

5<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Darwin:** In Darwin Class this week we have started our topic on 'The Farm' in preparation for our trip to Cotswold Farm Park, which is next Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. The children have learnt about the different animals that they will find on the farm and made a variety of animal masks, which are on display in the classroom. If you would like to come and see them, you are very welcome!

We have continued to learn about our class story 'The Little Red Hen' and the children have started to think about their own versions of the story, which they will be writing in their Literacy lessons.

The children have been learning about the new Value of the Month, which is 'Teamwork' and joined the whole school in learning about this value in an assembly. They have been working as a team and painting a large picture of a tractor, barn and animals, which will go up on display.

Next week the children will be meeting their new teacher and experiencing some time in their new classroom. Please do talk with your child about this new move up into Year 1, in order to prepare them for this.

**Important reminder-** for the trip next week, your child needs a named packed lunch (unless you have asked for the school to provide you with one), a water bottle, sun hat/ sun tan lotion and a rain coat if it is wet.

**Kandinsky:** This week we have been reflecting on the new value team work and what qualities we need to help us work collaboratively. In literacy, we have been reading Jabuti by G McDermott which is a trickster tale from the amazon. In the character of the vulture we have written letters of apology to Jabuti. In maths we have been using positional language to physically move a quarter, half and three quarter turns in PE and relating this to tell the time on and half past the hour. We have been practising sprinting and improving our times in preparation for the running races.

**Seacole:** Seacole class have been busy perfecting their performances ready for our STEAM showcase on Wednesday. They have shown great team work in doing this and have been offering advice and support to each other, which has been great to see. In our English lessons, the class have been writing their own Sound Collector poems and in Maths they have been practicing answering money problems where there is change. As we come closer to the end of term Seacole class are reflecting on their time in Year 2 and have written what they have enjoyed and have been most proud of. Also in our PE lessons the children have been continuing to practice their running, ready for next week's races.



**Valentina:** This week in Valentina, we have developed our knowledge of how to present data by looking at bar charts and considering how they differ from pictograms. In English we watched a brilliant video called The Catch and noticed how much storytelling happened without any speaking! It inspired us to think about factors such as music and facial expressions and how these can tell a story as well as dialogue in a film. We managed to complete our Sports Day activities whilst trying to earn our July wristband for the value of teamwork. Our value of the month has been a central part of our discussions as we have begun to prepare for our assembly next week. We have talked about a few big questions such as 'Does every team need a leader?' and 'Which other values do you show if you are showing teamwork?' We even gave ourselves a challenge to see who could name the most values without looking -

the current leader managed 11! Hopefully we'll remember all of them by the end of the year. We are all super excited for the Greatest Showman next week and we have been practicing extra hard - hopefully we will see you all there!

**DaVinci:** In DaVinci class we feel like we have been performing all week; but we have thoroughly enjoyed it! Our first performance was our class assembly all about our value of the month: teamwork. The children had lots to say and were fantastic at getting across the value of teamwork and how so much can be achieved through it. On Thursday afternoon was our brass showcase; the children performed the pieces they have been learning all throughout the year. They were fantastically confident and inspired the rest of the children in the school to take up playing an instrument. On top of this the children have also been showing great determination to ensure that our end of year show, 'The Greatest Showman' is a great success, with the year 5s confidently joining the acting cast and the year 4s providing some excellent singing.

**Shakespeare:** What an incredible week for Shakespeare class. The Year 6 children spent two days at their new secondary schools which was very exciting. The Year 5 children spent time supporting other classes with their learning and completing projects in the classroom. Preparations are reaching their final stages for the production and we are so excited to share it with you all. If you haven't got your tickets already, please see the office.



**Key Stage 2 Production:** We are very excited that our production of The Greatest Showman will be taking place next week, on Wednesday 10th July. There will be two shows - 1.30pm and 6pm.

For the evening performance, please ensure your children are back at school by 5.30pm. It is very important that all children return for the evening to ensure the show is success.

Tickets will come home with your children next week. If you do not have tickets, please contact the office. We look forward to seeing you all there.

**Move up day:** Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July is our move up day, during which time the children will get to meet their new teachers and experience life in their new classroom. We hope you will be able to join us in the morning to informally meet your child's teacher next year from 8:45 - 9:10am over coffee and biscuits!

**Current Reception class:** Please note as per the letter that went out this week we are waiting to find out whether the children will be able to meet their new teacher Miss Marriott on Monday or Tuesday. We thank you for your understanding concerning this matter.

**Values-based Education:** A HUGE congratulations to every single person in our local community is in order because we have achieved one of the hardest quality marks out there, the Values Based Education Quality Mark (VBE). A particular thank you to Mrs Claire Richmond and all the parents who met/visited the auditor. She was totally blown away with our school and couldn't speak more highly of it.

**Value of the Month:**

**Teamwork** - a group of people working together to achieve a common aim.



**Rearranged Sports Day - 11 July from 1pm. All Parents welcome:** It was such a shame that the weather didn't allow us to go ahead with our planned sports day this week. We thank you all for your support and understanding, it is always a difficult decision to postpone but after the heavy rain the playing field was far too wet and slippery to run on. The good news is that we have an alternative date, so please do join us to watch the children in sprint races on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July from 1pm – there will NOT be a picnic prior to the activities.**

### **Ice lollies with the Headteacher:**

Congratulations to the children who enjoyed an ice lolly with Miss Hiddleston this week as a celebration of their wonderful achievements. These children have been working hard in all subjects, showing positive behaviour for learning and demonstrating our school values. We are very proud of you all - well done.



### **Key Dates for your Diary:**

- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July, move up day: this is when you will have an opportunity to meet with your new teacher for next year and the children will spend the morning in their new classes with their new teacher
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 Takeover Day
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, School Production (Key Stage 2 only) 1:30pm and 6:00pm – children need to be back in school by 5:30pm to get ready for the evening performance.
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – STEAM Showcase! Please come along at ????
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July, rescheduled Sports Day – from 1:00pm, all parents welcome
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July, Reports out to parents
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July, Family BBQ. This is one of our must attend events of the year! Please can you make sure you arrive and are in the school hall at 12:30pm for a brief address by the Headteacher before you will be able to go outside for the BBQ
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July, last day of Summer Term 2 – **1pm finish**

Have a lovely weekend!

*Hiddleston*

*Julie Hiddleston and the school team*



# CLUBS

at William Morris  
Primary School

All clubs for this term run from 3:15-4:15pm

**No Friday Dance club on 19<sup>th</sup> July**

Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
Choir Yrs 3-6  Free of charge	Football £3 per session  Rock Stars Club Yrs 2, 3 and 4 only Free of charge	Dance Club £3 per session

## Free Trial Piano Tuition

Studies show that time spent at the keyboard improves mental health: people who make music experience less anxiety, loneliness, and depression. Playing piano has also been shown to be a great source of stress relief, and provides ample opportunity to bolster self-esteem. It is also a widely used form of therapy for Attention Deficit Disorder. **Not sure if your child will take to it? Why not try a month's tuition FREE of charge?**

All tuition books and diaries are also supplied free of charge by the service. To obtain an application form, please email [MJmusicervices@aol.com](mailto:MJmusicervices@aol.com) or [vices@aol.com](mailto:vices@aol.com)

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**WMS  
Dates for  
your diary**

- 23rd May  
END OF  
TERM
- 26th May  
INSET DAY  
School Closed
- 22nd JUNE  
SUMMER  
FAYRE
- 26th JUNE  
SPORTS DAY
- 28th JUNE  
INSET DAY  
School Closed
- 9th JULY  
YEAR 6 TAKE  
OVER DAY
- 10th JULY KS2  
PRODUCTION
- 16th JULY LEAVER  
ASSEMBLY
- 19th JULY  
END OF TERM  
(1PM CLOSE)
- 18th JULY  
FAMILY BBQ

**SUMMER  
EVENTS**