"Growing and Learning Together with God"



Summer Term 2 Value : Community, Citizenship and Service



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Newsletter 6 Summer Term *Queen's Jubilee & 150 Years Anniversary*

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Dear Parents and Carers,





Message from Mr Hart

It has been good to welcome everyone back this week; it has certainly been a full and exciting one!

The Year 1s have carried out their phonic screening assessments and we were spot checked by the Local Authority representative to inspect our procedures. I am pleased to say that everything was entirely acceptable and my thanks go to the staff involved. We have also been lucky enough to have the support of an Early Years Advisor in school to bolster our EYFS staff and pupils, the outcome of which has been extremely positive.

Mrs Churchill visited a local school as part of the Mathematics Mastery Programme, from which she will bring her expertise into our school and enable us to develop our provision.

As you are all aware, today we celebrate our 150 years of education at Fritwell along with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We very much enjoyed seeing the members of our community coming to this event and supporting our wonderful village school.

To continue our celebrations we are hosting our school Summer Fete at 5.00pm this evening and we would welcome as many of you as possible who are able to support this event. As always, my thanks goes to the FoFS team and all those who work so hard to make these special occasions in our school so memorable. Childhood memories are made on days like today; a time for the Fritwell school family to enjoy fun time together. Thank you to all for continued support.











Classes this Week

There has been celebratory chaos in all the classes this week, with painting flags and queens, creating crowns, learning patriotic songs, and practising English country dances for our event today.

At the start of the week the teachers greeted the children back to school in Victorian dress, depicting our school 150 years ago, and taught them according to that era. How lucky are our current day children!



The **Minnows** and **Tiddlers** have had a very exciting week, learning their songs and dance for the performance. They also enjoyed talking about the Platinum Jubilee and all the different ways they celebrated. Finally, they worked really hard creating their own crowns fit for a Queen; they decorated them with 2D shapes to look like jewels and gems.

Sticklebacks enjoyed Victorian week where they found out what it was like to attend school in Victorian times. They did some calligraphy handwriting, recited their times tables, wrote out the Lord's Prayer and National Anthem, and found out about the life of Queen Victoria.

Seahorses have had an amazing time being in a Victorian school! The children showed their *resilience* when learning their country dance; it was tricky to remember the routine but they got there in the end! They also began to explore Pop Art and recreated Andy Warhol's picture of Marilyn Monroe; however, they used the Queen as their model to celebrate the Jubilee. They also used their *inspired minds* and creativity while they were in the woods to create their own crowns out of nature.









Stingrays were greeted by an even sterner looking teacher when they returned to school on Tuesday. They responded really well to the rules of the Victorian classroom, embracing working in silence (for some of the time anyway!), participating in morning drill and practising their times tables by reciting them and writing them out - no IPADs or TTRS to help them this week! They have also learnt about key historical facts about the Victorian era and also found out about the reign of Queen Victoria.





Both music and PE have had a traditional theme this week, as **Stingrays** have been practising a traditional song and country dance for the jubilee and school anniversary celebrations. They definitely needed to show 'Endurance' whilst practising the dance and it has been lovely to see them work together to help each other learn the steps and keep in time, resulting in lots of 'Personal Success'. They are looking forward to showing you want they have achieved.

Sharks were transported back to 1872 when the school first opened. Mrs Montgomery wielded a cane and a dunce's hat – fortunately no one received these punishments. In Maths the class learned how complicated Victorian money was!

Their English lessons were really quite dull this week with lots of rote learning and dictation – as would have happened in the Victorian era.

Towards the end of the week the classroom has been a hive of activity preparing for today's celebrations.

A Celebration of the Queen's Jubilee and the School's 150th Anniversary













































We hope that these photos give those of you who could not be with us a taste of what today was all about and provide the rest of you with memories of your child(ren) on this special occasion.

We wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,

Jon Hart Headteacher



Mondays Mondays Mondays Tuesdays Tuesdays Wednesdays Thursdays Thursdays MfSF Music Lessons
Stingrays Forest School
Forest School Club – Years 1 to 3
Year 6 Brass
Adam Bradley Football Club
Sewing Club – Years 4 to 6
Early Years Forest School
Gymnastics Club – Years 1 to 4
Field Sports Club – Years 4 to 6

Tuesday 21st June Whole School Trip to Leamington Gurdwara Sikh Temple

Tuesday 28th June Rags 2 Riches Clothing Collection

Tuesday 28th June Tiddlers & Minnows Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Thursday 30th June Year 5 & 6 Boys' Cricket Final

Friday 1st July Sports Day

Tuesday 5th July Seahorses Sharing Assembly 2.45pm

Wednesday 6th July Class Swap Day

Wednesday 6th July New Starters Nursery and Reception Morning

Monday 11th July

Upper School Play Performance 6.00pm

Tuesday 12th July

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Tuesday 12th July Minnows, Sticklebacks & Seahorses Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park

Thursday 14th July iRock Summer Concert

Friday 15th July

Year 6 Leavers' Trip to Hill End

Monday 18th July

Year 6 Leavers' Barbeque Party

Tuesday 19th July Year 6 Leavers' Service and Presentation

Tuesday 19th July Last Day of School

Wednesday 20th July Start of Summer Holidays!

Wednesday 7th September Start of Term and new Academic Year