

Dear Parents/Carers,

All the children returned to school with a fantastic attitude to their learning. Swimming has commenced which creates lots of excitement, particularly for Reception as it is their first time in the pool.

Year 6 will be sitting their SATs in the week commencing 9th May. They are all working hard and I am sure they will all do their best. Year 2 SATs start on 16th May, these will be less formal to avoid anxiety for the children.

Attendance and punctuality continues to be an issue. Please avoid booking holidays during term time. If your child is absent from school please let us know on the first morning of absence. Thank you for your support with this.

Mrs Jerrom

Lost Property

There is a lot of lost property. Please can you put names on your child's uniform as it can be returned to them a lot easier. Please name lunchboxes and water bottles as there are a few of them in lost property too.

School Uniform

Please can we remind you that children are expected to be in correct uniform on days when they are not doing PE. Including black shoes not trainers. Thank you for your support.

Diamond Jubilee Street Party

On the 26th May we will be celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with a Street party at lunchtime in the playground. There will be more information nearer the time.

LKS2 News

Year 3 have made a great start to their Tremors topic. This term they will be learning about volcanoes around the world and why they erupt. We will also be learning about plate tectonics and why earthquakes happen. So far the children have made playdough models of the earth to show the different layers under our feet. We have also been very impressed with some fabulous homework that has already been completed including pictures and poems about volcanoes. Esme-Rose has had great fun using baking soda, food colouring and vinegar to simulate a volcanic explosion.



Miss Docksey

Headteacher Awards

Well done to the children who worked so hard to achieve Headteacher awards.

Tommie-Lee Y6—Great maths homework

Lexi-Bleu Y6—For lovely Art homework

Amelia Y2—For working independently on her maths work.
Subtracting, exchanging 10.



Dates for your Diary

May 2022

2nd—Bank Holiday (School closed)
9th—Walk to School Week
16th—Year 6 SATs week
23rd—Year 2 SATs week
25th—Super hero workshop (Y1 and EYFS)
26th—Diamond Jubilee School Street Party
27th—Last day (Mon 30th—Fri 3rd—Half Term)

Foundation Stage

This week in Reception, it was the children's first swimming lesson at school. The children really enjoyed and loved sharing what they did with their teacher once their swimming session had finished. Some things they did in swimming were practising to walk in the water, floating and just generally understanding how to feel safe in the water.

This week in Nursery, the children have been learning about frogs and they have talked about the lifecycle of a frog. The children have been painting pictures and making their own colour green.

Miss Digman



Sports News

It has been a busy week for PE activities at Tweeddale this week; PE clubs started, Swimming has begun and children in Year 5 have started their Bikeability course.

There was a great take up for clubs being offered this term, many clubs have waiting lists and we will offer places to these children after half term. Until half term, children from Reception through to Year 5 will take part in weekly swimming lessons during the school day. After half term, children from Year 6 will also start swimming again. Do not forget your child needs a one-piece swimming costume or shorts/trunks, a towel and a swimming hat; goggles are optional. Swimming hats can be purchased from the school office for £1.50. 12 children from year 5 are taking part in the Bikeability course that is running this week which will see them develop their confidence with riding while learning skills to stay safe riding on the road.

Mrs McLean

KS1 News (Years 1 & 2)

Year 1 launched into their new topic 'The Enchanted Woodland' by identifying what would be in a woodland. Some of the children shared photos of the woodland walks that they went on during the Easter break and their Spring collages. This week Year 1 have been reading 'The Gruffalo', acting out the story in drama and helping to retell the story using different voices for the characters. The children have been looking closely at the Gruffalo, using adjectives to describe him. They have drawn their own Gruffalo and are looking forward to painting them. They are also looking forward to making their own Gruffalo from clay.

Miss Thirtle

UKS2 News (Years 5 and 6)

Children in Year 5 have been enjoying the start to their new topic 'Scream Machine' where they have begun looking at forces and the structures of rollercoasters. In computing they have begun looking at blogs and how they are created safely. This term they will be making their own blog. In art and DT they will be making and designing their own rollercoasters - I can not wait to see what budding designers we have and the creations they make!

Children in Year 6 have been working hard in preparation for their SATs which will be over by the time the next newsletter comes out! As a year group, they are showing great determination and perseverance to the challenges they face - Well done and not long to go! Children in year 6 are being offered a before school breakfast club on these days and will also be rewarded with a treat to the park once the tests are over. Make sure you get the letters back for both of these events so your child does not miss out! Mrs McLean