Dear Parents and Carers.

What a glorious end to the half term – let's hope the lovely weather continues through next week! The pupils have been very busy today putting the prospective candidate teachers through their paces, interviewing them and having some sample lessons. We are very proud of them - they behaved brilliantly and asked plenty of thoughtful questions and were a credit to the school and yourselves.

Message from Mrs Gillon

We have had another busy week and have been really impressed with how everyone has been embracing our school values. The Year 2s have been true champions and really embraced the challenge of the KS1 SATs. As we said last week, this supports teacher judgement and is not something we intended to become stressful.

Children across the school have really enjoyed exploring our values and what positive behaviour looks like. Together we have co-constructed our updated positive behaviour strategy and we have attached a draft for you to see. The simple visual model provides a shared understanding between staff and children so that there is a consistent approach to behaviour management. This week I have been blown away by how our children have been displaying our core values through their language and actions. As we continue to work on this area, we will develop the model and a final version will be sent out next half term.

As you will be aware, we have advertised for a new teacher for September. Interviews are being held this week and once an appointment has been made, we will share this news with you.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break and I look forward to seeing you when we return on Tuesday 7th June.

Platinum Jubilee event

Please come and join us for a cream tea on Tuesday 7th June at 2.30pm. The Parish Council have kindly donated us a plaque & a crab apple tree for The Queen's Green Canopy which we will plant to commemorate the Jubilee. The PTA have kindly offered to provide the cream tea.

Multi Skills Olympics Day - Message from Mr Luxa

Years 1 and Reception will be going to Tedburn School for an Olympics Day on Weds 8th June. The pupils will travel by coach during the school day. Please can parents send their children to school in their PE kits with a packed lunch (or place an advanced order for a school one by 9am on Tuesday 7th) along with a water bottle, sun hat, sun lotion and raincoat. It should be a fantastic day full of fun and different activities for all the children to enjoy. The event itself will be run organised and run by myself and the YR 5 and 6 children from Tedburn.

Uniform

Please could parents check their child's school jumpers and update/refresh name labels. We have had a few named ones go missing but some unlabelled ones added to lost property. Thank you.

Statutory Testing

The phonics screening of pupils in Year 1 will be conducted the week commencing 6th June. Year 4 will have their multiplication times tables check week commencing 20th June. These are assessed using a computer programme that is presented as a fun game, so will not be at all daunting for the children.

School Garden

As the weather warms up, the PTA are beginning to work on the school garden. If there are any willing volunteers to give a hand for an hour or so after school or at a weekend please see Helen Ticehurst, Kelly Mitchell or email yeofordschoolpta@gmail.com. Thank you.

Sun safety

As the weather starts to improve, please make sure that children arrive at school with sun cream applied and a sun hat. If your child needs sun cream reapplied during the day, please make sure they know how to do this themselves. Children also need a labelled water bottle with them every day as we do encourage them to drink regularly.

After School Clubs

Mr Luxa will be starting an afterschool Fun Run Club for Years 3 to 6 on Thursdays. This will run from 3.30pm to 4.30pm starting on the 9th June to 21st July (No club on 30th June after Sports Day). Please book your child's place on ParentPay selecting the afterschool club until 4.30pm.

Belinda & Miss Matthews will still be running their usual afterschool club nights for the younger ones and for those who would rather not do the Fun Run Club. See the flyer attached with details for next term!

Yeoford Pre-school bookings for Sept 2022

We are already planning ahead for next year and wanted to be able to give you the opportunity to book in places for Autumn term 2022.

Please make your selections for the sessions on the link below if you would like to book your children in for next school year.

Please speak to Miss Wright, who will be class lead teacher in Bumblebees, or email admin.yeoford@thelink.academy if you have any questions around this. Many thanks. https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=yQ0V4 Sec0WRRGeMKx2k XwSFudtUJtArrVLqC Lauv9UREhWMFZQSUZFRE00RFJHMIVaUUpYSFdKQy4u

Key dates for your diary

Mon 30th May Half-term week Mon 6th June Non-pupil day

Tues 7th June 2.30pm Jubilee cream tea at school & commemorative tree planting (all welcome)

Weds 8th June Multi Skills Olympics Day at Tedburn for Years 1 & Reception

Thurs 9th June 3.30pm to 4.30pm Fun Run Club with Mr Luxa on Thursdays (not 30/06)

Weds 15th June 2.30pm Year 6 information session with QE (at Yeoford) Weds 15th June 6pm Year 4 & 5 QE parents information session (virtual) 1.30pm Sports Day at the recreation ground (all welcome)

Weds 6th July Year 6 transition day at QE Thurs 7th July Year 5 taster & fete day at QE

Thurs 7th July Sports enrichment day with Mr Luxa at the recreation ground Thurs 14 & 21 July Swimming lesson afternoons for Years 1 to 6 at Lords Meadow

Fri 22nd July Leavers Service at 1pm

Fri 22nd July Last day of term – early finish at 2pm

Have a wonderful half-term everyone 😂