

Forthcoming Events

June

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| 18 th | 13:30 Lea Valley - District Sport Co |
| 19 th | 8:15am 9:30 Parents/Carers invited to Coffee Morning with Interim Head Teacher |
| 20 th | Swimming Gala Year 3 |
| 26 th | Whole school Photograph |
| 26 th & 27 th | LAMDA Exams |
| 28 th | Class 2 visit to Buckinghamshire County Museum |
| 28 th | 10:30 Whole school end of year mass-Yr. 3 & first communicants celebration |
| 30 th | 12:00 – 15:00 Summer Fayre |

July

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| 3 rd | 19:00 Yr4 & Yr5 Parents Secondary Transition Forum |
| 3 rd | Birthday Celebrations (May/Aug) |
| 4 th | Sports Day |
| 4 th | NO TEACHERS CLUB |
| 5 th | 19:00 Academic Evening |
| 9 th | 19:00 Year 6 – School Production |
| 10 th | Nursery & Reception Model Village Visit |
| 11 th | 18:30 Year 6 Leavers Service and celebrations |
| 11 th | NO TEACHERS CLUB |
| 12 th | 14:00 Term finishes |



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Message from the Interim Head Teacher

'Whoever does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother'. In this week's assembly we thought deeply about the ties we have with those around us. Not only did the children reflect on the many forms that a family can take, but they readily articulated what characteristics enables their friends to be considered their family.

We have invested a lot into ensuring that a family atmosphere is maintained at school and our children are always looking for ways to make it even more effective. Our School Council have proposed that family dining be enriched via Star dining, a reward for those who demonstrate the best manners and eating habits in the dining room. From what I have seen so far, it will be a very difficult choice. They are also increasing interaction across the years through Sports Leaders, where Class 6 members will teach younger students sport skills across their lunchtime.

Donuts with Dad created a busy atmosphere this Friday morning. Again the strength of our family partnership is reaping benefits and rewards. As with any family, we have had difficulties in communication in our past. At Vita et Pax, we are actively rectifying these. Children, parents and staff are already aware that my door is open for you to voice any concerns. The coffee morning on Tuesday 19th June 8:15 - 9:30am is also available for you. However, my voice and that of staff are not the only adults you wish to communicate with. Our governors will be hosting a Parent forum on Thursday 21st June, 7pm to 9pm. Again, the chance to communicate with us is being provided so clarity, as far as possible, can be gained on the overarching issues. The school leadership, education provision, car park negotiations and the construction of the governing body are all on the agenda. If you have another specific issue you would like raised then please let me know.

Our children have demonstrated the sound foundation from which their academic and social development is flourishing. On Thursday all of us, from Nursery to Class 6, joined all of the adults in a minute of silent reflection in respect for the lives lost at Grenfell Tower. On Friday we wished 'Eid Mubarak' to our Islamic community. The children's written work is capturing the depth of knowledge we would expect to see across subjects at this time of year. Year 5 have been studious through their changed timetable and have been maximising the learning time given to them. Nursery students have been building and articulating clear etiquette for picnics at the playground 'beach': sandcastle included! Those fortunate enough to have their learning outdoors have been a credit to the school. Trips to Whipsnade Zoo and Barnet Environmental Centre were a success with students demonstrating sound Science knowledge. Next week is even more hectic so please check the school calendar. I wish you a pleasant and family filled weekend with a special prayer just for our Fathers this Sunday.

Miss A. Gay
Interim Head Teacher

Headteacher Awards



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| Nursery | Nicole & Thomas |
| Reception | Nia & Isabella |
| Class 1 | Aravind & Shrinika |
| Class 2 | Emre & Aurelius |
| Class 3 | Krish & Toby |
| Class 4 | Maliha & Isobel |
| Class 5 | Nichelle & Rocco |
| Class 6 | Grace & Maria Nephele |
| SLT | Grace Gallagher, Raine Ruby Smith & Nimai Pandaya |

Lambert Lining up Cup



This week Year 2 has been awarded the Ben Lambert Lining up Cup, having accrued the most points this week.

Important Notice

We have had a complaint that one of our pupils has been walking their dog in the locality and allowing it to excrete on one of our elderly neighbour's lawn. Please be respectful of our community.



Nursery

On Thursday 21st June the Nursery children will be creating a Teddy Bears picnic. Please can you provide a picnic blanket and a Teddy for your child that day? The picnic will be at lunchtime, so there will be no changes to your child's routine.



Mrs Newton

Year 3 and 4 Whipsnade

On Monday, the 11th June, Classes 3 and 4 visited Whipsnade Zoo. Fortunately the weather was on our side which allowed us to enjoy an animal filled day in the sunshine. Both classes loved their separate two hour sessions, learning about the adaptation of sea lions, giraffes and butterflies. After this, we explored the rest of the zoo, searching for elephants, tigers, wallabies and the odd escapee goat!

A special thanks to Miss Callaghan, Mrs Aurelius and Mrs Brown for accompanying us.



Parish BBQ

Parents and children of the school are invited to a BBQ to be held at the Christ The King Church on the 7th of July at 7pm. There will be activities for the children, good food and friends plus the quarter final of the World Cup being screened.

Come and join us for a fun filled, family evening.

Tickets are £10 for adults and £3 for children and can be purchased from the Parish office.

Christ the King Church

PFA – Doughnuts with Dads



Maths Masterclass Year 6

A group of children from Year 6 attended the final Maths Masterclass at De Bohun Primary School on Thursday 14th June. The children endured a fully loaded day of Year 7 and 8 Maths including investigating circles using string and a compass, investigating Pythagoras theory and plotting points on a comparison graph. They used key vocabulary such as arc, tangent, diameter, circumference, chord, radius and sector when learning about circles and discovered through an investigation that three times the diameter of a circle plus Pi (3.14) equals the circumference. The children also used bar modelling to tackle some pretty challenging equations involving Pythagoras. We are very proud of how brilliantly our pupils reasoned and excelled on the day.

Miss K Callaghan

Thought Of The Day



