Academy Newsletter

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This week we have been celebrating British Science Week. The week started off with a 'bang' with a visit from Silly Science. The children thoroughly enjoyed the show, whilst learning lots about the scientific world. The classes have been carrying out different science experiments and learning about famous scientists. Hopefully we have some future chemists, forensic scientists, or environmental scientists in our midst!

We also held two more Free Range assemblies this week. Thank you to the Year 5 and Year 6 parent/carers who were able to attend. It is always fantastic to see what the children have been learning in class and the hard work that they have put in. Thank you to the Year 6 parent/carers who stayed for the SATs meeting after their assembly, we hope you know more about the process and learnt a thing or two from the House and Vice Captains.

Today marks the start of Holi festival. We learnt about this Hindu festival of colours in our celebration assembly. It marks the start of spring which is very much welcomed right now. Hopefully you will be able to take the time to appreciate the spring weather this weekend. Enjoy.

School Website

We have been working hard to update the Academy website in response to the parent questionnaire we sent out. Hopefully you will find more up to date information and photographs on the class pages, including the curriculum maps for the present and upcoming term. More information about what the children learn can also be found in the 'Our Curriculum' section on the main menu. Each subject has its own page, and a long-term plan can be located at the bottom of each one. Hopefully this will give you more of an insight of what your children have and will be learning. We are also updating the 'Latest News' section to inform you of upcoming events. There are still more

improvements to come, but we hope you find the website more usable and informative.





Seedlings Nursery

Places still available!

Please email the office for details and to secure your child's place





Joshua – Year 1

Mayah – Year 1

Anya – Year 4

Parking

Please be mindful when parking your vehicles, particularly on Beddington Road. It has been brought to our attention that several driveways are being blocked and access is being prevented from the owners.

Thank you for your support in this matter



Eggshibition

This year's eggshibition will be entitled 'Your Eggcellence' in recognition of Her Majesty The Queen. On 6th February this year Her Majesty The Queen became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth. We would like you to represent this using real blown eggs or pretend ones. Prizes will be given for the best entries and all entries will receive a small token for taking part. Entries need to be brought in school on Thursday 31st March ready for judging. I am sure you will have some eggcellent ideas!



Stars Of the week!	
Nursery	Marko
EYFS	Antonia
Year 1	Victoria
Year 2	Teddy
Year 3	Milo C
Year 4	Esme
Year 5	Michelle
Year 6	Stanley

Attendance

EYFS	92.33%
Year 1	95.0%
Year 2	96.33%
Year 3	85.94%
Year 4	95.0%
Year 5	90.0%
Year 6	85.76

The winning class this week was Year 2 gaining 2 stars in the Space Race.

Unfortunately, no class has won one star this week as they did not achieve over 97%.

Collections

If somebody else is collecting your child from school, please contact the school office before 2.15pm. This will enable us to get the messages to the children in time.



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Absence

When reporting your child absent please state their symptoms so we can record their absence accurately.



Outstanding Balances

Please ensure all your invoices/debts are paid. If there is a debt on your child's account, we may not be able to provide them with a hot meal.



Enterprise Sale and Jubilee Celebrations

Those of you who keep a keen eye on the newsletter will have noticed that we have removed the upcoming enterprise sale on the dates section. We have decided to move this event to coincide with our Jubilee celebrations, so classes will be making and selling products linked to this special event. We are looking at holding a Jubilee Day on the last day of the May half term, Thursday 26th May. More information will follow, but we are planning a red, white and blue day, an afternoon of games and fun with the children and some fundraising stalls provided by the PTA. Please pencil this date into your diary as it will be lovely to celebrate this as a

community.





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Citizens Course

Children on the 'Sports and Young Citizen' course this week were thrilled to receive a visit from the Metropolitan Police Officers who spoke about their work and showed them various items of equipment that they take out on patrol. They learned much about how Police Officers are there to help people as well as respond to emergencies. Finally, all the children were allowed an up-close tour of the police vehicle officers use, and much to their delight they were allowed to operate the blue lights and sirens - the PTA apologies to staff inside the Academy who may have had to reach for headache tablets!





Diary Dates

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes. Amendments are in **Blue** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 22 nd March 2022	Year 2 Free Range Assembly 9:00am – followed by SATs meeting
Thursday 24 th March 2022	Year 1 Free Range Assembly 9:00am – followed by Phonics meeting
Thursday 31 st March 2022	Lower Key Stage 2 Easter Passion
Friday 1 st April 2022	Mass – Pupils only
Friday 1 st April 2022	Last day of term – Stars finish at 4.30pm

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022	First day of term
Monday 2 nd May 2022	Bank Holiday
Thursday 26th May 2022	Last day of half term - Stars finish at 4.30pm
Friday 27 th May 2022	May Replacement Bank Holiday for Queen's Jubilee
Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June 2022	Half Term Break
Monday 6 th June 2022	First day of half term
Monday 6 th June 2022	Year 6 School Journey - Thriftwood
Friday 22 nd July 2022	Last day of term - Stars finish at 4.30pm