

20th May 2022

FRIDAY NEWS

A nurturing family, learning together



Message from Mrs Pearson

I would like to offer a warm welcome to our three families from Ukraine who have this week joined our school family. It has been lovely to see our children welcoming Volodymyr, Dima and Karina into their friendship groups and supporting them as they start their learning journey here at the school.

This week, it was the turn of children in Year 2 to undertake national compulsory SATs tests. All our year 2 children worked exceptionally hard over the week, and have made everyone proud. Well done year 2! We have one more test to complete next week and then they are all done!

Meanwhile, our very youngest children in Nursery have been busy watching some baby caterpillars grow and enjoying getting outside and planting beans. Earlier this week when I peeped through Nursery's window, I also watched children getting artistic and creative printing beautiful works of art with vegetables.

Moving to the other end of the school, this week children in Class 5 have taken part in an online careers conversation, involving over 2500 pupils from across the country and an inspirational trainee female astronaut!

As the weather improves, it is lovely to see children being able to get outside more and more for PE lessons. Children eagerly look forward to weekly sessions with Coach Mark Gunn. Likewise, children in Classes 4 and 5 are now taking part in weekly tennis lessons with professional Tennis Coach, Ueli, who is based at Skipton Tennis Centre. Who knows, a future star of the infamous centre court might just be starting their rise to fame here on our school playground!

Following on from some fabulous fundraising efforts by the whole school community, and with a special mention to the School Council – I have some exciting news! Planning is currently taking place for some additional playground markings to be installed on our playground.... More information and official unveiling of plans soon.....You also may have noticed some new football goals appearing in the playground. A popular request and hopefully more children, from all year groups can now enjoy a kickaround.

With the weather turning warmer, and the sunshine making more frequent appearances, I am sure there is

no need to remind parents/carers about the importance of protecting skin from sunburn and skin damage that can be caused by the harmful ultra-violet rays in sunlight. As a school we will be encouraging children to avoid sunburn and over-exposure to the sun by :

- seeking the shade, particularly during the middle of the day.
- wearing suitable hats
- wearing clothing that protects the skin, particularly for outdoor activities and school trips
- using a high factor sunscreen (SPF15+)

As parents/carers you can help by encouraging children to bring and wear a hat at school, and to also wear longer sleeved shirts and longer shorts when outdoors. If the use of a sunscreen is required, parents/carers are asked to apply sunscreen before school. Sunscreen at school will only be required for use during school trips – on these occasions it is requested that the product to be used is clearly labelled with the child's name. It is school policy that children must apply their own sunscreen under the supervision of school staff. Please remember that school does not permit the use of aerosol spray sunscreens.

As part of the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations, during June children in Classes 3,4 and 5 have been invited by Low Bentham Church to take part in their Churches Count on Nature Project organised by the National Biodiversity Network. More information about activities and this visit will be sent home with children. Please see information below regarding other Jubilee celebrations.

As a 'whole' school, I am arranging to purchase a tree to be planted in the school grounds to mark the Platinum Jubilee – this ties in with one of Her Majesty the Queen's wishes. If anyone wishes to suggest a type of tree or be willing to help with the planting of it, then please get in touch as I am not a tree/gardening expert!

Finally, I have to mention the amazing fundraising efforts of Emily in Class 5. Emily's mum tells me that every year Emily fundraises for a chosen charity. This year, Emily is fundraising and supporting the Little Princess Trust charity, a charity that supports children who have lost their hair through serious illness. On Sunday 22nd May, Emily will be having 12 inches of her hair cut off and donated. To help support Emily's momentous efforts, and to raise even more funds for this special charity, Emily has organised a 'Jelly Bean Challenge'! Emily has been holding a 'Guess how many Jelly Beans in the Jar' stall outside of Class 5 over the week, the last day to

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guess how many beans being later today. Please have a go at guessing and help raise important funds. The winner of the Jelly Bean game will be announced on Monday. For more information about Emily's efforts and the Little Princess Trust, or to make a much appreciated donation, please visit :
https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/emilytenant?experiments=donate_now_track_click&successType=StaticDonateButtonClick&fbclid=IwAR22PQ90ttmovfxkOkoZN3Xzv_TDAej-66RLN3VWGxEP9EBKgEs_nsoYrw.

Have a lovely weekend. I know I am looking forward to getting outside, perhaps having a family picnic, or simply going on a nice walk.

Mrs Pearson
Headteacher

Fundraiser and Awareness for Mental Health Week

Max and Zack's mum, Emma, is busy fundraising for the charity 'Action on Postpartum Psychosis'. By taking part in the Miles for Mums and Babies Challenge throughout the month of May, Emma (and Barbara) have challenged themselves to walk 72 miles over around 8 walks. Please help support these fundraising efforts, and read more about Emma's personal journey at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/emma-read-milesformumsandbabies>.

A Right Royal Celebration

On the 27th May, we are inviting all children in all classes to join in with a celebratory 'Royal Tea Party'. On the menu will be a selection of homemade sandwiches, cheese straws, homemade sausage rolls, and a selection of vegetable sticks. For dessert children can choose from a Celebration Cupcake, fresh fruit or yoghurt. There is no need to pre-order, this Royal Celebratory meal can be ordered during registration on the day.

On the same day, children can come to school wearing red, white and blue or they can come to school dressed as a Royal King or Queen.

Coach Mark Gunn

Coach Gunn's every popular school holiday 'camp' will once again be taking place on Monday 30th May 2022. More information has been sent home with children, but details can also be found at <https://www.facebook.com/events/411330804133891>. Alternatively, contact Coach Gunn directly on 07912 178917 or coachmarkgunn@gmail.com.

PE Days

Nursery:	Thursday (AM)
Class 1 :	Tuesday/Friday : PM
Class 2 :	Tuesday/Wednesday
Class 3 :	Tuesday/Friday
Class 4 :	Tuesday/Thursday
Class 5 :	Tuesday/Thursday

Dates for your Diary

Monday 23rd May 2022

Pasta Bolognaise
Seasonal Vegetable Bolognaise
Jacket Potato

Tuesday 24th May 2022

Crunchy Fish Bites
Macaroni Cheese
Jacket Potato

Guitar Lessons (Mr S Redfern)

3.30pm – 4.20pm After School Basketball Club (Years 2/3)

Wednesday 25th May 2022

Roast Pork
Mixed Bean Pitta Pocket
Jacket Potato

Thursday 26th May 2022

Chicken Korma
Vegetable Korma
Jacket Potato

Friday 20th May 2022

A Right Royal Celebration
10.00am Voice Lessons (NYCC MUSIC SERVICE)
9.30am – 11.00am Baby and Toddler Group in the School Hall.

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Emma & Barbara are fundraising for...

Action on Postpartum Psychosis

...by taking part in Miles for Mums and Babies Challenge throughout the month of May 2022

They are challenging themselves to walk 72 miles over around 8 walks. This distance represents how far it is from Emma's home to the Mother & Baby Unit at Wythenshawe Hospital, which is where she spent around 8 weeks whilst recovering from Postpartum Psychosis after the birth of her youngest son in 2014. They are aiming to increase the distance of their walks to prepare themselves for their final walk of 15 miles!

Please have a read of their fundraising page on JustGiving for more information, all donations are hugely appreciated (big or small, every little helps!) and hopefully they will be able raise some awareness of this frightening yet curable illness along the way.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/emma-read-milesformumsandbabies>

Thank you for your support!

Did you know...

Postpartum psychosis is a severe and frightening postnatal mental illness that affects 1-2% women and their families every year in the UK - from all backgrounds. Half of cases are 'out of the blue' with women having no history of mental illness. Symptoms include hallucinations, delusions, mania, depression, restlessness, anxiety, confusion, and unusual behaviour - which can manifest within days of childbirth and escalate very quickly. Most women need to be admitted rapidly to a Mother and Baby Unit for inpatient treatment. However, with the right care, women can fully recover.



Photos taken whilst Emma was on the Mother & Baby Unit in 2014

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TO VISIT THE FUNDRAISING WEBSITE ANY DONATIONS WELCOME THANK YOU!

About postpartum psychosis



Little Princess Trust



Kim Tennant

Emilys Big Cut

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