

# Welcome Back!

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We hope you had a lovely Easter Break and the Easter Bunny paid you a visit...



Education Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April 9:30 – 10:30

Reverend Deakin at Holy Trinity has invited our children to lead the service on Education Sunday. A number of our children will be leading the prayers, songs and readings during this special service as well as sharing talents through their Red Nose Show Performances. It would be lovely to see members of our school community at the service.



## What a lovely start to our Summer Term:

Your wonderful children have arrived back looking very smart, with many in Summer uniform, a big smile and ready for the challenges and learning that their teachers have in store. Colleagues have also arrived back refreshed and ready for the busyness of the Summer Term.

We have been joined by Mrs Macpherson, our new Deputy Head from Moorcroft-Wood who you will meet over the next few weeks, please look out for her and me on the gate in the mornings and say hello. Mrs Garcha is now our Acting Assistant Head and with Mrs Pavey we are all more than happy to help with any queries that you may have.

The Summer Term is always full and this year is no exception, with many dates for your diary that I have put onto a separate sheet so you can add straight to the family pin board! Health



and fitness is high on the agenda with sports days and inter-school competitions. The Summer Sizzler is in Summer 2 when our talent can shine (lets hope the sun does). Also, all children are getting ready for their next class and year group, with transition beginning after half term when all our children move up for Maths and English every morning with their new

teacher. Y6 are also getting ready for their next phase with a Dragon's Den meets the Apprentice challenge and of course their Prom night. Summer is also a time for our children to share their learning from the year as we undertake assessments that enable us to see how much progress your children have made and what their next steps need to be.

Plus, we have a General Election on the horizon, who knows who will be our Prime Minister by July? So, entering into the spirit of the election process our children will be understanding the principles of democracy as we run our own elections for Learning Ambassadors in every class.

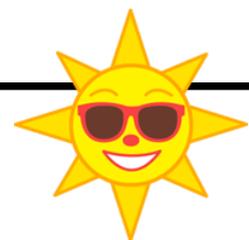
Enjoy the sunshine and the smiles this brings. Mrs Newton

## Keeping safe

No newsletter would be complete without a reminder about road safety. Mrs Taylor, our crossing lady, has popped in to see me this week to share a concern about children arriving at her crossing without their adult. Children—please keep your adults with you at all times!

We have been blessed with sunshine for our first week back and our children are already playing on the field.

Can I just remind parents of the ingredients of sun safety: To apply sun-cream before coming to school, and bring water bottles and hats. I am living in hope of more sun...



## Fabulous Finish...

We certainly had a fabulous finish to last Term as Mrs Arnstein retired with a BIG BANG and we celebrated the Sound of Music in our Explore and Discovery Week! Our children looked so smart on the Wednesday as they performed sketches from our past Explore and Discovery weeks and sang our favourite Woodland Songs. We were also joined by 50 ex pupils from Pool Hayes which was the icing on the cake. Did you see the article in the Express and Star? Mrs Arnstein looked every inch the star!



Also, during the last week our children were learning about different instruments and classical music from different periods of history. We had many special visitors in school sharing their instruments and skills. A highlight was a group of students from the Conservatoire who performed for the whole school on the last day. A big well done to Mrs Everist and Mrs Corbett who organised many of the musical activities during this wonderful week.

## The temperature is rising in Y4

### Rainforests in a jar

There was no rest for Y4 as they became botanists over the Easter holiday and created mini-rainforests in a jar. The children collected stones and moss and then planted seeds into their jars. With the lid on a water system was formed mirroring the effect in the rainforest.

How clever!



We have our suggestions box in the office reception area for you to share any thoughts and ideas, good and not so good... Shortly, we will also be sending home a questionnaire from our office team asking your thoughts about communication and methods of paying for activities in school. Your thoughts are appreciated and listened to.