

Newsletter

25th April 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't quite believe how quickly this year is going! I would like to thank the staff for organising so many lovely activities, visits and enrichment activities for the children this term and next.



Key dates

- 28th April – PD day
- 5th May – King's coronation Party PM
- 8th May – Bank holiday
- 9th May – Y3/Y4 visit to Captain Cook Museum
- 9th – 12th May Y6 SATs week
- 26th May - Break up for half term
- 5th June - PD day (children to return to school on 6th June)
- 7th June - Year 6 visit to Carlton residential, return on 9th June
- 17th June - Summer Fayre 1pm- 4.30pm
- 19th June – Healthy Sports week
- 30th June – Big family camp out
- 3rd July - Yr1- Yr6 Sports day 1.30pm - 3.15pm (reserve day, if the weather is poor, 14th July 1.30pm- 3.15pm)
- 4th July - Early Years' sports day 9.15am (reserve day, if weather is poor, 12th July 9.15am)
- 11th July – 13th July Y6 Bikeability
- 20th July – 2pm Y6 leavers' assembly

King's Coronation

On the afternoon of Friday May 5th, we will be holding a Coronation Party.



We invite all children to wear red, white and/or blue this day. They may also wish to go a step further and wear crowns or tiaras – bought or home-made, anything goes! (Please remember that the children will still have playtimes and outside games so clothes should be suitable for this).

We hope that the weather will be kind to us and we will be eating lunch outside- street party style – with music, bunting and table decorations.

At 1pm, there will be great excitement as we officially open our new adventure play trail with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Throughout the course of the afternoon, all children will get the chance to play on this.

At 3pm approx., all children and staff will gather around the flagpole at the front of school to sing the new national anthem whilst the Union Jack flag is raised. As with last year's jubilee celebrations, we invite parents, carers, grandparents etc. to join us for this.



We hope to make this a truly memorable occasion for all of our pupils.



Summer Fayre



Tickets for our Summer Fayre go on sale on 23rd May via SchoolComms. The summer fayre will be a lovely chance for us all to spend time together. We will have a large selection of stalls, inflatables, live music, plus lots more. All you need to bring is your camping chair, picnic and drinks! More details to follow.

Big Family Camp out

As you are aware, I do like to ask the children what they would like to do in the future. The children have requested a 'Big Camp out'



on the school field in the Summer. The date will be Friday 30th June. I am just planning the final arrangements with an offsite provider who will be offering a range of activities for the evening such as: archery, axe throwing, bushcraft, learning about fire lighting, shelter-building, outdoor cooking and team games. More details will follow over the coming weeks.

After school clubs up until May Half Term Holidays

Monday

- Sewing - Y3-Y6

Tuesday

- Relax Kids with Mrs Thomson - Yr1-6 (No Relax Kids on Tuesday 23rd May)
- **NEW CLUB** - Labman Lego Robotics Club with Miss Drew - YR4-6 (Starts 25th April)

Wednesday

- Dance with Mrs Barnes - Rec-Y6

Thursday

- **NEW CLUB** - Multi-Sports with Mr Sheahan Y3-6

Friday

- **NEW CLUB** - Netball with Miss Hugill - Y4-6
- **NEW CLUB** - King's Coronation Craft Club - Rec-Y6 - 21st April & 5th May
- **NEW CLUB** - Multi-Sports - Rec-Y2-Starts Friday 12th May - Details and booking will be available later.



Stay Safe Speak Out

Thank you to Chris and Margaret from the NSPCC 'Stay Safe and Speak Out' team for their informative and engaging workshop which they delivered to our Y5 and Y6 children last week. Speak out Stay safe is a safeguarding programme for children aged 5- to 11-years-old.

The programme helps children understand:

- abuse in all its forms and how to recognise signs of abuse
- that abuse is never a child's fault and that they have the right to be safe
- where to get help and the sources of help available to them, including our [Childline service](#).

All children from Y1- Y6 have had the opportunity to watch the Ant and Dec Speak out Stay safe assembly.



National Online Safety Accreditation

We are proud to say that we have once again achieved the National Online Safety Certified School Status for our whole school community approach to protecting children in the online world. Our staff, governors and some parents have successfully completed a comprehensive online safety training programme demonstrating our commitment to keeping children and young people safe online. The teaching of online safety is something we are very committed to at Durham Lane and we would like to thank our families who continue to support us with this at home.

Year 6

We would like to say a great big well done to all of the children in Year 6 for all the effort and hard-work that they are putting in to prepare them for their SATs. The children are focusing hard and can begin to look forward to their residential visit to Carlton.

Thank you

Kind regards,
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