

Summer Newsletter 3

As we come to the end of the half term, we can hear a little about what each year group has been up to...

Another super half term in Year 3 with our brilliant topics about the Romans and Volcanoes! We've learned about what planet earth is made of, about tectonic plates and the Ring of Fire and are getting really good at naming continents. We have finished off our newspaper reports about the eruption of Mount Vesuvius and we are very close to the end of our brilliant book: The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe.

Year 4 have really enjoyed orienteering in PE. They have been using maps to find cones located at various places around school. This week, they even made their own orienteering course for other groups to follow and use! All 3 classes loved French Day this week. The children played bingo with numbers up to 30 in French, they designed a logo for the Paris Olympics and created pieces of art work inspired by the French artist Henri Matisse. Everyone enjoyed the croissants, pain au chocolat, brie, and grapes too especially as we had to ask for them in French.

Over the last few weeks, Year 5 have enjoyed exploring the continent of South America, investigating different biomes including the Atacama Desert and the Amazon Rainforest. A particular highlight was meeting some real-life rainforest creatures when Zoolab came to visit. The children have also enjoyed starting a new toucan art project, inspired by the works of Henry Rousseau.

Year 6's half term was always destined to be dominated by SATs. We've been immensely proud of how they tackled the whole process from beginning to end. There was palpable relief once it was over, but also the feeling that it 'wasn't actually that bad'! It hasn't all been maths, reading and grammar, however. Friday mornings have included Paceball down at Cottages; we've begun our look at the lesser known Golden Age of Islam and auditions for our Production – The School's o'vision Song Contest – have taken place.

Arriving on time

We have recently been seeing an increase in the number of pupils who have been arriving late to school. Please can I remind everyone of the importance of getting here on time. School starts at 8.45am and children who are regularly arriving late are missing out on a lot of important learning. Could you also remember that the playground is not supervised before 8.35am and children should not arrive before then.

Food Festival Thanks

Thank you to all who came along to the food festival last Saturday and I hope you had a brilliant time. It was a great event and the sun even managed to make an appearance. As you can imagine, a lot of hard work and effort went into organising such an amazing event and I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Arnold for putting the whole thing together.

Gold Sports Mark

Recently, we received confirmation that we had attained Gold status in the annual School Games Sports Mark. This award recognises our commitment to providing opportunities for all children across school. We attend many events organised by the County, Rushcliffe Borough and the Family of Schools.

Key dates for the rest of the year

Mon 27th – 31st May
Friday 21st June
Friday 21st June 3.30 – 5.30pm
Friday 28th June
Week beg 8th July
Tues 9th July 1.30pm
Wednesday 10th July
Week beg 15th July
Weds 17th July 1.30pm
Friday 19th July
Tue 23rd & Wed 24th July
Friday 26th July

Half Term
Maths Day
Summer Fair
INSET Day
Year 3/4 Health and Sport Week
Year 3/4 Sports Day
Class swap morning
Year 5/6 Health and Sport Week
Year 5/6 Sports Day
Year 6 leavers party
Year 6 production
Year 6 leavers assembly