

# MAY NEWSLETTER



COCKWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April , 2022

## The Queen's Jubilee Pageant

We are all **VERY** excited to share our Jubilee Celebration with family and friends tomorrow on the Village Green. If you have been lucky enough to receive a platinum ticket then please meet us on the Village Green at 1.50pm/2pm. The children will be having their own pageant and processing down the hill from school and we have a few surprises up our sleeve! The field adjacent to the Village Green, off the A379 (left just after the bus stop), will be available for parking, there is a gateway to walk through. However, if you do park here please be careful when exiting the site and pulling back out onto the main road. Alternatively, please park along the road opposite Kenbury Crescent and walk around the harbour; we do not want to upset our neighbours by parking inconsiderately. We want this to be a joyous occasion that everyone can enjoy. Don't forget to bring a chair, sun cream and sun hat (maybe an umbrella-just in case).

When you arrive please find the staff who have clipboards to get yourself checked in, we need to ensure we know who is on the field during the afternoon. There will be a coned off area for you to wait; staff will get the children sat at the tables and then we ask you to find your child and sit opposite them. During the afternoon, the children will be providing entertainment and there will be some activities on the tables for you to do. Afternoon tea will be served to the table.

If you need to use the toilet, in an emergency, the Village Hall will be open. Only staff will be allowed to do toilet runs with pupils for safeguarding purposes. We will release pupils at 3.30pm from the field, but please make sure you have spoken to the Class Teacher before taking your child. Pupils **do not need to bring anything with them on Friday**, except a drinks bottle, but if they do have a packed lunch box, coat, book etc to collect you will need to walk them back up to school to collect before they go home.

Please can we remind you for a £3 donation on the shop section of School Money, towards the cost of this event, if you haven't already done so.

### CLASS 1 RESIDENTIAL TO THE LONDON

There will be a Parent's Meeting in Class 1 after school on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 3.35pm. We will go through the itinerary, kit list and expectations for the trip. Please attend as there will be lots of information shared and forms to sign. If you have any questions please bring them to the meeting or contact one of the Class 1 team.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee event on the Village Green

MAY 3

Half term holiday

W/C 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Year 1 Phonics Screening

Year 4 Multiplication check

WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Class 2 River Dart, Bellever trip

THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Dartmoor 3 ball event Year 3 & 4

EMPATHY DAY across the school

FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Sport's Day (first provisional date)

*Details to follow after half-term.*

WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Class 1 London Residential Parent's Meeting 3.35pm (in Class 1)

THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Dartmoor 3 ball event Year 5 & 6

FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Mix Festival at Killerton

MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Class 1 Residential to London (4 nights)

FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Sport's Day (2<sup>nd</sup> provisional date)

## FOOTBALL

Our Year 5 and 6 children have represented the school in two football tournaments this month. They demonstrated excellent teamwork but unfortunately were both beaten by Gatehouse School. Mr Keast was proud of their enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Better luck next time!

## INTERNET SAFETY #BEINTERNETLEGENDS

Both Class 1 and Class 2 took part in a national online safety assembly, they explored an interactive online game called 'Interland', which recaps and revisits how to identify risk and keep yourself safe in a virtual world. Any child that has access to the internet must be given the tools and knowledge to know what to do if they are worried or upset by something they see or hear.

The game is free to play online at home:

[https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en\\_us/interland](https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en_us/interland)

## ALWAYS CLUB TREAT

As a treat, our Always Club members enjoyed a very special trip to The Local Scoop in Dawlish for ice-creams. As you can see from their smiling faces they had a lovely time and they were a credit to the school, their behavior was excellent and everyone sat nicely and waited for each other to finish. Well done.



## CLASS 2 RESIDENTIAL TO THE MANOR HOUSE, OKEHAMPTON

What a fabulous time Class 2 had at their overnight residential to The Manor House in Okehampton. The children thoroughly enjoyed a wide range of activities including climbing wall, roller disco, badminton, table tennis, adventure golf, fun house, five a side football and dancing. A super couple of days and lovely to see the children blossom in a different environment. Thank you to Mrs Brewer, Mrs McKenzie, Miss Godbeer, Miss Lush and Mr Genders who helped to make this trip a memorable one. The manager of the hotel said other hotel guests had commented on how well behaved and polite the children were as they moved around the hotel. Feedback like this is lovely to receive.



## YEAR 6 FOREST SCHOOL

Year 6 enjoyed a session at Forest School to help them switch off and relax after SATs. They made chocolate orange brownies and played with the equipment. Unfortunately, they missed their second session due to staff illness but Gin (the Forest School lead) will make up that session in July.



## THE RIVER OF HOPE ARTWORK

Don't forget to look out for our Cockwood School flag in The Queen's Jubilee Pageant on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June, the winning entries are now live on the website <https://thamesfestivaltrust.org/river-of-hope/> Pupils have also made bunting to decorate the marquee on the lawn in Dawlish for their Jubilee celebrations.

## KS2 SATS WEEK

We are very proud of our Year 6 children who worked really hard to do their best during SATs week. They enjoyed breakfast every morning in Class 3 and then played with their friends on the playground. This is a tradition we have missed over the last few years so it was great to see them bonding and supporting each other during this challenging week.



## ATTENDANCE

Please be aware I **cannot** authorise any term time holidays. Children have missed so much schooling during the pandemic and every day is important to their learning. We must work together as a school to ensure our attendance is the best it can be. Currently for the school year our overall attendance is 93% and we need to improve and aim for at least 95% by the end of the academic year. We all have our part to play to ensure the children are here every day.

## MAY 50/50

1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE- **£50.00** Becki Breakwell

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE- **£20.00** Beck Tallamy

3<sup>rd</sup> PRIZE- **£10.00** JOY TAYLOR

## FINALLY...

*One more half term to go until the summer holidays, once we are back we still have lots of amazing things to look forward to, including: Bellever River trip, London Residential, Year 6 show, Sport's Day, Youth Parliament, the Mix Festival and the Devon County Show. I am always eternally grateful for everyone's support and events such as the Jubilee Celebration would not happen if I couldn't rely on the staff team to go along with my madcap ideas! Please join me in saying thank you for always going above and beyond what is expected. Have a super week off and enjoy celebrating the Jubilee with your own family and friends and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.*

*Alison Roper*