



28th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of another week at John F Kennedy Primary School. It may have been a shorter week for some of our pupils, but this has not stopped lots of interesting lessons and activities from taking place.

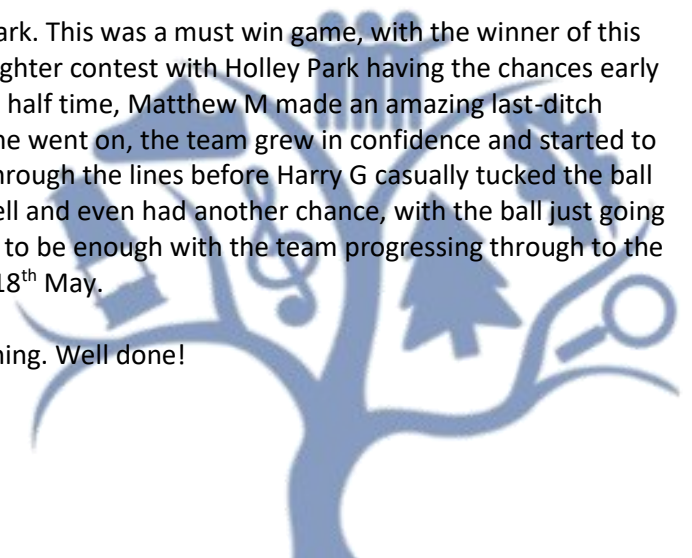
Year 3 Rebound Festival: On Thursday morning, year 3 were lucky enough to attend a trampolining festival where they hopped, bounced and jumped all morning, using a range of sports equipment at AAA Sports in Sunderland. Everyone had the chance to use the spring floor, air track, table vaults, box vaults, trampettes and the large trampolines. They learnt and practised new skills as well as improving already learnt techniques, some of them impressing the instructors enough to earn a special certificate. By the end of the morning, the children had bounced so much, the year 3 teachers were convinced they had swapped their classes for leap frogs or kangaroos.



Football: This week saw the school football team compete in the first round of the Columbia Cup at Holley Park Academy. The first game was against Barmston. During the first half, a corner from Jack C met the head of a defender resulting in an own goal, giving the team the lead going into half time. Finley M had the best of the chances in the first half to double the lead, however, was denied by the goalkeeper. The team started the second half just as strong, showing excellent passing to carve out opportunities from the get-go. Billy B was able to capitalise midway into the second half, being in the right place at the right time to score the second of the game. In the final minutes of the game, Finley M was able to secure the 3-0 win with a close-range effort.

The second game of the night was against the hosts, Holley Park. This was a must win game, with the winner of this game progressing through to the next round. It was a much tighter contest with Holley Park having the chances early on, but the team were able to weather the storm. Just before half time, Matthew M made an amazing last-ditch block to prevent Holley Park from taking the lead. As the game went on, the team grew in confidence and started to dominate. Building from the back, the team passed the ball through the lines before Harry G casually tucked the ball away into the bottom corner. The team defended the lead well and even had another chance, with the ball just going inches wide of the far post. The only goal of the game proved to be enough with the team progressing through to the final of the Columbia Cup, which will take place on Thursday 18th May.

A brilliant display from everyone that played on Tuesday evening. Well done!



PE Lessons: Children can wear their PE kit to school on the day. This should be a plain white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms/leggings and trainers. A jumper can also be worn. At this time of year, PE is generally now on the yard or field depending on the weather.

Week Commencing 1 st May		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday		
Tuesday		Year 2
Wednesday		Year 4
Thursday	Year 3	Year 5
Friday	Reception Treehouse swimming	No swimming for Year 5

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.

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Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday		
Tuesday	3BM	
Wednesday		RAM
Thursday	2FM	Nursery
Friday		

Coronation Celebrations: Next Friday, we will be holding a whole school focus for the pupils to begin the coronation weekend. We would like all pupils to wear red, white, and blue clothing for the day and bring a small snack to eat during the afternoon. Staff have organised a carousel of activities which will be completed by all pupils during the afternoon to commemorate the festivities.

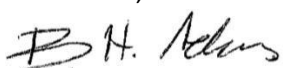
There is also still time to book a school dinner on Thursday 4th May, which will serve a range of food based around the coronation of King Charles. Please fill in the link below if you would like your child to join with this meal.

Industrial Action: Next Tuesday, NEU members have another day of industrial action arranged. Unfortunately, we are unable to open the school fully and therefore the same arrangements which were sent in the previous letter to parents will be in effect.

Breakfast and After School Club: Please use the following link to book your child into Breakfast and After School Club for week commencing 1st May – [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 and enjoy the Bank Holiday.

Best wishes,



Mr B Adams
Head of School





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Primary School



Stars of the Week

Year Group	Class	Star of the Week
Nursery	NAO	Frankie P Elio B
Reception	RSC	Esmee – Louise M Jack M
	RAM	Robbie H Elliott H
One	1ES	Dixie P Oliver R
	1MS	Nancy H Harper P
Two	2MA	Jacob B-M Sophie J-H
	2FM	Carson S Hatty C
Three	3BM	Cora P Tymon B
	3MA	Norah R Emily- May M
Four	4AF	Darcy G Amelia T
	4IT	James J Georgia T
Five	5RN	Ava C Ellie- Mai A
	5DF	Charlie S Sam M
Six	6PP	Emily P Ellie-Jane M
	6LM	Georgia C Lily C
The Treehouse	TSK	Riley P
	TNP	Dylan A

Head of School Award

This week, Mr. Adams' Head of School Awards go to:
Archie C for his work ethos – he has been 100% focussed at all times.
Hannah J for scoring 100% on her practice SAT maths papers this week.
Daniel M for taking part in the Rebound Festival – this is a huge achievement.
Well done to all 3 pupils!

