

WEXHAM COURT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tuesday 8th May 2018



Key Dates coming up for Parents & Carers

- Tuesday 8th May – Orienteering competition Years 5 & 6
- Wednesday 9th May – Fire Brigade in to see Year 5
- Wednesday 9th May – secondary school meeting for Year 5 parents (3:30-4:00pm)
- Thursday 10th May – SATs meeting for Year 2 parents (3:30pm in the Large Hall)
- Friday 11th May – Nursery Parents Workshop (2:45-3:15pm in the Computer Suite)
- Monday 14th-Friday 18th May – SATs week
- Friday 18th May – Lunch to celebrate the Royal Wedding
- Tuesday 22nd-Thursday 24th May – Book Fair
- Friday 25th May – Year 4 Anglo-Saxon Workshop
- Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June – HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Awards & Honours – Week Ending 4th May 2018



HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK					Total Year - 17/18	
House Name (Alphabetical)	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place		
Copper Beech				4 th Place	7425	3 rd
Horse Chestnut			3 rd Place		7717	1 st
Majestic Oak	1 st Place				7547	2 nd
Sycamore		2 nd Place			7184	4 th

<p>Attendance Awards Our weekly attendance winners</p>	ATTENDANCE		
	Year Group	Name	%
	1 st Place	Reception – Badger	99.7
	2 nd Place	Chile & Morocco	99.3
	3 rd Place	Tonga	99.0
Let's improve!	Australia	92.7	

<p>Star of the week Rewarding the exceptional work</p>	STARS OF THE WEEK			
	Year Group	Name		
	Reception	Insiyah Squirrel	Tamiah Hedgehog	William Badger
	Year 1	Tonga	Illakiyan Australia	Aqib Fiji
	Year 2	Mexico	Faaten Jamaica	Guvina Canada
	Year 3	Howard Chile	Essraa Peru	Lewis Ecuador
	Year 4	Jessica Mozambique	Alisha A. Tanzania	Job Morocco
	Year 5	Amira Hungary	Kamran France	Karina Italy
Year 6	Murium Thailand	Ashriel China	Umaymah Nepal	



Year Group	Class	Highest Points	Total Number of certificates per year group
Reception	Squirrel Hedgehog Badger	Erish (21,130pts) Adhruth (26,995 pts) Anas (45,374 pts)	Bronze - 132 Silver - 15 Gold – 1
Year 1	Fiji Australia Tonga	Harveen (60,441 pts) Abhijoy (125,067 pts) Rihija (143,836 pts)	Bronze - 376 Silver - 67 Gold – 11
Year 2	Jamaica Canada Mexico	Erin (210,736 pts) Vaneeza (131,589 pts) Aiesha (172,344 pts)	Bronze - 454 Silver - 77 Gold – 25
Year 3	Ecuador Peru Chile	Ranbirpreet (100,550 pts) Sahiba (16,701 pts) Oliver (102,917 pts)	Bronze - 339 Silver - 67 Gold – 11
Year 4	Mozambique Morocco Tanzania	Abbi (45,241 pts) Mariam (201,327 pts) Maliha (145,322 pts)	Bronze - 269 Silver – 54 Gold – 13
Year 5	France Italy Hungary	Fassi (154,935 pts) Arani (51,559 pts) Rhys (58,567 pts)	Bronze - 357 Silver - 71 Gold – 17
Year 6	Thailand China Nepal	Maksymilian (23,631 pts) Ashriel (54,340 pts) Dhilan (46,397 pts)	Bronze - 128 Silver - 22 Gold - 5

WINNING CLASS THIS WEEK: Jamaica!!!

School News Items - General Reminders – Messages

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous long weekend! I hope you all enjoyed the extra day and took full advantage of the sunny weather. We have several events coming up including a visit from the Fire Brigade on Wednesday 9th May for Year 5 and a parent workshop for Nursery parents to learn how to use the online Learning Books (Friday 11th May at 2:45pm in the Large Hall).

To celebrate the imminent Royal wedding, we have arranged for the pupils to have a ‘Royal Picnic’ on the field at lunchtime on **Friday 18th May**. The canteen will make sandwiches and finger food for us all to enjoy on the field. I urge you to encourage your children to have school lunch that day so that they too can feel a part of the celebrations. Year 6, having completed their SATs, will help the canteen prepare this lovely meal. Nursery will have a small picnic as part of their day, one for the morning and one for the afternoon group.

Next week is our Year 6 SATs week. Over the last few weeks I have had the pleasure of being in class with the pupils and am delighted to see the progress they are making. I know this is a time of stress for pupils as they take their first step into examinations. We will support them in this progress to ensure they are able to manage their stress levels and that it does not become too much. However a little bit of nervousness is not a bad thing. They need to feel that, so that they can find ways to deal with pressure themselves in later situations. They will start their day

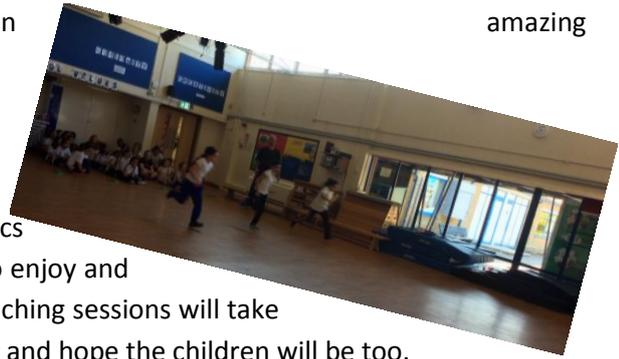


with a breakfast at school with their friends and the support of their teachers should they feel anxious. In class, the pupils have displayed very positive behaviours which I know they will relay. On the last day of the SATs (Friday 18th May), Year 6 will be able to go home early at 1:30pm. Please note that this does **not** include siblings.

Years 3 & 4 Training



We have been offered an opportunity for our Year 3 and 4 girls to be trained by a professional coach from Thames Valley Athletics



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Centre. This is to encourage our girls to enjoy and participate in more physical education and activities. The coaching sessions will take place every Tuesday for 6 weeks, we are very excited about this project and hope the children will be too.

'Race at Your pace'



RACE AT YOUR PACE

As mentioned last week, staff are participating in Race at Your Pace. The idea behind Race at Your Pace is to get everyone moving. Each month there are challenges of different distances that you can register for. Once registered, you have the entire month to complete your chosen distance in however many runs or walks as you like, wherever you like, whenever you like! And if you're successful, you get a medal as a reward for all your hard work! Staff have currently clocked up **113.3 miles**. If you look at the website (<https://www.raceatyourpace.co.uk/>) perhaps you could sign up in June with your own group, I am sure walking to school and back will count! Please think about giving it a go – if you're interested, please speak to Miss Thistle in Year 5 for more information.

Active movement – Active Everyday

Here is a daunting statistic. If we let the obesity crisis continue on its current path, by 2050 90% of the population will be overweight! Yet another programme appeared on TV about this crisis with Hugh Fearnley Whittingstall trying to fathom what to do about it. Though a lot of the focus was on food, he also looked a more gimmicky approach to activity using celebrities, slogans and the Northern run to increase activity. Not unsurprisingly, it failed to drive the change he was looking for. Instant success is difficult to achieve and certainly hard to maintain thereafter.

That is why the Active Movement is about behaviour change not exercise regimes. It is about everyday and consistent improvement that can accumulate into large gains over the long-term. Whether standing in class, going for a walks or preparing for exams, fill today with Active Movement for better health tomorrow.



Sun Smarts

Hopefully we will continue to enjoy the warm weather. Please remember to put sun cream on your children before school. They can bring sun cream to school and apply it themselves, but must have their name on it and not share it with other children. Sun hats are also a real must in this weather. The children have access to their water bottles all day, including at lunchtime so that they can keep sufficiently

hydrated. This is a good opportunity to discuss the importance of water and our body's ability to function without it.

Book Fair

We have the Book Fair people coming in on Tuesday 22nd May until Thursday 24th May, please come along and have a look, there are some truly amazing books on offer. If you know of a great book then please let us know and we will purchase it.



Times Table Competition

Our times table competition continued this week with quick-fire time's table questions. You can see the queue of children waiting to take part! Mrs Woodman's team (Majestic Oak and Copper Beech) won this week 63 points to 45! Well Done! Better luck next time Mr Dhillon.

Secondary School Meeting

A reminder that we will be having a meeting regarding applying for secondary schools on **Wednesday 9th May at 3:30pm**. A representative from Slough Borough Council will be coming in to talk to parents and answer any questions about the process that you may have.

Top Table

Well done to Chantelle (Year 6), Arabella (Year 1), Zaynah (Year 3), Gogul (Year 4), Rhys (Year 5) and Shazfa (Year 2) for all their hard work this week. As a reward they got to have lunch on the top table with Mrs Chahal.



Recipe



Tuna and Potato Salad

Great fresh flavours combine to make this tasty tuna salad – great for lunchboxes in hotter weather.

Ingredients:

- 800g new potatoes, scrubbed
- 2 tbsp lemon juice
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
- 1 small red onion, chopped
- 200g canned tuna in springwater, drained
- 2 handfuls cherry tomatoes, halved
- ¼ cucumber, chopped
- 1 pinch ground black pepper

- Basil leaves to garnish (optional)

Method:

1. Cook the potatoes in gently boiling water for 20 minutes, until tender.
2. Meanwhile, in a salad bowl, mix together the lemon juice, garlic and parsley. Add the red onion and set aside.
3. Drain the cooked potatoes and add them to the salad bowl while they are hot (they will absorb the flavour of the dressing as they cool down).
4. When the potatoes are cool, add the tuna, tomatoes and cucumber. Stir everything together gently and season with black pepper. Serve immediately, or cover and chill to serve later.

For a vegetarian version, replace the tuna with 100g reduced-fat feta cheese, cut into chunks.

Pack the salad in a box and complete your lunchbox with: 5 cherry tomatoes, fruit snack pot and 200ml semi-skimmed milk.

Twitter



Don't forget to follow on Twitter for daily updates, news and photos. We are keen to share our Twitter page with everyone, so please tell people about it. We do monitor it daily and if anything inappropriate appears, we will remove it. **@wexhamPS**

Community Postings

Please remember to look at the school noticeboards for information on local events.

'Learn to Balance and Ride' sessions for 3-9 year olds

Slough Council is keen to help all children in who live or study in the borough to learn to cycle confidently and competently on two wheels this summer. After school and holiday sessions delivered by Cycle Experience will be running at Salt Hill Park from 14 May onwards. All sessions are subsidised, bikes are provided and can be booked online or by phone for just £5.00 for two 50 minute sessions. For more information and to book please visit: <https://www.cycleexperience.com/Booking/BookNowAllCourses> or call 0330 024 1783 (Mon-Fri 0900-1700).

Datchet Water Sailing Club is offering Taster sessions for £5 during the month of May.

This is on a first come first serve basis and we thought you or your students might be interested. Should you wish to book you can do so by following this link <http://www.dwsc.co.uk/try-sailing-may-push-boat/>. We look forward to welcoming you on board. This is suitable for all ages from 8 – 80.