John F. Kennedy Primary School The Buzz Newsletter



30th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are at the end of yet another interesting week at school.

Year 1: It was lovely to see the hall full on Tuesday afternoon, as family joined our year 1 pupils to build their own house for a little pig to keep them safe from the big, bad wolf. We have some very talented and imaginative pupils (and adults), who created some amazing finished pieces of work.

Educational Visits: To support our curriculum, some of our Treehouse pupils walked to The Galleries on Tuesday, where they went to visit the local pet shop. On Wednesday, our year 2 pupils became detectives as they walked around the local area to identify human and physical features.

Year 6: As part of transition, our pupils have visited their chosen secondary school for 3 days this week. This was to give them a flavour of what to expect in September. They have come back bubbling about their experiences, so hopefully they will feel happier about what to expect in the Autumn term.

Little Wandle Reading Books: As the end of the school year is fast approaching, Miss Anderson will be carrying out an audit of our home reading books to check if we have all the correct stock for September. This means that the there will be no guided reading books sent home for the remainder of this term for reception, year 1 and 2. We are asking for all home reading books to be brought back next week please, before Tuesday 4th July. We are conscious that some books have not been returned as yet, and just wanted to send a gentle reminder to return these so we can ensure we have the correct amount for September.

If you have any questions regarding this, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Parking and Road Safety: Some of you may know there was an incident on Wednesday morning relating to road safety. Whilst the incident was not linked to parents parking around school grounds, I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate the importance of being considerate if you need to use the car around the school. You may have noticed the posters along the school fence, which were designed by our pupils, to help remind everyone how to park safely and not block gates or pavements. Thank you for your cooperation with this ongoing matter.

Strike Action: Further to my letter issued on Tuesday, I would like to confirm school will only be open on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July to the following year groups: **Year 3 and Treehouse**. We have also invited a small group of children outside of those year groups to come into school; those families have been contacted separately. Thank you for being so understanding with the situation.

Summer Fayre: Our annual summer fayre will now be held on **Thursday 13th July,** starting at 3.30pm. We would welcome any donations of chocolate and alcohol for some of our planned activities. Please note if sending in alcohol, we do ask for this to be brought in by an adult and handed in to a member of staff on the yard, or at the school office.

In addition, if you know of any local businesses which would be able to support our summer raffle by donating a prize, please let Mrs Watson know at the school office.

Sports Week: Next week, we are focussing on sport. Washington Taekwondo Club will be in school on Monday for KS2 pupils and Tuesday for KS1 pupils, where they will have the opportunity to learn skills relating to this sport. Pupils can be in PE kit on the appropriate day. Change4Life will also be running workshops with some of our classes.

Sports Day: Please see below confirmation of this year's Sports Day schedule following the message we issued yesterday:

Week Commencing 3 rd July				
Day	Morning	Afternoon		
Tuesday		Treehouse EY & KS1 – 1:30pm-2:30pm		
		Reception – 1:30pm-3:00pm		
Thursday	Year 1 & 2 – 9:30am-11:00am	Treehouse KS2 – 1:30pm-2:30pm		
		Year 3 & 4 – 1:30pm-3:00pm		
Week Commencing 10 th July				
Day	Morning	Afternoon		
Friday	Year 5 & 6 – 9:30am-11:00am			

Family and friends are invited along to watch the excitement unfold. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately in their PE kit, and can they remember a water bottle.

Swimming: Lessons will still be taking place next week for year 4 and Treehouse pupils.

Forest School: Please send your child into school dressed appropriately for their session – long sleeves and trousers, wellies and a waterproof coat if possible. Forest School still takes place when raining, and we don't want children sitting in class with wet clothes, so it would be useful to provide spare clothing/shoes on the day.

Week Commencing 3 rd July			
Day	Morning	Afternoon	
Monday	Treehouse	4AF	
Tuesday	3MA	1ES	
Wednesday			
Thursday		Nursery	
Friday			

Exciting Opportunity: We currently have vacancies in school for Lunchtime Supervisors. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in joining our school please contact the school office to request an application form.

Breakfast and After School Club: Please use the following link to book your child into Breakfast and After School Club for week commencing 3^{rd} July - \underline{B} & ASC Booking Form. It is important that the booking form is completed as we are almost full for our pupil/staff ratio. Please ensure you advise staff of any dietary requirements your child may have.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes.

Mr B Adams Head of School



Stars of the Week

Year Group	Class	Star of the Week
Nursery	NAO	Freddie G
		Yahya H
Reception	RSC	Махі С
		Lennox B
	RAM	Ayda D
		Ayesha B
One -	1ES	Lilly-Mae C
		Louie H
	1MS	Ceejay C
		Harrison G
Two	2MA	Ronin S
		Sophia S
TWO	2FM	Рорру Н
		Jackson M-B
Three	ЗВМ	Tommy C
		Alice D
	ЗМА	Imogen W
		Sophia HH
	4AF	Alfred R
Four		Mason C
Pour	4IT	Lennox B
		Thea C
Five	5RN	Alfie M
		Louie M
	5DF	Holly R
		Annabelle R
Six	6PP	
	6LM	
The Treehouse	TSK	Emma W
	TNP	Dylan C