle and brass instruments spelling out the name of our school. Mr Chambers is kindly assembling the footage for the event.

## Queen's Platinum Jubilee Disco Friday 17th June

As part of our ongoing Jubilee celebrations, our PTA are hosting discos once again for our children.

**3:15pm - 4:15pm**- Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3 children.

**4:30pm - 5:30pm**- Class 4, Class 5 and Class 6 children.

Tickets cost £2.50 each which includes two slices of pizza and a drink.

*Please return the tear off slip from last week's letter, with the money if your child would like to come along, by Friday 10th June. This should be placed in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class and the word 'disco' and given to your child's class teacher.* It is imperative that you sign the slip otherwise your child will not be allowed to take part. All children must be collected at the end of each disco.



## Tesco Community Grants Fund

Our application to the Tesco Community Grants Scheme has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote. Voting will commence in the Horncastle store from the first week of July 2022 and continue until 30th September 2022. Any funding we receive, which could be up to £1500, if we win the vote with the blue tokens, will be put towards updating the outdoor area for Class 1 in the Autumn term. We are delighted that once again we have been chosen to benefit from community funding to support our children.

## Jubilee Cake competition winners

Well done to everyone for their amazing efforts baking Jubilee cakes, they all looked fabulous!

Class 1 – Joshua

Class 2 – Tate

Class 3 – Maximus

Class 4 – Otilie

Class 5 – Rosie

Class 6 - Liliana

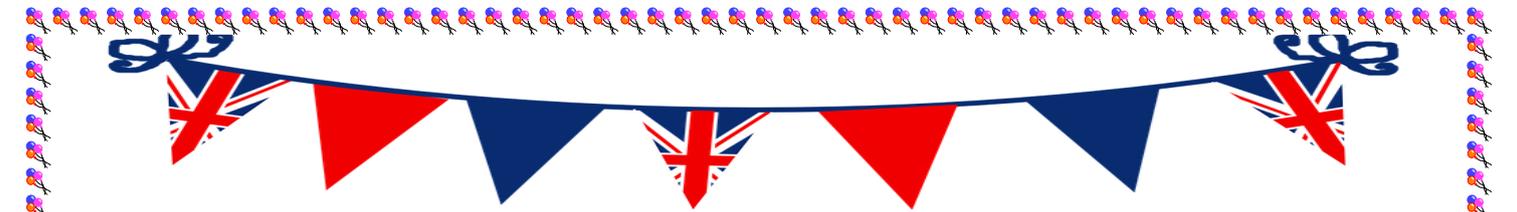


**KS1 overall winner – George in Class 1**

**KS2 overall winner – Tabitha in Class 5**

## Competition winner

Well done to Charlie who won a Growing Kit from the Farm Kitchen. Charlie found the 'Golden ticket' with his Farm Kitchen lunch on competition day to win this special prize.



### P.E Days Lunch order reminder

Please note the deadline for ordering school lunches from the Farm kitchen for our return to school is Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May by 3pm. We return to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

Monday	<b>Class 6 Class 5</b>
Tuesday	<b>Class 2 Class 3</b> (No PE 7 <sup>th</sup> June- Class photos)
Wednesday	KS2 swimming (School Uniform needed)
Thursday	<b>Class 4</b>
Friday	<b>Class 1</b>

### Diary Dates

27 <sup>th</sup> May	End of Term
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Start Of Term
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos (All children to wear uniform-no PE)
17 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Queen's Jubilee Disco
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Sports day (Reserve date 23 <sup>rd</sup> June)

### Class Assembly Dates - 9am

16 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 5
23 <sup>RD</sup> June	Class 4
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 3
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 2
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 1
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Class 6

We are all now due a well-earned rest from school and I wish everyone a safe and healthy half- term. I am sure many of you will be joining other community events and celebrations over the holiday and I hope the weather stays bright and fine. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

Take care and thank you all for your continued support.

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