



Yorke Mead School



Newsletter

Friday 11th May 2018

Dates for your diary

This week

W/b Monday 14th May

KS2 SATs

Y6 Cycle training-pm

Tuesday 15th May

Reception Shortenils Trip

Wednesday 16th May

Y2/Y4 Intra School

Competition

Friday 18th May

Yr5 Rowan Play Leader

Training

Up and coming events

Monday 21st May

Y4 Geography Trip

W/b Monday 21st May

Baby & toddler Week

Walk to School Week

Tuesday 22nd May

Y6 Chessington Trip

Superhero Day (Y1)

Thursday 24th May

Y3 Assembly 9:15am

Y6 Kwik Cricket

Friday 25th May

Y5 Ash Play Leader Training

BREAK for HALF TERM

W/b Monday 11th June

Y1 Phonics Check

Tuesday 13th June

Y5 to Synagogue

Thursday 14th June

Y6 White Oak First Aid

Training

Friday 15th June

Y3 to science museum

Thursday 21st June

Y6 Red Oak First Aid Training

Friday 22nd June

Year 5 London Eye

This week at Yorke Mead!

Gymnastics Display



A huge well done to our school gymnasts for their amazing display this week. The pictures speak for themselves. If you were not able to attend, we hope to see the performance again at the summer FOYM Summer Festival.



Medical Appointments

Routine medical appointments such as dental check-ups etc should be attended out of school hours and not in the school day. Children being in school as much as possible is essential for good progress. We cannot authorise absences for routine appointments – please avoid these.

Cashless Systems

There are a few people still trying to pay with cash at the office – due to changes in insurance systems we cannot accept cash any longer. All payments must be through the School Gateway.

Ofsted

Thank you all so much for the amazing support everyone (parents, children and staff) gave yesterday. The wishes, biscuits, flowers were all very gratefully received and I have never felt prouder of our school. It was a day when Yorke Mead dazzled and everyone involved wanted to show what a wonderful school we are. You could not have been more proud of your children yesterday!

Thank you to the parents who took their opportunity to complete the Parent View questionnaire; the results were extremely positive and to those who spoke directly to the inspector.

We wait now – but, as explained in the letter you received from Ofsted, we know that the visit yesterday could not change any judgement of the school. The report will not be issued for a few weeks and you will be sent a copy.

I know that yesterday showed what a great community Yorke Mead is – and that is so very important!

Learning Next Week:

Whole School Learning Behaviour: **Be Kind**

Nursery- Acorns

Focus - Supertato –*continuing the story, talking about exploring different vegetables, super vegetable characters, weighing & measuring, making vegetable dip, tasting and describing tastes*

Reception-Lime & Willow

Focus – Biscuit Bear story – *designing gingerbread, labels, captions, sentences, bear stories (Goldilocks), adding 2 digit numbers, phase 4 tricky words*

Year 1 – Elder & Silver Birch

English: *Writing an adventure story*
Phonics & spelling: *-Phase 5 sounds*
Maths: *Sharing equally and unequally*
Science: *Signs of spring*
Topic: *Local walk*
P4C Focus : *Would you rather fly or be invisible?*

Year 2 –Cedar & Horse Chestnut

English: *Non chronological reports*
Phonics & spelling: *-homophones*
Maths: *Mathematical reasoning*
Science: *Research using secondary sources*
Topic: *Researching Kenyan life*
P4C Focus : *spread and germs*

Year 3 – Laurel & Sycamore

English: *Poetry writing*
Phonics & spelling: *-prefix -dis*
Maths: *Multiplying multiples s of 10*
Science: *How water travels through plants*
Topic: *Active, dormant & extinct volcanoes*
P4C Focus : *Me ...kindness focus*

Year 4 – Maple

English: *Newspaper report*
Phonics & spelling: *-ous suffix*
Maths: *Multiplication formal methods*
Science: *Exploring condensations*
Topic: *Shoebox Waterfall art*
P4C Focus : *Sikh values discussion*

Year 5 –Ash & Rowan

English: *Create artwork based on a story*
Phonics & spelling: *-able ending*
Maths: *Percentages*
Science: *Forces*
Topic: *Ancient Greek Olympic games*
P4C Focus : *Should Odysseus have sacrificed his men*

Year 6 –Red Oak & White Oak

English: *SAT assessments*
Phonics & spelling: *-GPVS SAT assessment*
Maths: *SAT assessments*
Topic: *Pop art*

Sports Day

Please

note change of date!

Unfortunately the Rickmansworth Sports Consortium are now holding the Year 3 Athletics Festival on the day we had provisionally set as Sports Day. To ensure all children can enjoy the whole day, Sports Day will now be on **Wednesday 27th June**. We are currently exploring how we can ensure the afternoon does not over-run as it did last year due to the increased number of classes. Please be aware this may mean children in KS2 do more of their events in the morning, rather than the afternoon. We will soon finalise the organisation of the day and will be in touch with more details soon. Apologies for the change of date; we want everyone to enjoy the day.



Star Swimmers!

Congratulations to Lachlan, Lily, Nikita and Rian who represented Yorke Mead at the Watford and District Schools' Swimming Gala. All four children swam wonderfully, with excellent times. Nikita has been chosen to represent Yorke Mead at the Hertfordshire Gala also.



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