



### A note from your Head of School.

It has been a very busy term so far but one that has shown the amazing progress our children are making. We felt very proud of them at the coronation party, during their SATs and overall in the work in their books which shows the wonderful progress and their positive attitudes to learning.

We have another busy last half of the term coming up after the half term break too so I wish you a relaxing time with your children before we enter the final part of this academic year.

Best Wishes

Miss Simcock

Head of School



### Learning Updates

#### **Little Wrens Update**

Little Wren's Summer Term 1 has been all about gardening! The children have been having a great time planting sunflower seeds and watching them grow.

They have also explored the beautiful paintings of 'The Sunflowers' by Vincent Van Gogh and created their own versions of the sunflowers through painting and printing.

Another exciting project they have been working on is planting a sensory garden with basil and coriander.

Reading stories such as Jasper's Beanstalk by Mick Inkpen and Titch by Pat Hutchins has also helped them learn more about plants and how they need soil, water and sunlight to grow.

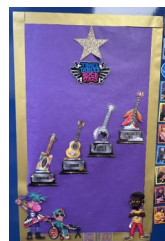
To celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, the children have been exploring his family pictures and talking about their own families. They have ordered pictures of him from when he was a baby, a child, and an adult, and made delicious fairy cakes to celebrate.

We have also been observing five tiny caterpillars, watching them grow and change, please feel free to come into our classroom and meet our caterpillars!



#### **Robins Update**

Robins class have really been enjoying their new text The King That Banned the Dark. They arrived in their classroom to find some unusual objects. Robins class predicted what the story may be about and enjoyed a snippet.



In Maths, we have been working hard on multiplication and division and the children have been practicing their timestables. Keep practicing on "Hit the Button" and "Times Table Rockstars". We have a new leaderboard display so let's see who will be first to the top!



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In Science, we have been learning about plants and growth. We went on a plant hunt around our school, naming them. We learnt about the functions of the parts of them and even dissected some plants to get a closer

look!  
In RE we have finished our work on salvation and will be moving onto a World Religion study of Judaism. We are hoping to visit a Synagogue.

In Art, the children have been exploring drawing, perfecting the use of tone and shadow to make objects look 3D.

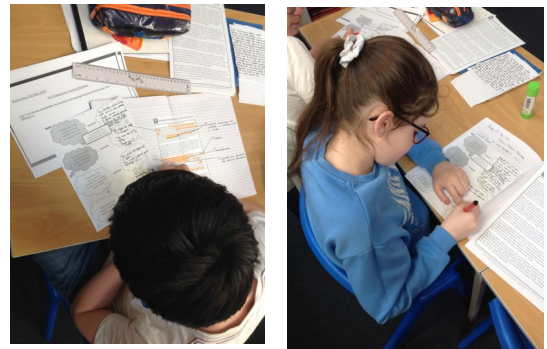




In DT, KSI children made kites—they designed and made their own kites. They have developed important skills to measure, cut and attach securely. In LKS2, children are making their own moveable vehicles. They have explored prototypes, designed them and made a moveable vehicle. The children will even use a simple electrical circuit to make a buzzer.



In Literacy, the whole class have enjoyed exploring the opening of our new class text, 'Wild is the Wind'. This week, the children have been using relative clauses to add extra information about a noun in a sentence. I have been impressed by the way that the children in Year 6 have been able to apply the skills acquired in Literacy lessons to the Punctuation and Grammar past SATs papers that they have completed - keep up the hard work!



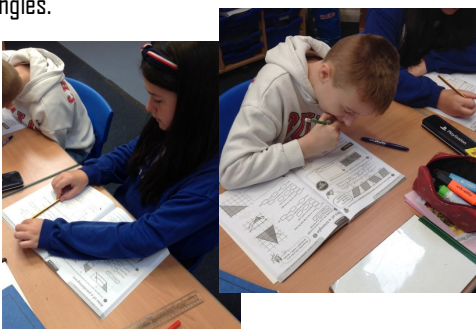
On Tuesday, the children in KS2 enjoyed their investigative task in Geography, during which they used marshmallows, straws and jelly to construct and test designs for an earthquake resistant building.

## Eagles Update

It has been a productive opening to the Summer Term. Firstly, I would like to welcome Miss. McClurg to Eagles Class. She is currently completing her teacher training and will be working with us for the first half of the summer term. We hope that she will enjoy her time with us and gain valuable experience teaching our children.

In Maths, the children in Year 5 have been working with Miss McClurg and learning about Decimals, with a focus of adding and subtracting numbers to one and two decimal places. They will now move on to sequencing decimals before multiplying and dividing decimals by 10, 100 and 1,000.

Our Year 6 children have also been busy learning about decimals before the focus moved to a recap of Area and Perimeter. This week, we have been exploring the area of parallelograms and triangles.



I would like to congratulate our Year 6 pupils on their tremendous efforts during their SATs last week. I was completely blown away by their determination and resilience and am so proud of each and every one of them. It was a pleasure to accompany the children on Friday's trip to Rose Farm Shop to celebrate all of their hard work—well done Year 6!

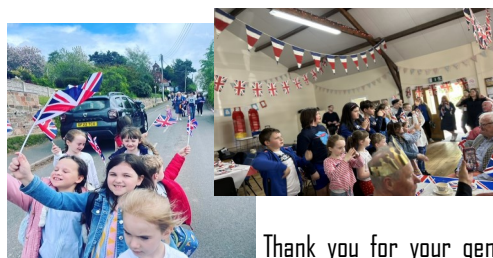




## Whole School Updates

### **The Coronation Party**

Last Friday made for a very special celebration—the parade down from school, led by horses was spectacular and a very special moment that will last in my memory—and hopefully in the memories of the children too! Once we arrived at the village hall the children enjoyed party food, games and crafts.



Thank you for your generous donations to our tombola which raised over £150 for our school that will be used towards buying new books and magazines to add to our children's' reading materials.

### **SATS**

We are immensely proud of our Year 6 and Year 2 children for their effort, determination and resilience. Both year groups enjoyed a trip to Rose Farm shop for a little treat to celebrate their hard work.

Thank you so much to Mrs Gutman for providing a tasty breakfast each morning for our Year 6 children.

### **Garden Update**

Our home grown produce is coming along really nicely and the children were able to sample some of the fruits of their labour on Tuesday—the rocket and lettuce looked so good that they couldn't wait to try it! We are eagerly awaiting the tomatoes and strawberries to produce fruit so we can taste them too!



### **TTRS**

We are trying to encourage all children to strengthen their knowledge of times table facts, which will support their understanding of mathematical concepts taught in class. To do this, we would recommend that each child engages with Times Table Rockstars for at least 10 minutes each day.

Each child has been given a log in, which can be used to access Times Table Rockstars at home. Once logged in, children will be able to complete the weekly times table facts set by class teachers and participate in the exciting competitions (both individual and collective) that we have set up across school. With increased participation, children will be able to work their way up from being a 'Wannabe' to a 'Rock Hero' on our school display and earn certificates for most improved response time and tables facts answered correctly.

### **Dates for your diary...**

#### **Enterprise Week - 22nd–26th May**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Gates open from 2.:45 to spend money on the children's businesses. Please arrange a time to pop in and share your job.

#### **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> - Music Concert 9.00 - 9.40am**

Ukulele Performance

#### **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

Half Term **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June** Inset Day

#### **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

Mini-Cops presentation with PCSO and Chief Inspector

#### **21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> June**

Tarporley High School transition residential to Conway

#### **Wednesday June 28<sup>th</sup>**

Height and Weight Checks Year 6

#### **Friday June 30<sup>th</sup>**

Class Photographs

#### **Thursday July 6<sup>th</sup> - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 2/3 Tattenhall Trip

#### **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

Sports Picnic for families and local community 4.00 - 5.30 pm

#### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

Tarporley High Year 6 Celebration evening

#### **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

Tarporley High transition morning for Year 6 attending Tarporley in September

#### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> - Friday 21<sup>st</sup>**

Year 5/6 Overnight trip (more details to follow)

#### **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

Leaver's assembly / Last day of school