

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all had a good week. The term is flying by and we are all really looking forward to our May Dances on Tuesday at 4pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Year 6 SATS

We would like to start off by saying a massive congratulations to Year 6 on completing their KS2 SATs last week. The assessments give a snapshot of where the children are in their learning journey in English and Maths. They do not show what makes the children special to us, their friends and family.

The children have all been absolutely amazing and we could not be prouder as their teachers. All of the children arrived at school on time, with enthusiasm and maturity. Although it was a challenging week, the children all responded with resilience and character – so, thank you to all of the Y6 children. I would also like to thank our brilliant Y6 staff team that helped us to make SATs week run smoothly (including SATS breakfast club!) as it takes a lot of work and preparation.

Open Churches weekend at Fillingham Church

Fillingham Church were very appreciative of the arts and craft that the children created for their Open Churches weekend.



Spelling Bee-update from Mrs Lovett (English Lead)

After three weeks of semi-finals, finals, and final finals a new Spelling Bee Champion has been crowned. A huge congratulations to our winner Antonia Rinaldi in Year 6.

All the semi-finalists and finalists did a fantastic job spelling tricky words (often above their year group spelling lists) in front of the whole school. We really struggled to find words that our finalists couldn't spell and ended up with two very strong opponents (Faye and Antonia in Year 6) who ended up in another final a week later battling it out over some extremely tricky words with Antonia finally winning with the word ambidextrous! Well done girls!

A mention should also go to Felix, Hollie and James who also won a special sew-on Spelling Bee badge for their hard work over the three weeks of the competition. Special mention should also go to Eva in Year 6 who having won last year turned down her place in the final to support Mrs Lovett in "Dictionary Corner" helping verify each of the children's answers.

Thank you to all the children (and parents) for working so hard to secure their year group spellings - it has been fantastic to see such a buzz about spelling this term.

Semi-Finalists (certificate winners)	Finalists (sew-on badge winners)
James (Rowan)	Vincent (Willow)
Evie (Willow)	Ella (Rowan)
Matthew (Maple)	Skye-Grace (Maple)
Raghalleigh (Maple)	Hannah (Maple)
Will (Oak)	Aaron (Oak)
Sophie (Rowan)	Faye (Oak)
Amelia (Rowan)	Antonia (Oak)

Mini Marathon-update from Mrs Peacock (PE Lead)

On Tuesday afternoon the whole school met on the field to have our own "Mini-marathon". The children were amazing running several laps of the field with energy and enthusiasm. It was particularly lovely to see them supporting one another as many of the older children chose to run alongside the younger ones and this heightened their enjoyment of the event. Thank you to all those who have donated to the Cancer Research UK Just Giving page. It is not too late to donate if you would still like to do so. Well done to all of the children-you made all the staff feel extremely proud with your effort, enthusiasm and endurance. Please see the pictures on the following pages.



Diary Dates-

Friday 19th May	Messy Church
Tuesday 23rd May	May Dances-4pm on the Village Green-All welcome
Wednesday 24th May	Musical theatre after-school club performance on Village Green 3:30pm –All welcome
Friday 26th May	End of Term 5.

Half term holidays

Monday 5th June	Start of Term 6
Friday 16th June	Messy Church
Monday 19th-Friday 23rd June	Sports week
Monday 19th June	Sports Day-pm
Monday 26th June	Reserve Sports Day-pm
Thursday 29th June	Key Stage 2 play-1:30pm and 6:30pm
Friday 7th July	Arts Exhibition-pm
Friday 14th July	Messy Church
Friday 21st July	Leaver's assembly and school finishes for summer break

As always, please catch me at the school gate or make an appointment to see me if you have any questions or queries.

Enjoy the weekend.

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