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25th March 2022 Newsletter

Dates for the next two weeks in school

Mon 28th March	Tues 29th March	Wed 30th March	Thurs 31st March	Fri 1st April
Week 3 Menu		Easter lunch		School closes for Easter
Mon 18th April	Tues 19th April	Wed 20th April	Thurs 21st April	Fri 22nd April
Week 1 Menu	School re-opens			

Please see the clubs letter for details of clubs.

Celebrating- World Maths Day!

It was great to see everybody enjoying World Maths Day this week and the feedback from the children was amazing. It was wonderful seeing the children explore maths outside and across other curriculum subjects including PE, Science, History, Computing and Art.

EYFS went on a maths minibeast hunt whilst Year 1 explored patterns and symmetry linked to mini beasts. Year 2 explored fractions and patterns and also used Beebots to explore direction. Year 3 practised their times tables outdoors with PE challenges and games, and Year 4 explored fractions linked to the Romans and created maths mosaics. Year 5 revised their maths skills by creating a maths board game for others to use, and Year 6 explored angles, shape and measure linked and created their own piece of shape art in the style of Kandinsky. Take a look at our [Twitter page](#) for even more World Maths Day pictures!



Sycamore's residential to Tattenhall

What an amazing time Sycamore had at Tattenhall this week, with good food, glorious weather and time spent together with our friends, making new memories. Well done to all of Sycamore!



The day the chairs quit!

Inspired by author Drew Daywalt, Chestnut and Oak were honing their persuasive writing skills this week, as they tried their best to encourage the chairs to report back for duty in the classroom.



Year 5/6 football match against Overleigh

Well done to the football team who won their penultimate league game against Overleigh on Tuesday. The final score was 12-0 including a double hat trick from BJ and amazing performances from all players.



Year 3 World Maths Day Activities

The beautiful sunshine on Wednesday made a perfect afternoon for active maths outside.

The year 3 children enjoyed a variety of games and challenges where they had to use their times tables and addition skills.

Easter menu

There's a special Easter menu on Wednesday 30th March. Take a look at the poster on the right to see what's on offer!



STARS OF THE WEEK

<p>ACORNS:</p> <p>Edward Egerton-Parry - for his efforts and enthusiasm in phonics and writing.</p> <p>Harvey Bojang - for his fantastic progress in writing due to his continuous effort.</p>	<p>CONKERS:</p> <p>Thomas Furnifer - for being kind and considerate member of EYFS.</p> <p>Anastasis Rancev – for showing enthusiasm in our mini beast topic and sharing lots of knowledge.</p>	<p>ASH:</p> <p>Layla Turnball for showing a super understanding of place value in addition</p> <p>Mari Cookson- for exploring colour mixing and creating different shades in art.</p>
<p>YEW:</p> <p>Arya Klieve- for working so hard on recognising initial sounds.</p> <p>Ruby Jones – for her excellent contribution to World Maths Day and her enthusiasm in maths lessons.</p>	<p>WILLOW:</p> <p>The Whole Class- for being fantastic, well behaved, polite and a credit to the school and their parents at tattenhall!</p>	<p>SYCAMORE:</p> <p>For the whole class- for all being superstars at Tattenhall.</p>
<p>BEECH:</p> <p>The whole class - for a wonderful residential</p>	<p>HAWTHORN:</p> <p>Willow Williams- for writing a fantastic simile poem and for always taking pride in her work.</p> <p>Jack Arnold- for working hard on his poem writing English and for his fantastic participation in our World Maths Day activities.</p>	<p>JUNIPER:</p> <p>Spencer Will- for being calm and happy to do whatever is asked for him and for always working conscientiously.</p> <p>Aoife Whittingham- for imaginative similes and contributions in class.</p>
<p>LIME:</p> <p>Itay Magal- for his excellent questioning, predicting and recording in silence.</p> <p>Darcy Beddows for trying hard to include more detail in her writing and improving her handwriting.</p>	<p>HAZEL:</p> <p>Izaac Barnell- for creating and modifying some amazing, expanded noun phrases.</p> <p>Olivia Stockton- for making a wonderful Roman Mosaic poster for World maths day. .</p>	<p>ELM:</p> <p>Freddie Warburton- for an amazing and well thought out maths game design.</p> <p>Kaiden Prichard for an amazing and well thought out maths game design.</p>
<p>BIRCH:</p> <p>Stanley Golding- for working so hard this week, determination to succeed and not give up. Fantastic contribution for World maths day.</p> <p>Amelia Evans - for good team work. Sharing and listening to ideas and then finding a compromise that everyone liked. (for World Maths Day).</p>	<p>CHESTNUT:</p> <p>Phoebe Evans- for her application of maths and art skills to create a wonderful piece of Kandinsky inspired artwork.</p> <p>Alicia Tootle- for always taking pride in the presentation of her work. Your work is outstanding!</p>	<p>OAK:</p> <p>Hassan Zaeem - for an improved effort in his work and for giving 100% effort to his tasks.</p> <p>Ella Lewis- for actively engaging and participating in lessons and for showing resilience in her learning.</p>

Mrs Morris' Award for Acts of Kindness: for Willow Evans/Sycamore- for showing kindness to her friend by giving and going without to help her friend feel happy.

Letter from Mr North

Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge thank you to those 127 parents who were able to complete the parent view survey for the Ofsted Inspection that we have been involved with this week. Paul Tomkow, HMI, led the 2-day Section 8 inspection and had the opportunity to work with leaders, teachers, pupils, governors and trustees. As part of the process, he has conducted a 'deep dive' into our early reading processes, maths and history, checked our progress since the last inspection and reviewed our safeguarding procedures. We are not able to share with you the findings of the inspection, until the letter has been produced, shared and quality assured by school and Ofsted. As soon as we are able to do so, about 30 working days after the Inspection, we will share the findings with you and post on our website.

Year 2 have also been on their first school residential visit! What an amazing experience they have had; thanks to the Year 2 for supporting, planning and delivering so many wonderful activities. Huge thanks again to the team for giving up their own time to ensure that such an event can happen. I hope that you have had a chance to see all of the pictures on Twitter, which clearly show what a fabulous time they had.

It was lovely to see many of our Year 1 mums in school this morning, as we shared a celebration in time for Mother's Day, I am so pleased that you were able to join us. It is the final week of the term next week and amazingly we see the start of April 2022! Our PTA have put up posters for their Easter event next Tuesday 29th March, our Year 3 children will be holding an Easter Service at Holy Ascension Church on Wednesday 30th March in the afternoon, and Friday is the last day of term. We re-open school at the usual time on Tuesday 19th April.

Nationally and locally we have seen a rise in COVID cases, we have certainly had an influx of positive cases across the school. We have not yet had to work with outside agencies, but we continue to ensure increased ventilation, good hand hygiene and reducing the risk of spreading the virus around as much as we can, without returning to lots of internal measures. Thank you once again for your incredible support, we have been really touched by the many positive comments that have been shared with us this week. As ever, our values of **Respect, Resilience, Compassion and Together** have come to the fore!

Yours faithfully

Conrad North. Headteacher