#### Quainton C of E School - Newsletter Friday 21st June 2019

The value for this half term is:

#### **Trust**

Trust in the Lord with all your heart
And lean not on your own understanding;
In all your ways submit to him,
And he will make your paths straight.

**Quotes; Proverbs 3:5-6** 

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER**

Dear Parents,

A very, very big thank you to all the dads who joined their children for Fathers' Day activities this week. We were delighted with the support. We know the children really enjoyed having their dads here and I hope that the dads equally enjoyed working with their children and a little reminder of what it is like to be at school again.

We invited an external assessor to come in and review the quality of teaching and learning in the school to confirm (or dispute) the assessments we were making. I am delighted to be able to tell you that the evaluation showed the huge progress since July 2017. We also had an auditor from Bucks County Council to audit all our financial and administrative procedures. Again, this went very well and the ladies in the office were praised for their meticulous attention to following all the regulations and guidance ensuring full compliance to financial and safeguarding matters. We can end the week on a high!

I am now looking forward to us all enjoying our Sports Day next week with you. We are crossing all our fingers and toes as well as raising our eyes to the heavens that we will be able to declare the field safe. We will be keeping you informed and please be assured that it is your children's safety and of course yours that are our utmost concern.

Wishing you a happy weekend and hoping for dry sunny weather I send you

Kind regards

Krys Kuzminska

### **HOUSE COMPETITION**

KLEE	BRETT	CAUTLEY	
180	240	160	

#### **OUT AND ABOUT**

#### **EYFS**

The children have been really interested in snails this week! We have had lots of children bringing in snails and we have found out lots of snail facts. We have created a snail picture in the style of Henri Matisse, and they all look so individual. We have used clay to create our own snails and used large pasta shells with playdough too. We have used the Julia Donaldson book 'The Snail and the Whale' to help the children with their writing and they are all extending their vocabulary really well.

We had our first trip to Eythrope and the Ernest Cook Trust Forest School. Photos and more news about that next week.

## Mrs J Partridge/Mrs C Lembke-Davies

#### CLASS 1

We started Monday morning by waking up Dads and Grandads with our Father's Day challenge. They certainly showed their creative (and competitive) sides and much fun was had by all! Thank you for the fantastic turn out.

In English we have looked at different suffixes to add to the root word. We built up a collection of descriptive words for different modes of transport.

In History, we compared how different modes of travel had changed over time. We took ourselves back in time and imagined what it would be like to travel by horse and carriage and the length of time journeys would take.

In computing, we began to use a search engine on the internet to find information on the transport

In Maths we have been busy assessing the progress we have made on our learning journey in Year 1. We are most proud of what the children have shown they have learned.

Overall we have worked hard this week and hope you all have a good, restful weekend.

#### Mrs L Haynes/Mrs K Howard

#### CLASS 2

This week we finally managed to beat the rain and get out on our walk around the village. We were creating maps using our own symbols to show important human features of our local area. We were trying to be like Christopher Columbus who was a map maker as well as being an explorer.

In science we have looked at what happens to plants if they don't have everything they need to stay healthy or if they have too much of something.

In English we have now moved on to poetry, looking at lots of different styles of poem and giving our opinions. We have also started looking at riddles in more detail and planning to create our own ones based on the orchard.

In Maths we have finished our work on addition and subtraction using a 100-square and a number line and moved on to position and direction. We very much enjoyed drawing our turns on the playground in chalk, and were very amused watching the other classes trying to work out what we'd been up to.



Miss M Hamish-Wilson

## CLASS 3 Mr M Woods

In English this week, we have been looking at biographies. The children will be writing a biography about a famous person from Europe. We have looked at a variety of biographies and identified the features. We have also researched the famous person the children will be writing about next week.

In Maths, we have been looking at time. The children have remembered a lot since we last visited time, which has been fantastic. We will be continuing with time next week, where we will working on seconds, minutes, hours, days and months.

This week Year 3 have been completing some assessments across English and Maths. The children have coped really well and achieved some great scores.

Next week we are going on our trip to Hazard Alley. Please can you ensure you send your child/children with a packed lunch, as we will be eating at the venue.

Finally, with sports day fast approaching, could you please make sure that your child/children have the correct colored top to represent their house. Thank you.

#### **CLASS 4**

This week we started a new Science topic, linked to our English, about living things and their habitats. At the moment we are looking at categorising the living things using Venn diagrams and Carroll diagrams.

We have begun our assessments in English and Maths and so the children have been working very hard with that.

In RE we have finished looking at inspirational figures that have religious beliefs (Muslim, Sikh, Christian, Jewish and Buddhist). We have been studying how they have had various challenges and how they have used their beliefs to overcome them. This week we looked at how our own beliefs can help us overcome our own challenges.

In Maths, the one lesson they'll probably always remember, was where we used chocolate bars to help them learn about fractions!!

#### **Mrs D Mason**

#### **CLASS 5**

The children have been busy revising for their end of term tests - practising their arithmetic skills and applying them to words problems.

In English, the children focused on comprehension skills and grammar - especially enjoying the 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire' quiz.

In science we were visited by the school nurses to talk about the changes they are/will be experiencing, I was impressed by the maturity of the children.

In topic and art we have been working on blending with oil pastels and created our 'big art' piece - a huge Viking head, which is on display in the class.

Finally, I would like to thank all the Dads who came on Tuesday; we all thoroughly enjoyed creating the frame for our Viking longhouses.

Have a lovely weekend

#### **Mr J Vernon**

#### **CLASS 6**

Year 6 had a good week. They have started reading The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman.

We took part in the Cricket Festival with some year 5's and we came 3rd out of 10 schools.

We enjoyed Fathers' Day Maths where we had the opportunity to share our learning of Geometry.

#### **Ms R Monteiro**

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

# **Sports Day - Thursday 27th June**

Please save the following date for Sports Day - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Exact details to be confirmed but reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be held in the morning at approximately 10:30 am until 12:00 pm. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be then held in the afternoon at approximately 13:30 pm to 15:00 pm. Parents will also be invited to picnic with their children between the two events. Further details will be released closer to the date.

#### **Inset Days for 2019/2020**

Please find a list below of the proposed Inset Days for the next academic year.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020

Term Dates 2019/20: all in the following link

https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/media/4511043/2019-to-2020-buckinghamshire-term-dates.pdf

#### **Different Class School wear**

Please find below some information on our services which we hope you will find useful, full details of these can also be found on our *brand-new website* https://www.differentclassschoolwear.co.uk/home/

#### **Online Payments**

Please be aware when making online orders – payments to Different Class will show as Tee-Tree Apparel on your bank statement.

# **Postal Orders**

All postal orders are now sent via Royal Mail on a 48-hour tracked service. Please note we will not be able to track the order until the 48 hours have passed.

Orders placed before 2pm will be picked and shipped the same day. During the summer period, please allow 5-7 days for your order to be processed.

#### **Last delivery into school**

The last delivery into school before the summer holidays will be Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019, we will then recommence delivery on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

There will be no delivery into school on WEDNESDAY  $3^{rd}$  or THURSDAY  $4^{th}$  July as we attend school induction days.

\*\* Please note that any ship to school orders placed after Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July will not be shipped into school until the 11<sup>th</sup> September. Please bare this in mind whilst placing your orders online as we are unable to change the delivery method once the order is processed\*\*

#### **Different Class and The Environment**

We at Different Class believe that it is crucial to consider the environment as much as possible in all our processes. As such, we would like to share some news about our plans to reduce our environmental impact, starting with reducing our use of plastic bags. The world is currently producing nearly 300 million tons of plastic each year - a significant amount of which will end up in the oceans. https://www.differentclassschoolwear.co.uk/pages/different-class-the-environment/

We will no longer be issuing paper delivery notes. For refunds and exchanges, please refer to our policy on our website. <a href="https://www.differentclassschoolwear.co.uk/pages/delivery-and-returns">https://www.differentclassschoolwear.co.uk/pages/delivery-and-returns</a>



During the summer holiday's our brand-new showroom will be open Monday – Friday from 9:00am-5:30pm. We will open some adhoc Saturdays throughout this period – these will be announced on our website nearer the time.

Please note whilst you are able to pop along and purchase uniform, should you wish to have a fitting then you will need to make a dedicated fitting appointment via our online booking form

https://www.differentclassschoolwear.co.uk/booking. Please note we will not be taking fitting appointments over the telephone. This will ensure you will have a dedicated member of staff to assist you throughout and avoid any delays. Our first available appointments will be 9:30am and the last at 4:30pm.

During this period, we also offer a "click and collect" option for uniform purchased online. You will be notified by email once your order is ready for collection. You can of course choose to have your items delivered to your home or place of work for convenience.

# BACK TO SCHOOL Period July – August

During the BACK TO SCHOOL period, the lead times for orders increases considerably due to the increased volume of orders. During this period, it may take 7-10 days until you receive your order. The 7-10 days lead time will also apply to Click and Collect orders. We are unable to advise on possible lead times over the phone. We aim to beat these delivery times and you will always be notified by Different Class by email when your order is dispatched and then notified by Royal Mail when your order is on its way. Please note once an order has been processed, we are unable to amend the order or delivery options via email or telephone, so please consider this when placing your order.

# **OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES – SUMMER TERM 2019**

The following school – organised activities will take place at school in the Summer Term, dates as indicated below

ACTIVITY	STAFF	YEAR	DAY	TIME	START/FINISH	EXTRA INFO
Football Academy (playground initially – field once ready)	Hercules Sport	1/2/3/4	Mondays (10 weeks)	3:30-4:30	29th April – 15th July 2019	HS: App Form: £24.00 per phase, £45 in full Pay online
Dodgeball	Hercules Sport	3/4/5/6	Tuesdays (10 weeks)	3:15-4:15	30th April – 9th July 2019	Parent Pay £25.00
Dance Club	Jan Stiegeler	1/2/3/4/5/6	Wednesday (5 weeks)	3:15-4:15	6 June - 3 July 2019	No charge
Gymnastics	Premier Sports	1/2/3/4/5/6	Thursdays (10 weeks)	3:15-4:15	2nd May – 11th July 2019	Parent Pay £25.00
Basketball	Premier Sports	3/4/5/6	Fridays (10 weeks)	3:15-4:15	3rd May – 12th July 2019	Parent Pay £25.00
STEM Kids (Young engineers)	STEM Kids	3/4/5/6	Fridays (10 weeks)	3:20 -4:20	26 <sup>th</sup> April – 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	www.stemki ds.co.uk. £70.00 Pay online

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

# **SUMMER TERM 2019**

21 <sup>st</sup> June	Swimming - Year 3	
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day	KS1 am KS2 pm
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Swimming - Year 3	
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day	
1st July	Transition Day	
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Transition Day	
1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Residential – Year 4	
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Swimming - Year 3	
9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>	Residential Year 6	
July		
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Performance Year 5 & 6	TBC
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Performance Year 5 & 6	TBC
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Disco	
25 <sup>th</sup> July	Start of summer holidays	School closed for pupils
2 <sup>nd</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Inset Days	School closed for pupils
September		
4 <sup>th</sup>	School Resumes	8.55am
September		