



Time seems to be flying by and we're already at the end of our second week with a long weekend ahead of us. Next Friday we will be inviting children to come to school dressed in red, white and blue and school dinners will be replaced by a coronation picnic. Fingers crossed for warm and sunny weather so that the whole school can eat together outside as planned.



Our Forest School area at the back of school is ever changing. New plants and trees planted, creations that the children have made or built left for next time, activities set up and ongoing projects for year groups are there as works in progress. This is not an open play area, children only enter this area if it is their class's turn for Forest School and only with a Forest School Leader or supervising adult. School children are not allowed to play in this area at break or lunch times. This is for the children's safety and so that the children attending Forest School can leave the area as they like for next time. Please can we ask that children visiting school at drop off and

pick up times do not enter this area to ensure it is safe for everyone to use in their Forest School sessions and so that nothing gets damaged that has been created. As well as this, the school children know that they are not to play on or roll down the green slopes in front of the pods, which is again for their own safety. Please can we ask anyone dropping off or picking up that they ensure that any preschool children that accompany them are not on these slopes.

There are increasing numbers of families arriving at school late in the mornings. Please can we remind you that the school day begins at 8.45am. This gives your child 5 mins to get to class for registration at 8.50am. From Monday the gate will be closed at 8.50am each morning and after that, you will need to buzz to be let in. Your child will then receive a late mark in the register.

We hope you all have an enjoyable long weekend with the Bank Holiday Monday. Please remember that there is another NEU strike day on Tuesday, which means that children in Year 1 and Year 5 will not be in school.

Mrs Cowgill and Mr Turull



Certificates of the week

Head Teacher's Award



Congratulations to Elsie, Albie, Kiera, Joseph and Joel for receiving this week's Head Teacher's Award.

Doodle Maths & Doodle Tables

Top Doodlers were James, Joshua, Jake, Esme, Kira, Lola and Joel. Top for Doodle Tables were Phoebe, Alfie, Joel and Finley. Congratulations to Joshua for getting the highest number of stars in the school.



Congratulations Erin for being named **Reader of the Week** by the Year 6 librarians. And to Ethan for receiving the **Playground Tidy Up Award** for his fantastic efforts clearing up the mud kitchen.



Other awards

Rauiri and Albie brought in their rugby awards. James, Fraser and Toby had football medals and cups. Thomas showed his Taekwondo achievements, Teddy completed holiday activities and Orla, Hera, Alice and Erin brought in their gymnastics awards. Well done everyone.





Notices

- **Dinner Menu Choices** - Please ensure bookings are made by Thursday for lunches for the following week. Unfortunately, options can no longer be changed after this day. Please note that if you book a meal and then your child brings in a packed lunch on that day you will still be charged for the booked meal if you pay for school lunches, unless your child is ill.
- **Parking** - If you are driving your child to and from school please park sensibly and safely and remember that the yellow zigzag lines outside of the school must be kept free at all times. These are regularly monitored by the PCSOs, who may issue a fine for owners of cars parked there illegally.
- **School pick up** - Please remember to inform the school if collection arrangements are different from normal.
- **School lunches** - From September paid school lunches will increase from £2.60 to £2.80 due to the rise in food prices and transport costs.
- **Awards** - If your child received a cup or shield last year please can it be returned to school for this year's awards ceremony. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Monday 1st May	BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 2nd May	NEU Strike day - school closed to YEAR 1 and YEAR 5
Friday 5th May	Year 3 and 4 Gymnastic competition
Friday 5th May	Year 6 bake sale after school
Monday 8th May	BANK HOLIDAY (King's Coronation)
9th May - 12th May	YEAR 6 SATS
Friday 12th May	Cherry Class height and weight screening
Friday 19th May	Class photos and individual Year 6 photos
Friday 26th May	End of Term 5