



St Catherine's C of E Primary and Nursery school

Weekly newsletter Summer term 2022 Week 6

Friday 10th June 2022



Head of School update

Welcome to the last half term of this academic year! It has been lovely walking around the classes and hearing about all the wonderful efforts and achievements from our pupils this week. Our Year 1 pupils have been tested on their phonics knowledge in the annual Phonics Screening check which is set by the Government. We will share the results with parents in school reports later this term. Children have impressed the staff with their behaviour and quality of work and I love giving out praise and Headteacher stickers for those special achievements. Keep up the great work children!

Today you will have received a leaflet outlining the importance of school attendance and punctuality. We have had so much disruption to education over the past two years and attendance at school is more vital than ever. We want to work together with our families to ensure your child/ren achieve the best outcomes during their time at primary school. Research has shown that a few days of absence and lateness can have a significant impact on these outcomes. Please be aware we will be following our attendance policy which can be found on our school website and contacting you to offer support if needed. Attendance is high on our agenda at St Catherine's as we want the very best for your children. We are starting to think about the next academic year and welcoming our new reception pupils into full time school in September. This is very exciting but sometimes quite daunting for parents. We want to make this experience as smooth as possible and have carefully planned a thorough transition programme this year. If your child attends preschool and is planning on continuing into our Reception class you will have received communication with important dates for your diary. Please let us know if you have not received this. We are always eager to welcome new pupils to our wonderful school. If you know of anyone looking for a Reception place for September or any other year group please ask them to call the school office and we would be happy to show them around. I have to say all visitors I show around the school always comment on what a calm, purposeful and friendly school St Catherine's is. We are very proud of our school and are thankful for our super pupils and supportive families.

I hope you are looking forward to this half term as much as I am and have noted down all the dates of the events we have planned in your diaries. Just like our Jubilee celebration, it is so wonderful to welcome everyone back into school to share all the children's great work.

Have a great weekend and look forward to seeing you next week. Best wishes

Vicky McCaig



Tea and Talk



Join with other members of our school community for a chat and catch up over a cuppa.

Everyone welcome.

Free refreshments

Every Wednesday morning 9am-9.45am



Every Wednesday morning we would like to invite you to our Tea and Talk session in the school hall between 9am-9.45am. Lots of parents and carers value connecting with each other and having the time to talk in a relaxed environment. We will be offering free refreshments and a friendly smile. If you would like to pop along you are very welcome.



next week

Scholastic Book Fair



The book fair will be held in our school hall from 3.20- 3.50pm every day after school next week.

Our Christian vision...

Working together. Growing together for all to flourish



UPCOMING EVENTS



Ice cream sale
Every Friday
after school



Summer term diary dates



HALF TERM
30th May - 6th June



- Children return to school - Tuesday 7th June
- Year 1 Phonics screening - Week beg 7th June
- Buzzards class swimming - 5 sessions 6th June- 17th June (more info to follow)
- Reading Parent Pop In - Wednesday 16th June 3pm
- New Reception Parents meeting - Wednesday 22nd June 2pm**
- Sports day - Thursday 23rd June
- Reports out to parents - Friday 1st July
- Non-uniform day - Friday 1st July donations for summer fair
- Parents consultations - week beginning 4th July
- Year 2 camp - Thursday 7th July**
- Summer fair - Friday 8th July 2pm
- School disco - Wednesday 20th July**
- Year 6 Leavers assembly - Friday 22nd July
- Y6 residential - Monday 25th - 27th July
- Last day of the academic year Wednesday 27th July

*these dates may be subject to change and additional dates added so please keep reading school communications

****Changes or additions are in red**

Thursday 23rd June



Years 1-6

We would like to invite you to join us for Sports day this year. Children in Year 1 to 6 will start with a carousel of activities at 10.45am until lunch time. Parents/carers can stay and join us for a picnic lunch on the field followed by the races in the afternoon. More information from Mr Tolley, our PE lead will follow.

Pre loved uniform sale

We would like to hold a pre loved uniform swap. If you would like to donate any used uniform your child has outgrown please send it in to the school office.

We will set up a stall during sports day so please help yourself.

Reading Parent
Pop In

Wednesday 16th

June at 3pm



WELL DONE!

Pupils are recognised around the school for demonstrating our Christian values. Watch this space to read about the wonderful behaviours our pupils are displaying everyday.



Our Y1 pupils for showing outstanding effort in their phonics tests

EXCELLENT!

Meet our new attendance bear



Class attendance award this week... with 97.8% is Buzzards
Our whole school attendance target is 96%

- Friendship
- Perseverance
- Justice
- Compassion
- Courage

Attendance prize draw



This half term all pupils with 98+% attendance will be entered into a prize draw with a chance to win a family ticket to the Bear trail.



AMAZING 100%

This week 118 pupils attended school every day!



Stars of the Term

- Ducklings - Sharmaine & Herbie
- Robins - Mason & Jordan
- Wrens - Ella. maddison & Willow
- Kingfishers - Caden & Lucas
- Kestrels - Ryleigh W & Jamie S
- Buzzards - Shalom & Mati



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★ Housepoints ★



- Fox Tor 1947
- Hare Tor 1869
- Crow Tor 2048
- Sheep Tor 2175

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