

News and Information

Date: 13th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an extremely busy start to the Summer term. Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 have all ventured out on a school trip. For some of these children, it was their very first school trip so a very special memory for them. They all had an amazing time. This week, our Year 6s made us all proud with their attitude and application during their SATs. It is the first time since 2019, that Year 6s have had to take these assessments but they approached them in such a mature way and behaved impeccably throughout. They were a credit to us all. Year 2s have their SATs next week so we wish them all the best.

Even though there are only two weeks to go until half-term, we have a lot of exciting events coming up. Myself, Miss Mayer and Mrs Glover are taking Year 6 on their residential to Devon where we they will take part in lots of exciting activities: surfing, kayaking, abseiling, hiking etc. The rest of the school have the Jubilee picnic celebration on Thursday 26th to look forward to with live entertainment, a picnic and an ice cream van! Ms Martin officially returns on Wednesday 25th May—the children and staff are all very much looking forward to her return.

Mr W Gadsby

School Council Update



In our recent school council meetings, we have been looking at how we make our school more environmentally friendly. We have designed posters for our refuse and recycling bins in the classroom to make sure the right things are put in the right bins. We have



also allocated monitors to check that electricity usage is not being wasted when no on else in the room, e.g. ensuring that lights and monitors are turned off. In our next meeting we are discussing ways to link with a school in Kenya.

Key Dates coming up:



May

W.b. 16th—KS1 SATs Week

Monday 16th May—Class photographs

Thursday 19th—Mufti Day/ CineNight (FOBS event)

Friday 20th—Commonwealth Dance workshops for all classes

W.b. 23rd—Queen & Commonwealth Week; Year 6 trip to Skern Lodge

Monday 23rd—Year 3/4 Girls' Football competition

Thursday 26th—Year 2 Multi-skills event; Platinum Jubilee Picnic

Friday 27th—School closes at 3:15pm

June

W.b. 6th—School Sports Week—children in PE kit

W.b. 6th—Phonics Screening Check

Wednesday 8th—Reception trip to Amersham FSC Centre

Thursday 9th—Year 5 parent meeting—Skern & 11+ (2:45pm)

Saturday 11th—Summer Fayre

W.b. 13th—Year 4 Multiplication tables check; Year 1 Assessment Week

Tuesday 14th—Year 4 Multi-skills event

Friday 17th June— Sports Day

Year 4 Multiplication Check

When children are in Year 4, they complete a statuary times table check. The purpose of the check is to determine whether each child can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also help us as a school to identify any children who may require additional support. Here is some information:

- Year 4 children complete the check in June.
- Children will complete the in school on either an iPad or Chromebook.
- Altered access arrangements will be provided if necessary.
- The questions will require them to recall their times table facts up to 12×12 .
- There will be 3 practise questions followed by 25 times table questions.
- They will be given 6 seconds to answer each question.
- There is no pass mark for the check.
- Parents will be informed about their child's performance once the school has received their results.

Summer Term Challenge

When and where do you use maths?

You may use it when baking a cake, playing a game or when looking at which train or bus to

We are looking for the most inventive, imaginative or unique place you and your child use maths or see maths being used.

Each entry will earn you 5 do jo points and the winning entrants will be placed on the school's maths display and win a prize!

To enter please provide a photo and explanation by either giving a paper copy to the school office or emailing an electronic copy to: year56team@biertoncombined.bucks.sch.uk

Vocabulary

This week's word is:

subitise

When you subitise you instantly the number of objects without counting.

Example:

- Knowing there are 5 dots without counting them
- Children may also see











Thank you to our judges—Laura (our chef) and our friends from Waitrose. Waitrose also kindly donated the prizes for the winners.















Platinum Pudding/Jubilee Cake Competition

The standard for our Platinum Pudding/ Jubilee Cake competition was truly outstanding. We had a total of 87 entries which was a brilliant effort. It was lovely to hear the children talk about how they made it and how much fun they had. Thank you to everybody who donated after school as well—we made just over £500 which is brilliant and will go towards the celebrations organised for Thursday 26th May.





A huge congratulations to our winners. Our four judges had an extremely difficult decision to make. They made the decision based on taste and presentation. The winners all took home a recipe with everything that they needed to make the recipe, including a specially embroidered apron. I hope you have a lot of fun making it.

Platinum Pudding Jubilee Cake Competition

























