



Safeguarding hotspot

When you drop your children off in the morning, please do not stand in the staff car park to watch your children go into school. The car park is very busy and it is not safe to stand there. Thank you for supporting us in keeping the school community safe.

Records of Enjoyment!

We hope that you enjoy sharing your child's Record of Achievement, which they will be bringing home this afternoon. It was truly lovely to read of their learning opportunities and successes throughout this very challenging academic year, where they have experienced both remote and face-to-face teaching.

ENJOY, your children are **WONDERFUL!**

Congratulations to the England team!

We would like to congratulate our England football team, who have secured a place in the Euros final on Sunday night when they take on Italy! We wish them all the best with their final match and would truly love to sing, 'Football's coming home!'

Macbeth Workshops

Last week, years 5 and 6 were lucky enough to

participate in Shakespeare Rap Workshops run by Oliver Mason, Principal of the Pauline Quirke Academy Richmond.



The children learnt how to rap lines from Macbeth using the iambic pentameter rhythm.



Here is just some of what they had to say:

Year 5

"It helped me be less shy around other people. It was the best workshop I have ever done."



"I really enjoyed the rapping and acting. I enjoyed every minute of

it. Thank you for finding our hidden acting talents!"
"You taught Shakespeare in a special way that was really fun."

Year 6

"The workshop was amazing, it gave me the confidence to do the things I usually wouldn't."



"The workshop taught me so much about how people spoke in the Shakespearian era and how to be confident speaking in front of audiences."

"You gave me so much confidence with speaking, I will take that further in life. I am now very interested in Shakespeare and Macbeth."

"It taught me how to be confident and believe in myself."

"You taught me how to speak confidently without hesitating or being nervous and how not to be embarrassed anymore."

"An hour and a half felt like two minutes!"

"You really helped me understand how

Shakespeare wrote and what some words meant."

Kindness - requests for teachers / support staff gifts

Thank you to our community members who are super organised and have asked about Covid safe procedures if they wanted to leave a small summer gift for their child's teacher/ learning support staff.

We hope to provide a storage box outside of the classrooms on the 15th & 16th July, so that sufficient time will have elapsed in order that the gifts can be distributed and taken home by staff at the end of term.

Summer term finish times

Please be reminded that school breaks up on **Tuesday 20th July**. Please find the timetable for collecting your children at the end of the school day on 20/07/21:

Station Crescent:

Reception: 13:45 – 14:00

Years 5 & 6: 14:00 – 14:15

Queens Walk:

Years 1 and 2: 13:45 - 14:00

Years 3 and 4: 14:00 – 14:15

Acorn Centre

13.45 – 14.00

Lost property

If your child has lost any items of clothing etc., please check the lost property box outside the main office doors. Unfortunately, any items not claimed will need to be disposed of at the end of term.

Top tips on supporting your child's social, emotional and academic well-being

With summer holidays fast-approaching, we would like your help to keep your children's bodies and minds active! Please see below for some top tips on supporting your child's social, emotional and academic well-being:

Play dates! Play is the top tip for supporting your child's happiness and wellbeing - and it even helps them to learn! Children have the best imaginations - let them grow!

Trips out. You don't have to go far - a trip to the river or a park; a picnic; a special trip to a theatre or a museum or just somewhere new. Talking to your child about new places, people and experiences helps them to grow - and it doesn't have to cost money!

Exercise. Keeping active helps your child's physical

and mental health - get them moving!

Quiet time.

Unfortunately, due to our busy lives, we have had to re-learn how to be quiet, how to relax and how to be happy on our own or without electronic gadgets to entertain us! Help your child learn how to breathe and relax and be content.

Be independent. It is good news for you and good news for them - help your child to learn how to do things without your help e.g. tie their own shoelaces, make themselves (and you) a cold drink, tidy up, help with the household chores or with gardening. They will feel a sense of self-worth and you can praise them - which will make you both feel happier.

Read, read, read! The best thing you can do for your child's education and imagination is to nurture a love of books! Take a trip to the library or swap a book with a friend. Read to your child and have them read to you. They could even write and illustrate their own book - or you could do it together.

Times tables. If you do one piece of maths learning with your child this holiday, help them to learn their times tables.

They are vital for so many areas of maths. There are some fun ways of learning too: songs, chants, posters, flashcards and of course TT Rockstars. Just keep practising!

[Parents' Top Tips for Teaching Times Tables](#)

Family Learning course links for parents

An evening "Explore Behaviour Strategies" course that will give parents practical parenting ideas to try. Ideal for those parents worried about coping over the summer holidays.

[Explore Behaviour Strategies 2 week course 15th July and 22nd July 7.30-9pm](#)

[Applying for a Primary School Place for EAL parents Friday 16th July 1-2.30pm](#)

Ideas for fun summer activities before the summer holidays begin. There are two great workshops with spaces - one for parents of two to four year olds and one for parents of four to seven year olds. Enrolment links below:

[Ideas for summer activities 2-4 years 14th July 1-2.30pm](#)

[Ideas for summer activities 4-7 years 16th July 10-11.30am](#)



Living Streets WOW Scheme. The children can earn a new badge each month by coming to school in a healthy way. In June, the children of Ashford Park Primary School earned badges and were able to see how they did using the Living Streets WOW Travel Tracker.



In June the top 3 winners were:

- 1st Otter
- 2nd Swift
- 3rd Fox & Kestrel

The children need to arrive in school once a week in a healthy way and log this information in class to earn themselves a badge. Come on everyone let's get walking!

Achievement

MAC – Making Attendance Count
Whole School Attendance 96%

Congratulations to the Top Ted winners last week being Otter Class with 99.3%. Congratulations to the Top Dog winners being Woodpecker Class with 100%. Fantastic!

Certificates

Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week:

Olivia S, Darcie Y, Oliver G, Scarlett D, Barney G, Rebecca L, Evie W, Eden B, Razvan C, Jack E, Aarna G, Asa A. Mae P, Adwait S, Brooke H, Finley B, Archie R, Alexandra T, Louie H, Liam F, Siya D, Harshita G, Annelise L, Sammy L, Enrique S, Ola F, Amelia S, Isabel A, Max A, Gabriela S and Anqi L.



INSET Days 2020/21
21st July 2021

INSET Days 2021/22
1st & 2nd September 2021
22nd October 2021
1st July 2022
4th July 2022

July 15th – Year 6 Leavers Disco 4.30pm – 6.00pm