

Hello everyone



The week started off energetically with **Year 5 and Year 6 sports day at Pingles Stadium**. We were incredibly proud of the children's behaviour and sportsmanship during the day. Everyone did well joining in with a wide range of sports, but a big shout out must go to **5ST** and **6NI** for winning their year group events overall! A huge thank you to **Mr Bates** for organising the event!

On Tuesday, Year 6 school councillors along with their peers visited **Joseph Chamberlain College** to experience different **enrichment activities**. Pupils had a tour of the college and visited the Health and Social Care Department. They measured blood pressure, oxygen levels and took their temperature. Next, they created slime in the Science lab. Finally, they enjoyed a session of 'glow in the dark' football! A big thank you to Joseph Chamberlain staff for making us feel very welcome and inspiring us!



Also on Tuesday, **3AW and 3DR** had an exciting ride on the train into the city centre to explore the **central library and the city's museum**, whilst **Year 4** experienced a visit from the **Animal Man**. He brought many interesting creatures with him ranging from a tarantula, to skunk, to an owl and a snake! Wednesday saw 4SH and 5TR visit Ward End Library to enjoy story time and learn about how to use the local library to support reading for pleasure, and 3SQ visited the library on Thursday.

Year 6 spent the day at Drayton Manor today as a reward for all their hard work this year. They are now looking forward to their **graduation on Monday 11th July** and their **prom on Friday 15th July**!

Thank you to everyone who attended **Parents' Evening** this week, it was so lovely to see everyone in school at long last and to share the children's work. Don't forget, if you haven't booked your appointment, you can still book for **Wednesday 6th July**. Please check your email for a link to the booking. We understand that **Eid-ul-Adha will fall on Saturday or Sunday next weekend**. Therefore, please can you **ensure your child attends school as normal on Monday 11th July, thank you** (this is also the date of the Year 6 graduation ceremonies!).

Have a great weekend everyone!

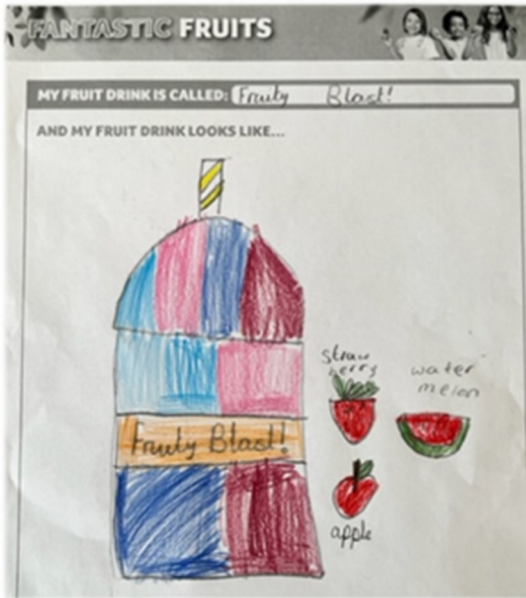
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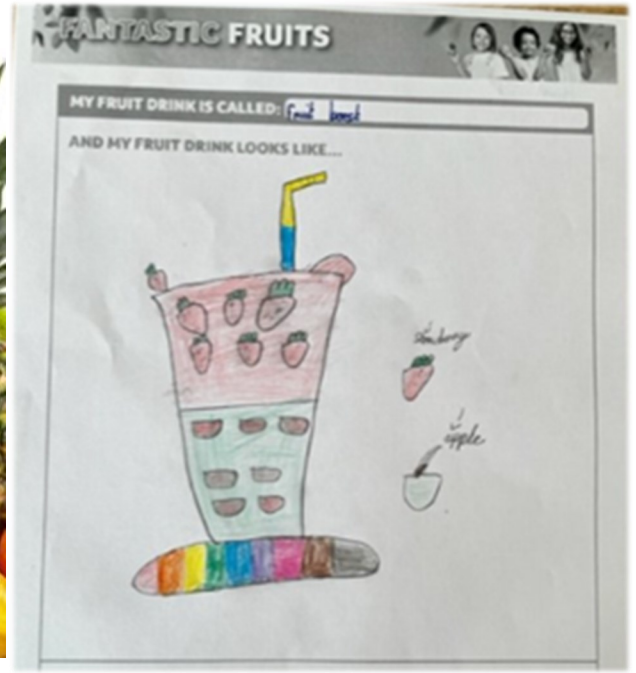
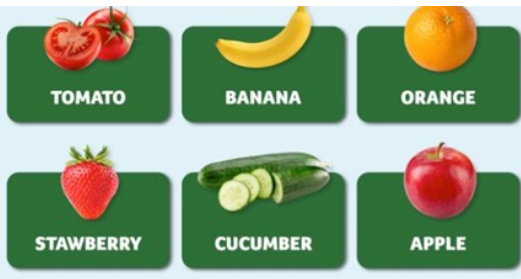


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Year 3



This week, Year 3 have been learning about the benefits of eating **fruit and vegetables** as part of a healthy balanced diet. We learnt about the key differences between a fruit and a vegetable, and explored where a variety of fruits come from. We also identified different types of food and drinks that contain fruit. We really enjoyed designing our own fruit juice and explained why these fruits are good for us.



Year 4



As part of our Science topic, **living things and habitats**, the children had a special visit from Animal in Hands. Mr Safeer brought the zoo to us! The children learnt about the different groups of animals which were mammals, amphibians, reptiles, insects, arachnid and birds. They explored the various characteristics of each species of animals. The children were able to safely interact with a wide range of exotic and domestic animals, such as a snake, chinchilla, skunk, tarantula, chameleon, stick insect, owl and a moss frog!

You can find out more information on: www.animalsinhands.com



Competition Time

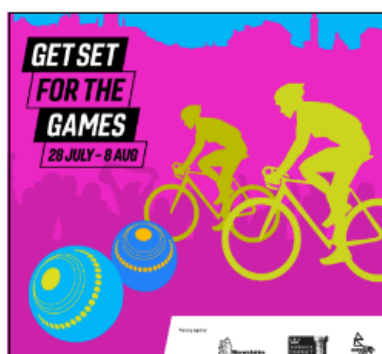
We need your help!

We would like you to design the front cover of our new school reading diaries.

Birmingham are hosting the 2022 Commonwealth Games and to follow on from our summer of sport the title of the competition will be **'SPORT'**.

Entries are to be handed in to your class teacher by **Friday 8th July 2022**.

Entries must be A5 (5.8 x 8.3 inches approximately) be bold and in colour.



Year 5

Year 5 Sports Day at Pingles Stadium. (Not Pringles, as Mr Ryall erroneously thought! (Wot no crisps?). Despite a wet morning, field activities were carried out and enjoyed.

Mr Bates had set a bewildering variety of activities that tested many skills, athletic and otherwise. Different children, boys and girls, rose to stardom in different activities, earning points for their classes.

Rain did stop play for a short while but, slightly damp, the year group played on, adding a few more scores to their totals. The afternoon saw the Sun come out and the track in use. The races went from 25m to 400m. Mr Bates, it had to be said, travelled by far the furthest, leading the pupils to their starting point, before rushing to the finish to record the results.

Pupils tried hard and falls and lost shoes spoilt some people's hopes, but not their grit, as all pupils crossed the finish. Tired, but dried out, we then returned to school with 5ST victorious. Some lovely sportspersonship was shown and comradery, which was great to see. The pupils now have a better idea of how long 400m is!

Thank you to Mr Bates for setting it all up, Mr Mason for timing the field activities, and Mr Sajid for starting the races.



Year 6

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In Year 6 we have continued our **Theme Park Project** leading up to our amazing Drayton Manor trip. The project has helped the students: develop their problem-solving and thinking mathematical skills, promote teamwork, use a range of mathematical and literacy skills and most importantly HAVE FUN.

This week, the children have looked at entrance prices including profit and loss margins and advertising their theme park to the public.

Below are examples of layouts and costings that pupils have used.

WOW! Well done year 6.

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Estimated Running Costs

Work out the estimated running costs for your theme park.

Type of Ride/Amenity/Attraction	Staffing Costs	Electricity, Maintenance, Repairs or Other Costs	Numbers in Park	Total Cost
Thrill roller Ride	£800 a week	£300 a week	3	3,300
Family Ride	£300 a week	£200 a week	4	2,800
Water Ride	£500 a week	£150 a week	5	3,250
Children's Ride	£300 a week	£100 a week	4	1,600
Other Attractions	£200 a week	£50 a week	3	750
Ticket Machines	£100 a week for cleaning	£30 a week	2	300
First Aid Booth	£400 a week	£50 a week	1	450
Entrance Turnstile	£200 a week	£50 a week	1	550
Food Outlets	£2000 a week	£2000 a week (to include ingredients and other costs)	6	24,000
Other Park, Maintenance and Cleaning Costs	£1000 a week		1	4,000
Liability Insurance	£1000 a week		1	10,000
Overall Total				25,000
Total for first two weeks of operating (thermal total x2)				50,000
Amount left of business loan after build costs:				310,000
Amount left of business minus two weeks of running costs:				260,000

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Thornton Staff Book Review



Ms Devi says, "*The Huge Bag of Worries* by Virginia Ironside and Frank Rogers is reassuring picture book. It encourages children to open up about their fears and anxieties to help manage their feelings. The book follows the daily life of a young child named Jenny who worries about absolutely everything. Wherever Jenny goes, her worries follow her in a big blue bag. This book draws upon real life situations and presents problems children might worry about. This book is a must read for parents, carers and professionals who are wanting to support a child struggling with anxiety. I love this book as it empowers adults with the tools they need to help their child with their anxiety, and help them learn about fundamental ideas about worries. The book can be used as a springboard into important conversations with your child. Highly recommended "

Zanib – describes her writing process.

An important part of my writing process is to observe people. All kinds of people. I watch how they speak, how they walk, their facial expressions. I think people are fascinating!
I am also very much in touch with my inner child. I laugh easily, and I enjoy being around people who make me laugh. When something funny happens that I think should go into my next book, I write it down to refer to later.
As for the ideas, much like Omar, I've always exercised my imagination muscle. I think coming up with ideas requires a combination of stored memories from life's experiences and observing people, and that imagination.
I love writing either when I am all alone, or in a café surrounded by people I don't know.



Mrs. D. McPherson – Assistant Headteacher

Year 6 Graduation Photos



Year 6 Individual Graduation photos will be available to purchase from **Monday 4th July**. There will also be the option to order additional photos should you require.

Class photos will be available to view and order from Monday 4th July. This photo will be on display on the classroom exit door. **Deadline for ordering all photos is Wednesday 6th July at 12pm. There is no option to order any further photos after this date.**

On this occasion it is **cash payment only** - payment must be made in advance to secure an order. Please send the correct amount in a sealed and labelled envelope to the class teacher by Wednesday 6th July at 12pm.

Prices

Individual photos cost £8 each

Class photos cost £10 each



ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022

Summer Term 2 2022

Term Starts: **Monday 6th June**

Term Ends: **Thursday 21st July at 12.45pm**

Autumn Term 2022

Teacher Training Day Monday 5th September

Term Starts: **Tuesday 6th September**

Term Ends: **Friday 21st October**

Half Term: Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October

School Attendance

100% Class attendance

Congratulations to 3EB for achieving 100% attendance last week. Mrs Biddle– Rawbone did a surprise visit and awarded the class a £25 gift voucher to spend on a VIP experience or new class resources.

Well done to the following classes who achieved our school attendance target of **97%** and above last week:

Year 3

3DR

3AW

Year 4

4MJ

4TW

Year 5

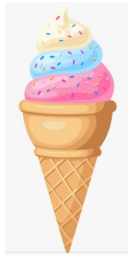
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Year 4 Attendance Challenge Reward

Mrs Grace surprised 4MJ and 4TW with a yummy ice cream treat on Thursday afternoon for winning three golden tickets during the attendance challenge. The children enjoyed choosing their ice cream from the ice cream van. 4MJ and 4TW were excited to have ice cream with their class friends and their teachers. The whole of year 4 were rewarded with extra play time for achieving at least two golden tickets during the attendance challenge.



Summer Term Golden Gold Award

Congratulations to the 69 children who have achieved 100% attendance this academic year and will be going on the Twinlakes Theme Park on Monday 4th July.

Our school attendance last week was 95.0%

Dates to remember

Twinlakes Trip - 100% Attendance Golden Ticket Award

Monday 4th July

Parents' Evening

Wednesday 6th July –3.45pm-6.00pm

Year 6 Secondary School Transition Day

Wednesday 6th July – **Year 6 to attend Secondary school not Thornton.**

Blue Coat Year 3 and Year 4 Sport Day

Friday 15th July

Year 6 Prom

Friday 15th July 5pm to 7pm

PE TIMETABLE

Monday 4th July
Year 3

Tuesday 5th July
Year 5

Wednesday 6th July
Year 4

Thursday 7th July
Year 6

Friday 8th July
Swimming for classes
5BA & 5ST

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