

Dear Parents/Carers,

Care in the Community:



Last week, Class 5 took part in the Junior Wardens Programme. On the first day, children investigated how they could make Yorkley a cleaner and safer place; they identified that there was lots of litter and dog-waste; so, on day two, the children went to the rec and around the streets with the litter-pickers. After a morning's work, the children had collected eight bags full of rubbish/litter. On day three, the police came in with their speed-cameras; children waited on Bailey Hill to catch as many speeding motorists as they could. During the course of the morning, they caught 14 people speeding, who were issued with speeding tickets by the children.

Hot chocolate and Cookies:

On Wednesday 14th June over 70 of our children came back in the evening for our annual bed time story session. The juniors all listened attentively to Mr Clark, while Mrs Creber and Miss Agg read to the infants. Within the sessions, children snuggled down after eating their biscuits and drinking their hot chocolate. Thank you to the PTA for providing the refreshments.



A massive thank you to everyone who came and purchased books during the Book Fair - because of your amazing support, school can now claim a tremendous £762 worth of books for the classrooms and library - Nina Wood (PTA Chair)



House points:

2nd June- Yellow 135, Red 131, Blue 127 and Green 124

9th June- Yellow 171, Green 118, Red 112, Blue 107

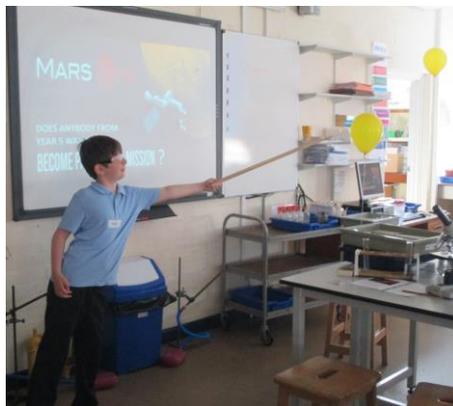
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Year 5 Taster Day - Dean Academy

This week 24 of our children experienced a day in the life of a secondary school child. Their activities linked to applying maths and computer skills to create programmes which we call coding, hands on science experiments 'Mission to Mars' and then team building exercises on the field in the afternoon.



Quotes from the children:

The teachers were all really helpful and friendly. I feel more confident about going to Secondary School - Millie

The Science lab was really cool. I liked using all the equipment. - Devon

I liked the computing. I got to level 13 on Minecraft. I feel really proud! - Ethan

I got to know the school, and I feel much more comfortable about moving up. Computing was my favourite activity. - Aston

I held a flame to a balloon which was filled with hydrogen and it exploded! Science was great, and I'm looking forward to using science equipment when I change school. - Joseph

Lunch was really nice. The teachers were very encouraging. The rockets that Fletcher and I made travelled the furthest when we went outside to launch them. - Jazmin

Attendance: Whole school target for each class is 97% (Green hit their targets).

Overall winners:	Week beginning 5 th June	Week beginning 12 th June
Class 1	98.46%	97.31%
Class 2	96.33%	93.33%
Class 3	98.75%	97.92%
Class 4	96.54%	98.89%
Class 5	99.26%	100% - Fantastic

Star of the Week:

9th June



- Class 1 Lily
- Class 2 Henry
- Class 3 Jaidan
- Class 4 Lauren
- Class 5 James

16th June



- Oliver
- Mary
- Hannah
- Sian
- Abby

Final reminder for 3rd Residential Payment:

The final deadline for the Condoval Hall payment is 30th June. The third payment is £60, bringing the total required so far to £160.

Learning Buddies for our younger children:

This week, children from class 5 have been buddies for our younger children. For one session they helped the younger children gain confidence using and applying money. In the second session they were helping the year 2s write scripts linked to the gingerbread story.



Panathlon Finals

A team of 10 of our children set off this week to compete in the county finals of the Panathlon event at Stroud Leisure Centre. They were up against 9 other schools, all of which they hadn't heard of before as they came from Stroud, Cheltenham and Gloucester. Behaviour was exemplary and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves for a second time. Although they didn't finish in the top 3 they still came away with big smiles proud of their achievements. Sarah Jackson, Paralympic 100m breast stroke swimmer presented medals.

Country Dancing:

Last night 13 of our children danced the evening away at the annual Country Dancing Festival which took place at Speech House. Over 30 other local primary schools participated. As it was my first experience of going, I have to congratulate the event organisers on the organisation and magical atmosphere on such a large scale. Well done to all the children who took part and Miss Agg for teaching all the dances. Country dancing club has now finished for this term.

**School shortlisted for 2 Awards**

Some staff and children will be attending a presentation evening next week linked to our high standard of sports and wellbeing for our children. The school has been shortlisted to win two awards, a Gloucestershire Healthy living and learning exemplary practice award linked to outstanding physical activity and mental health during 2016/2017 academic year, as well as an award for whole school improvement.

**Changes for September:**

On 6th July we are holding a parents information evening which will keep you up to date with current expectations of the national curriculum and school plans for the following academic year. Also at the end of that meeting class lists will be put on display, so if you would like to discuss these, staff will be available on the night before the children get told.

New appointment for September:

Congratulations to Mr Clark on his recent teaching appointment at the Federation of Newent Schools. Mr Clark has wanted to work nearer to his home so he can spend more time supporting his children more as they start their route into education, even at such a young age! Mr Berry will be replacing Mr Clark in September.

"Hi everyone, I'm Mr Berry. I've recently qualified through the University of Gloucestershire, but I've been in and around schools for around three years now. I have worked with all age groups in a school very similar in size to Yorkley and worked in some of our smaller, local schools. My background is in creative writing and I enjoy storytelling in all its forms and am very much an avid reader. I'm looking forward to developing a literary appetite within the classroom as well as a love for design technology and art. I'm looking forward to getting to know everyone in July for the moving up days, ready for a good start in September, so see you then!

Pen Licence:

Congratulations to Lucas Phillips in class 4 for getting his Pen Licence.

Your next scientific challenge from Mrs Payne:

Remember to either take photos of your experiment to bring into school to share, or write up what happened. Efforts marks will be awarded for all children who participate.



Colourful milk swirl experiment

What you need:

- 1 cup full-cream milk (skim milk contains too much water to be effective with this experiment)
- 4 different food colourings (you have to use the standard ones, natural ones are not as concentrated and so don't work as well)
- Dishwashing liquid
- A medium-sized bowl

Colourful milk swirl experiment

Pour the milk into the bowl.

Place one drop of each of your colours into the milk, keep the drops close together.

Add a drop of dishwashing liquid to the mix.

Watch the colours swirl around.

Why is it so?

The fat and protein molecules in the milk are altered by the soap. This causes them to roll around.

Once the soap molecules have mixed evenly with the fat and protein molecules in the milk the motion will stop. So keep adding drops of dishwashing liquid when the action slows down.

Kind regards

K. Burke

Mrs K Burke

Community News:

Many thanks for the donations towards Relay for Life where children wore something purple for the day. Over £100 has been donated to team 'Forest Hooligans,' a local team which includes some of our parents and children.

Dilke Hospital:

Patients in the Forest of Dean are to benefit from a refurbishment of the existing Minor Injuries and Illness Unit (MIIU) at the Dilke Memorial Hospital. The development work will offer patients a new MIIU assessment and triage facility, a dedicated waiting room and play area for children, as well as a larger waiting room for adults and an improved reception area.

Whilst work is underway to deliver the improved facility, **the Dilke MIIU will be temporarily closed for six weeks, from Saturday 1 July. The rest of the hospital will remain open during this period.**

Gloucestershire's MIIUs offer support to adults and children (aged 1+) with urgent, but not life-threatening, healthcare needs. Whilst the unit is closed, patients will be able to attend the: MIIU at Lydney and District Hospital - Open from 8am to 11pm

Clubs in Summer Term 2017

	Mondays 3.00 - 4.00	Tuesdays 3.00 - 4.00	Wednesdays 3.00 - 4.00	Thursdays 3.00 - 4.00	Fridays 3.00 - 4.00
After School:	Eco Club FREE Year 2-6 Mrs Payne	GPJ Multi-Sports (Selected juniors only for competitions within the term). FREE Mr Tomley	Country Dancing NOW FINISHED	Summer Sports Years 2-6 FREE Mr Tomley	No clubs

'WAKE AND SHAKE' - We will be continuing with our 'Wake and Shake' morning programme to promote an active way to start the day in readiness to learn. However due to the introduction of the daily mile, **'Wake and shake' will take place on Fridays only. Time 8.30-8.40**

Please can all children attending line up at the side hall entrance (disco entrance). Do not go onto the school yard. **Please note if your child is not in Wake and Shake they are not allowed into class before 8.40 a.m.**

Playleaders are always out every lunchtime overseeing equipment and teaching new games.

Children in Years 5 and 6 can walk home after school; this is up to parents' discretion and how far you live from the school. A parent/carer letting the class teacher know verbally is fine alternatively, send in a signed letter.

IMPORTANT DATES - KEEP THIS SHEET ON FRIDGE!

Summer Term 2:

Tues 27 th June	Reserve Sports day (Fingers crossed for cooler weather)
Tue 27 th - Fri 30 th	Year 6 out at Wydean (Transition) - if attending this school.
Mon 3 rd July	Year 5 Taster day at Wydean School
CHANGE Tues 4 th July	Afternoon Tea-Party and Clarinet Concert to all junior parents CHANGE OF TIME: 1.30 start, £1 per ticket all donations for a school project decided by the children.
Thu 6 th July	Parents information evening - the changing curriculum (in the meeting children will also find out their class/teacher for the next year)
Mon 10 th - Fri 14 th July	Year 6 out a Dean Academy all week - if attending this school.
Tues 11 th July	New entrants Parents Meeting 7.00 pm Class 1
Wed 12 th - Fri 14 th July	Moving up days whole school (Transition)
CHANGE Mon 17 th July	Year 6 leavers day. Primrose Hill hosting for all 5 local schools (venue change)
Tues 18 th July	Final year reports out to parents
Wed 19 th July	Year 6 leavers' assembly 2.00 for parents with toddlers Year 6 leavers' assembly 6.00 parents only
Thur 20 th July	Year six leavers' party
Thur 20 th July	PTA disco 6.30 - 8.00
Tues 25 th July	Last day of term

Children restart Tuesday 5th September 2017