



Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week in school!

The children in Year 6 have been exemplary this week in their approach to the SATs tests – they have taken them in their stride and just knuckled down to do their best – we could not have asked for more from them. They will have a well-deserved treat on Monday, when they spend the day at Moor's Valley Country Park and test their nerves and sense of adventure on the GoApe course!

Last Friday, and this Monday, Year 5 visited Kingsfisher Barn in Throop to support their learning about rivers and habitats. It was a great trip by all accounts! Joel and Tiago in 5RH write: 'We enjoyed the river trip because

we were split into groups and did different activities such as: nature walk, the river talk and pond dipping. We would recommend the river talk because it taught us things we haven't learnt.' Many thanks to the Year 5 staff for organising this visit.



On Thursday afternoon, Year 5 and 6 were treated to a STEM Roadshow, about AI and its uses. Bertie writes: 'On the 15th May, we were lucky enough to visit the STEM roadshow. This was a presentation on AI, shown by the RAF to teach us about artificial intelligence because of its growing popularity around the world. They started by showing us a robot dog with LIDAR, a system which scans terrain for objects so it cannot get stuck; especially when there are 120 children in the hall for it to navigate! After that, we made a song cover for KSI, and used someone's picture to make them talk. Overall, it was a great learning experience and I would recommend it for all!'

We ended the week with our celebration to honour Our Lady during her special month of May. Thanks so much for all the beautiful bouquets for the children to offer to Mary! As is our tradition, Mary was crowned by the youngest child in the school – Remi, supported by the oldest child – Xander. Many thanks to the Year 6 Chaplaincy Team who led this celebration of the Word for us.



Staff Training Day

Just a reminder that school is closed for children on Friday 23rd May as it is a staff training day.

Hot lunches

The deadline to order Hot School meals for the first week back after the half term break is midnight on Monday, 26th May. If you have not ordered by this time, please ensure you send your child in with a packed lunch after the holiday.

Guitar – Advance notice.

In the week after half term – w/b 2nd June only- Year 6 will have their guitar lessons on Monday, and Year 5 will have theirs on Tuesday – as Year 6 will be going on their residential that day.

PSA meeting/ Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who came along to our PSA meeting this morning. Plans are already well on the way to making our Summer Fair a successful and enjoyable event. Please keep an eye in your WhatsApp groups and on Facebook for more information about your year group's stall – we really need as much help as possible. Many hands make light work as they say! Please ensure you have the date and time in your diary – Wednesday 25th June, 3.30 – 5.30 pm.

Walk to School Week

Next week, w/b 19th May, is Walk to school week. We really want to get as many children involved in this year's challenge and experience the many benefits of walking and wheeling! If your child can't walk all the way to school, please consider parking a bit further away and walking for the last 10 or 15 minutes – it's great to promote this healthy lifestyle to the children as well as reducing the traffic problems and emissions around school. Each class will be keeping a tally of those who walk or scoot – I wonder who will win!

Sports' Days

KS2 Sports' morning will be on Tuesday 24th June at Bournemouth School for Boys, 9.30 -11.30.

Reception sports' fun afternoon is on Tuesday 24th June, 1.30 – 2.30

Year 1 fun sports' fun morning is on Thursday 26th June, 9.15 – 10.15

Year 2 sports' fun afternoon is on Thursday, 26th June, 1.30-2.30. Your child will need a T shirt in their house colour for this event.

Dates for your Diary:

Mon 19 th May	All week	Walk to School Week
Mon 19 th May	All day	Year 6 to GoApe
Tues 20th May	All day	Class photos
Thurs 22 nd May	am	3NL visit to Pizza Express
Thurs 22 nd May	2.50pm	Children finish for half term
Fri 23 rd May	All day	School closed for children – staff training day
Thurs 5 th June	Am	3DB visit to Pizza Express
Tues 24 th June	9.30 – 11.30	Key Stage 2 Sports' morning – Bournemouth School field
Tues 24 th June	1.30 – 2.30	Reception Sports' afternoon at school
Weds 25 th June	3.50-5.30pm	Summer Fair- more info to follow
Thurs 26 th June	9.15 – 10.15	Year 1 Sports' morning at school
Thurs 26 th June	1.30 – 2.20	Year 2 Sports' Afternoon at school

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

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