

Dear Parents / Carers

The Diamond Jubilee celebrations have begun in earnest in school this week! Thursday we had a picnic (planned for the playground, but as the weather turned wet everyone had to stay in school) to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. Parents were all invited, as were some residents from The Brick Kiln Place, who joined us for sandwiches, cakes and tea. A right royal occasion! Children have been making crowns and took part in a procession. Mr Anderson and Mrs King, a school governor, chose our Jubilee King and Queen (KS2) and Prince and Princess (FS and KS1). It was a difficult decision as the crowns were truly outstanding. Friday was Kings and Queens Day, when the children came to school dressed as any sort of King or Queen. The school has been awash with vibrant colours and much celebration. We hope you are able to continue with the celebrations over the Jubilee weekend. All children have been given a commemorative china mug which has kindly been given from the PTFA and Governors of Huntingtower School.

END OF TERM 5 - Friday 1st June - break up for half term.

START OF TERM 6 - Monday 11th June - all children should return to school on Monday 11th June.

OFSTED

In a week that is different it is good to read what Ofsted say about getting the balance right to develop confidence. "Adults plan activities based on increasingly accurate assessments of children's achievements. As a result, staff meet children's individual needs well. The good relationships that staff have, along with the praise and encouragement that is given to children, ensures that children develop their confidence well."

TEACHING ASSISTANT VACANCIES

These vacancies are now live on our website. Please access all the information from there on the 'Our school' tab, but if you have any problems please call into the School Office.

LET'S GET COOKING

In Let's Get Cooking, we made fish pie - it was delicious! Everybody enjoyed it. We took it home for our families to try. Mrs Cann and Mrs Gudgeon said that everything we cook each week gets better! We all can't wait for the next week to try new things.

Hannah Exton

PYRAMID CLUB

This week in the Pyramid Club the children made nachos. Some of the children were unsure about the ingredients but we all agreed it was a very tasty treat. The children then made some for Mr Anderson who was very impressed by our culinary skills.



FOUNDATION STAGE OUTDOOR PLAY AREA

Our Foundation Stage teachers always set up the outdoor area before school starts each morning but, unfortunately, parents are allowing their children to play on this equipment before school.

We would appreciate you stopping your children from doing this, as valuable time has to be spent setting up again.

MOVING SCHOOLS

If, for any reason, your child may be moving schools at the end of this academic year, please inform your child's class teacher or the school office as soon as possible. We are actively working on class lists for next year.



Lemurs, Parrots and Panthers learn about ice lols!!



In science we have been finding out about freezing and melting. We looked at ice pops before they were frozen and we saw they were liquid. Today we finally took them out of the freezer and they had changed into solids! The Panthers and the Lemurs went outside our classrooms and ate them in the shade of the tree. It was a lovely sunny day. We even had a surprise visit from Mr Anderson who enjoyed an ice pop too!

By Heather

Memories of an AMAZING Diamond Day!

I had been thinking about how we could mark this very special week for a while. I knew it was my classes turn to present their assembly, Mr Anderson wanted whole school to be involved, The PTA had bought hundreds of mugs, Newton has a new cloak and suddenly summer arrived! Everything was going

brilliantly, skies were blue, bunting was white, a few of us were red from the weekends sunshine, what could go wrong? Rehearsals moved on, children forgot their routines, the forecast got gloomier, ordered costumes didn't arrive, the day dawned the clouds gathered.



Down Pour!! "Never Mind" said Mr Anderson "We've got enough space for all the parents and our visitors from Brick Kiln place ". Miss Harkins twitched, we all breathed in... Then it began! No one forgot their lines, Parrot class danced their hearts out, the applause echoed throughout the hall, teachers spotted tears on parents' cheeks, Mrs Kightley raised the roof with Diamond day.

Two wet plays later, were we bothered? No, the procession went ahead. Crowns sparkled, eleven classes followed Newton's circuit round a packed school, we clapped, we waved (crisps got in the new carpet, Miss Goodband hoovered...) Then it was over! The odd sandwich left, the echo of a cheer. Quietly the bunting wafted in the empty "street". I picked up my bags and set off for home, a smile inside me that went from top to toe!

Mrs Coyle

FORTHCOMING P.T.F.A. EVENTS

Cabaret Night - Saturday 2nd June

Summer Fayre - Saturday 7th July

DIARY DATES

Break up - Friday 1st June

Half Term - Monday 4th - Friday 8th June

Term begins - Monday 11th June

Class, Year 6 Leavers and Sports Teams

Photographs - Wednesday 13th June

Year 6 Transition day to Secondary Schools -

Tuesday 3rd July (Charles Read School Tuesday 10th July)

Races Day - Thursday 12th July

Team Sports - Tuesday 17th July

Leavers' Service - Tuesday 17th July eve

Break up - Thursday 19th July

