

# John F. Kennedy Primary School

## The Buzz Newsletter



17<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we have made it to the end of another week. It's been very strange weather wise at the moment, from warm sunshine to heavy snow. I'm hoping we are now starting to feel the benefit of Spring.

**Bike Training:** Miss Fort's class completed level 1 and level 2 Bikeability on Monday and Tuesday. This means that they are now aware of how to ride carefully on the road so that they are safe. Hopefully, more year 5 pupils may ride to and from school now they have had their training.

**Red Nose Day:** It has been lovely to see the school in a sea of red today, as we celebrated Comic Relief. Thank you if you made a donation to the charity, and if you would still like to send a donation towards the fundraising, this can be made directly on the Comic Relief website - [Donate | Comic Relief](#)

**Year 6:** This week, our oldest pupils have been answering SAT booklets in English and maths in preparation for their statutory assessments after Easter. As a school, we are very pleased with the results and progress they have made, and we are so excited to see what they will achieve in May.

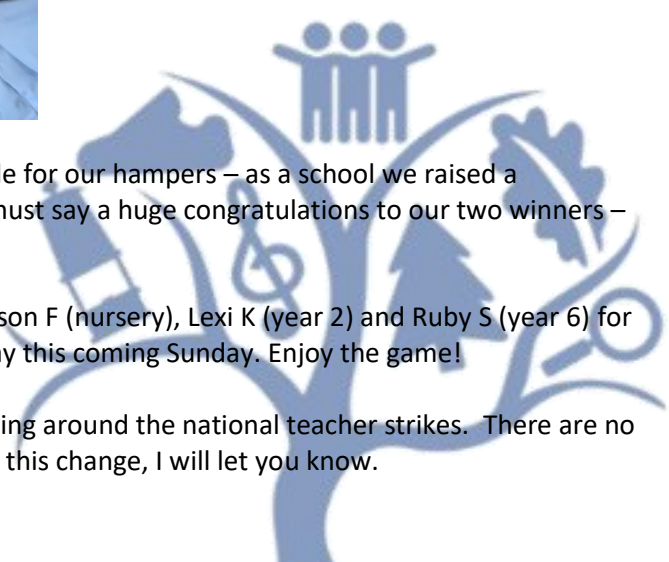
**Nursery Mother's Day Stay & Play:** Our nursery children have loved having their families come in today for a special Mother's Day stay and play session. We were very lucky to have the sun shining so that we could enjoy the outdoor space as well as indoors. They all enjoyed making bracelets, coasters, perfumes and planting seeds. They even had time to enjoy reading stories and having a snack together. The nursery staff were very pleased to see a great turn out across both sessions and ending the week with this special day.



**Mother's Day Raffle:** Thank you if you entered the school raffle for our hampers – as a school we raised a marvellous £185. The tickets were drawn on Thursday, and I must say a huge congratulations to our two winners – Nathan M (Treehouse) and Noah H (year 4).

**Football Ticket Winners:** Well done to Elliot A (nursery), Harrison F (nursery), Lexi K (year 2) and Ruby S (year 6) for winning tickets to see the Sunderland Ladies Football Team play this coming Sunday. Enjoy the game!

**Strike:** Once again I must thank everyone for their understanding around the national teacher strikes. There are no more planned industrial days at the moment, however, should this change, I will let you know.



**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 taking place in the school hall, however, some lessons are now on the yard or field depending on the weather.

Week Commencing 20 <sup>th</sup> March		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Year 4 swimming Year 1	Year 2
Tuesday		Year 6
Wednesday		Year 4
Thursday	Year 3	Year 5
Friday	Reception Treehouse swimming	Year 5 swimming (5RN)

**Forest School:** Please send your child into school dressed appropriately for their session – long sleeves and trousers, wellies and a waterproof coat if possible. For Health and Safety reasons, earrings should not be worn, or if needed, they must be covered up during these lessons. 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 20 <sup>th</sup> March		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Treehouse	3BM
Tuesday		4IT
Wednesday		RAM
Thursday	2FM	
Friday		1ES

**Year 5:** Next Monday, our pupils will be visiting the Beacon of Light to spend the day finding out all about the mining heritage of Sunderland and the local area. This is to enhance the history curriculum.

**Treehouse:** Please check the day you have been invited to attend a parent craft afternoon between 1.30pm – 2.30pm. These are always a lot of fun, and I know that the children enjoy working with their family.

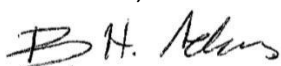
**Football:** Next Thursday morning, Gary from Washington AFC will be working with our year 4 pupils. This is the second visit he has made to the school to offer free coaching, so we really do appreciate the time and effort he puts into our pupils.

**Easter Raffle:** We have 2 fabulous Easter prize hampers for our next raffle. Tickets cost £1.00 and the raffle will be drawn on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Tickets to enter the draw will be available via the Payment Items section in ParentPay from Monday afternoon.

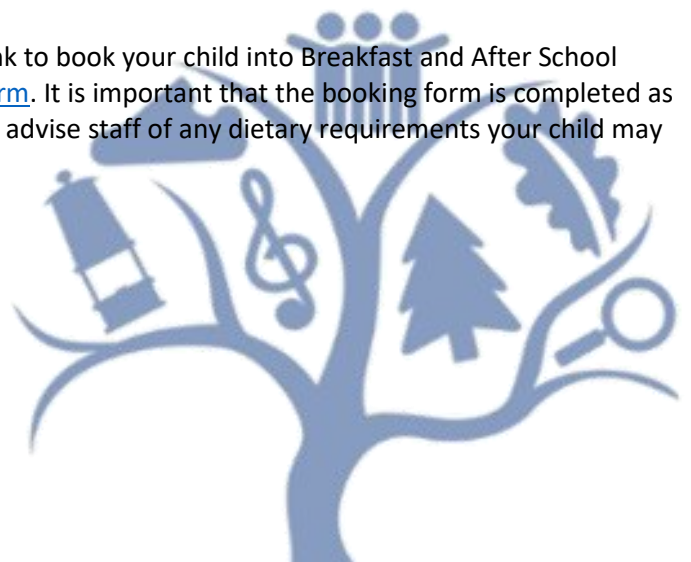
**Breakfast and After School Club:** Please use the following link to book your child into Breakfast and After School Club for week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> March – [B & ASC Booking Form](#). It is important that the booking form is completed as we are almost full for our pupil/staff ratio. Please ensure you advise staff of any dietary requirements your child may have.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,



Mr B Adams  
Head of School





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# Stars of the Week

Year Group	Class	Star of the Week
Nursery	NLM	Hallie W Samuel P
Reception	RSC	Katie H Joshua R
	RAM	Thomas P Josh G
One	1ES	Aiden M Milly S
	1MS	Ethan F-L Honey D
Two	2MA	Willow B Oliver R
	2FM	Finlay B Olivia O
Three	3BM	Bobby J Mia S
	3MA	Emily-May M Flynn M
Four	4AF	Emilie O Lucy H
	4IT	Sam B Sam S
Five	5RN	Liam R Harrison A
	5DF	Olivia R Jordy P
Six	6PP	Isaac A Archie C
	6LM	Leo A Kayla S-G
The Treehouse	TSK	Dominic I
	TNP	Georgia P

## Head of School Award

This week, Mr. Adams' Head of School Awards go to:  
Elliot H for being so hardworking and trying his best in everything around school.

