



A small school with a big heart

# NEWSLETTER

## FRIDAY 28 APRIL 2023

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### Stars of the Week Class 1

William: for super phonics, reading and homework!

Jack: for thinking of some incredible features in his story-writing!

### Stars of the Week Class 2

Charlie: for demonstrating excellent throwing and catching skills in PE.

Oliver: for scoring full marks in his end of unit review. You have worked so hard. Keep it up!



### Big Hearts are awarded to:

Arthur: for his beautiful manners and his eagerness to help those around him.

Maddison-Rose: for her determination and aspirations to keep making her writing even better!

Belle: for always being kind and caring to her peers.

Children will receive their awards in assembly next week

## NOTICES

**Bank holiday Monday:** just a reminder that we are closed on Monday 1 May for the bank holiday.

**Parent Governor:** we are pleased to announce that our new parent governor is Mr Pearcey. We welcome him to our community of school governors and look forward to working alongside him.

**Numbers club:** our April winners are Bernadette Pugh (no 161: first prize £50) and Nicola Harrison (no 8 : second prize £20). Thank you to all our Numbers Club members. Your support of our school is much appreciated.

**Coronation lunch:** on Friday 5 May there will only be one lunch option, which is a special coronation packed lunch with a choice of sandwich together with crisps, crudités, a carton juice and a jam and buttercream cake.

**Non-uniform day:** on Friday 5 May we invite children to come to school wearing red, white and blue as part of our marking the coronation.

**Changes to music lessons:** in week beginning Tuesday 9 May, there will be no music lessons or band practice due to the SATs tests taking place that week.

**PE days:** please note the **change of PE days for Reception Class only**. On Thursdays please send your Reception child in their PE kit. On Fridays, please send your Reception child in uniform with their PE kit in a bag. For everyone else, please could children come to school on PE days dressed in their kit with their school jumper over the top. Many thanks.

**Miss Hawkins is running the Great North Run:** Miss Hawkins is training hard for the famous Great North Run in September and is raising money for a fabulous cause that's close to her heart. If you can, please sponsor her. Every little helps. You can read more about the event and Miss Hawkins' reasons for running, and add sponsorship [here](#).

**Extra bank holiday:** school will be closed on **Monday 8 May 2023** to mark the coronation of King Charles III.

**Term time holiday:** just a reminder that we cannot authorise holidays in term time unless the circumstances are deemed to be exceptional. LCC will issue penalty notices where unauthorised absences reach the necessary threshold.

**Packed lunch day:** As you are aware, the dinners are transported from the kitchen of another school. There is one remaining date this year when their kitchens will not be open due to inset days taking place. On 26 May 2023 we would ask that you send your children to school with a packed lunch. We will issue reminders nearer the time.

## The Week Ahead

Monday 1 May	School closed
Tuesday 2 May	Mr Warren in all day
	Class One PE
	Class Two PE
	Band practice 3.30 to 4.30

Wednesday 3 May	Swimming for Yr 3 and 4  Class One Forest School 3.30–4.30 (wellies and waterproofs!)  Class Two Multi Skills 3.30–4.30
Thursday 4 May	Reception Class PE (come in kit)  Class One PE  Class Two PE  Years 2–6 Musical Theatre 3.30–4.30pm  Class One teacher-led club 3.30–4.30pm
Friday 5 May	Non-uniform: wear read, white and blue!  Coronation lunch  Reception Class PE (come in uniform with kit bag)

### **Dates For Your Diary**

Monday 8 May	School closed for bank holiday
Tuesday 9 May	No music lessons or band practice
Tuesday 9 to Friday 12 May	SATs week Year 6
Sunday 14 May	First Holy Communion Mass 9am
Friday 26 May	All children need a packed lunch  School closes for half term at 3.30pm
Monday 5 June	INSET DAY children at home
Tuesday 6 June	School reopens

**We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine...**

Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that, in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity to our sisters and brothers in need.

May we walk in your ways, so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

**Wishing you all a pleasant weekend. See you on Tuesday!**