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Friday 16th September 2022 Newsletter

Dates for the next two weeks in school

Mon 19th Sept	Tues 20th Sept	Wed 21st Sept	Thurs 22nd Sept	Fri 23rd Sept
School Closed for Bank Holiday 3 WEEK MENU.pdf				
Mon 26th Sept	Tues 27th Sept	Wed 28th Sept	Thurs 29th Sept	Fri 30th Sept
	Book Fair - Schooltastics	Book Fair - Schooltastics	Book Fair - Schooltastics	Book Fair - Schooltastics

On 21st September is National Fitness Day. If you were looking for any resources to use with your children, this simple PDF document may be useful to use. [Healthy_Me.pdf](#)

Year 5 & 6

Kings school are holding an open day for years 5 & 6. Please click on the link below to view their digital flyer.
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/383446778637>

There is also a Year 6 open evening at Upton-by-Chester High School on Thursday 29th September 5:30 - 7:30. No booking is required to attend.



CELEBRATION

We are proud to celebrate the achievement of Neaveh's signing for Macclesfield Academy. What an achievement, especially after an epic win for England's women's football this year! Well done and good luck.



The Scholastic Book fair will be visiting our school on Tuesday 27th September. I am very pleased to say that this will be a physical event in that the bookcases will be available in school to browse through and buy from.

I will be sending out the book fair catalogues via email next week for you to have a look through. The Book fair will run from 3.15pm -4pm and location details for each day will also be sent out next week in the newsletter.

Please be aware we would like to keep this as cashless as possible, so a card reader will be available to make payments.

I look forward to seeing you all there!

Mrs Mistry

CALLING ALL COMPUTING WHIZZES!

All children in KS2 will be once again entering the Bebras computational thinking competition in November - Computational thinking is about logic, reason and problem solving. Have a look on the website to find out more - [Welcome - UK Bebras](#)

Can you solve the puzzle on our newsletter this week?

Look out on Seesaw for some optional Home learning tasks to get you ready for the competition.



UK BEBRAS 2022
Computational Thinking Challenge
7TH - 18TH NOVEMBER

Photo Tour

A beaver walks around a pond, starting from the position shown and moving in the direction indicated by the arrow.



Question:

In which order did the beaver take pictures 1-4?





Year 4 Ancient Greece Workshop

What a fantastic day we had on Wednesday. The children met with Andros and Penelope who were from different City States from Ancient Greece. Using art, drama and exploring historical artefacts, the children discovered what life was like in Ancient Greece. We played games that were a part of every day life and designed and made our own coins. The children used what they had learnt to decide whether they would prefer to live in Sparta or Athens, thinking carefully about the differences and similarities between the City States of the Ancient Greek Empire. Our workshop ended with a wonderful play where all the children across Year 4 took part in an adaptation of a famous Greek Myth. A big thank you to all the children and their families for their support with this. We had some fantastic costumes which really helped the children immerse themselves in their learning.

Please see below the links to the latest Parent Carer Forum News and Events.

<https://us4.admin.mailchimp.com/campaigns/show?id=15918024>

PTA News:

We are very happy to share with you our amazing new Sport kits which have been provided by the PTA. Massive thank you to 'Chester Lodge' for donating £1,700 towards them and just under £1,000 from the fundraising the PTA have done. This is thanks to all your generous support in the fundraising events last school year. These kits will not just be used by our sports teams but can be used by any clubs representing our school in activities/competitions.



STARS OF THE WEEK

<p>ACORNS:</p> <p>All our reception class are stars this week, but we will do individual stars of the week in the New Year</p>	<p>CONKERS:</p> <p>All our reception class are stars this week, but we will do individual stars of the week in the New Year</p>	<p>ASH:</p> <p>Oliver Lynch for writing a fantastic cursive e during our handwriting lesson.</p> <p>Charlie Octigan for fantastic use of his initiative to help around the classroom.</p>
<p>YEW:</p> <p>Peggy Stanley for settling so well into Year One routines and for being a great listener.</p> <p>Anastasia Rancev for being a little super star and helping everyone in Year One.</p>	<p>SYCAMORE:</p> <p>Elizabeth Davies for fantastic effort, ideas and application in writing all week!</p> <p>Ruby Jones for working hard in every lesson this week and settling into Year 2 routines.</p>	<p>BEECH:</p> <p>Pippa Gilligan for being super helpful around the classroom!</p> <p>Freddy Hughes for his excellent work on place value in maths!</p>
<p>CEDAR:</p> <p>Saula Balenaka for settling really well into Cedar class and trying his best!</p> <p>Clark Anderson for fantastic listening skills and being ready to learn!</p>	<p>HAWTHORN:</p> <p>Saara Shaheen for a wonderful first week in Year 3 and for her fantastic listening skills.</p> <p>Lily-Rose Seale for settling into Hawthorn class brilliantly and for always being ready to learn.</p>	<p>JUNIPER:</p> <p>Isaac Ashton for working independently and a resilient learner.</p> <p>Khushi Dey for sharing her knowledge of Hinduism and signing a related song beautifully.</p>
<p>LIME:</p> <p>Poppy Broadbent for settling in so well to our school and trying her best at all times.</p> <p>Bella Rodham for settling in so well to our school and trying her best at all times.</p>	<p>HAZEL:</p> <p>Isabella Lewis for outstanding behaviour, manners and attitude to learning.</p> <p>Muhammad Ceesay for always trying his best and settling in very well to our new class.</p>	<p>ELM:</p> <p>Fionnley Orchard for making an amazing start to Year 5. He is hard working and always ready to learn.</p> <p>Bethan Faulkner for being helpful and thinking about others.</p>
<p>BIRCH:</p> <p>Archie Aldom for being a resilient learner and trying his absolute best in all of his work this week.</p> <p>Cyrine Cheema for being a confident learner during RE by sharing her knowledge of Islam and even reciting part of the Qur'an for us!</p>	<p>CHESTNUT:</p> <p>Holly-Leigh Balenaka for a wonderful start to Year 6. Always on task and always keen to share her ideas.</p> <p>Cora Layland for her wonderful writing.</p>	<p>OAK:</p> <p>Alex Frodsham for settling into Year 6 well and working hard.</p> <p>Noah Booth for his excellent audition and for landing a main role in our Shakespeare play!</p>

LETTER FROM MR NORTH

Dear Parents / Carers

Our children have had another fabulous week, this week. Our new Reception children are enjoying spending more time in school and have settled in really well. Our new pupils from around the country and Cyprus are also settling in well. It has been great to see them and have conversations with them. Our Year 4 children have really enjoyed their Greek day this week and have found it so interesting and enjoyed dressing up too! Thanks to Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Mistry and Mrs. Buckland for planning a great start to their cross curricular theme.

A couple of reminders for you, as **Monday 19th September is a Bank Holiday** to respect the Queen's funeral, **school will be closed**. We will be open normal time on Tuesday 20th September.

One of our COVID keeps was to maintain the one way system for dropping off and picking up the children, it makes moving around the school site much easier and stops delays and congestion at pinch points around the school. Whilst I know that this can mean some inconvenience to some who may have to walk a little further around the school site, it would be very much appreciated if parents / carers / families can stick to this one-way system, as it works very well. Thank you for your understanding and **resilience** in supporting us with this request.

Car Parking passes: there continues to be quite a few cars coming on site at pick up time, which is causing some congestion and difficulties to site access and the safety of our children and families who walk to school. If you have a car parking pass from last year, you will need to re-apply for a pass for this term / academic year. If you are new to the school and feel that you qualify / meet the criteria for a car parking pass, please don't hesitate to complete an application form. Speak to the Office team as soon as possible. Failure to display a valid car parking pass will mean that you will not have access to pick-up at the end of the day. Please can you complete the application or re-application process by Friday 23rd September? Thank you in anticipation of your support and **respect** of this request.

Can parents ensure that ParentPay accounts are maintained and are up to date to ensure that children can order their school dinners please.

I know that the PTA have had their first meeting this week and will be looking for volunteers to support their fabulous fund raising events, so please do look on the PTA noticeboard on the way out of school (blue noticeboard) for details of meetings, events and ideas.

Yours faithfully

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Conrad North
Headteacher

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of Absence Request Leave of absence during term time will not be authorised unless the reason meets the exceptional criteria. In response to your leave of absence request, a decision will be made and a letter sent to you within 5 working days. If leave of absence is authorised, a date to return must be agreed with the Headteacher. A child who is absent longer than the agreed date can be legally removed from the school register and the parent may be liable to prosecution. When the leave of absence is 'unauthorised' and a child incurs 10 unauthorised absence marks in a term, i.e. five school days, the Local Authority may be informed and a fixed term penalty notice may be issued. The current rates payable by parents are £60 where the amount is paid within 21 days and £120 where the amount is paid within 28 days. This charge is per parent/carer per child. If the fixed penalty notice remains unpaid this could lead to prosecution in the Magistrate's Court