

Message from the Headteacher

Queen Elizabeth II 1926 - 2022

As many of you and your children will be, the staff and I are saddened by the news of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. I believe that every now and then moments in time happen which become a collective national memory; the death of our long serving monarch is certainly one of those.

As the period of national mourning begins Mrs Hindle led the school in paying respect to Queen Elizabeth in our assembly this morning. Mrs Hindle reflected on the amazing example of dedication and service to people all over the world that the Queen made and the fact that many people will be sad that she has died.

A candle was lit as a focus for thoughts. Mrs Hindle briefly discussed Queen Elizabeth's life focusing on her mother, father and happy childhood, becoming Queen in 1952 and her marriage to Prince Philip.

The assembly finished with recognising that Queen Elizabeth was the longest reigning monarch and recalling the lovely party we had in the summer celebrating her Platinum Jubilee and marking her 70 years of service.

The children watched the flame of the candle flickering away while listening to the National Anthem. It was explained to the children that in their classes they will have the opportunity to talk and ask questions with their adults and over the next few days will learn a little more about how the Queen has served us all.

As a school we will continue to support each other during this time and be particularly mindful of anyone for whom talking about death and passing may well bring back memories and feelings of personal loss.





Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 9th September 2022

Welcome

Welcome to the brand new school year and the first full week for children and families. All children and staff have settled very well back into the routine of school life and are pleased to be back together again. Our new Reception children have done an amazing job of separating from their parent/carers in the mornings and have managed full days.

Kooth.com

Kooth is an online tool to support the mental health and wellbeing of children and young people 10-25 years of age. There are no waiting lists and it is accessible 365 days a year. Given the challenges some pupils have returning to schools after a break there may be some tools and resources that are relevant/useful for our young people aged 10 and above and for any older siblings.



Rain!

We have had some wet weather this week – I am resolved never again to grumble about rain after the long hot dry spring and summer. We must embrace rain for its life-giving qualities! Thank you for ensuring that your children have all that they need to keep themselves dry during these times.

It's Behind You!

We are very pleased to be taking our Key Stage 2 children to the pantomime at the Marlowe Theatre again this year – look out for a separate letter coming out about this.

Water Bottles

Please be reminded that children need a bottle of water to drink during the school day. This must be plain water. Children may also bring in a flavoured drink – e.g. squash – however this will be for lunchtime, your child will not have access to this during lesson time.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Helen Comfort

Message from Class 6

Our children have returned to school this year looking smart and behaving beautifully. They have demonstrated what fantastic role models they can be for their younger peers and have impressed many members of staff too. Special thanks go to our eight 'Buddies' who have been supporting our youngest members of the school at lunchtimes; Braylen, Caitlin, Hannah, Chloe, Reagan, Lewis, Chloe and Lucie.

In class we have been unpicking the nonsense poem 'The Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll; discovering the portmanteaus he uses as well as the syllable and rhyming structure used within the poem. We have also made huge efforts to recite some of the poem off by heart! In maths, we have been reading and writing numbers up to ten million.

A brilliant start to the year!

Miss Brett





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Coronavirus Symptoms

On Tuesday 29 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the next steps for living with COVID-19 in England from Friday 1 April.

Updated guidance

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. Children and young people with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days, which is when they are most infectious.

Adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious.

Star Awards

w/e 9th September 2022



Class 1 – Daniel

Class 2 – Mason

Class 3 – Lilia

Class 4 – Kieran

Class 5 – Ruby

Class 6 – All of Class 6

Individual School Photographs

The individual pupil photographs will take place on Tuesday, 13th September – clean uniform, shiny faces and a big smile please!



The Week Ahead!

Lunch menu: Week 2

Week commencing 12th September 2022

NO CLUBS!

Monday, 12th September – Class 6 Forest School session all week

Tuesday, 13th September - School Individual Photographs

Wednesday, 14th September – 3:15pm Open Afternoon – ‘Meet the Teacher’

