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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Boy, are these weeks flying by! We're in mid-May already! It has been lovely welcoming the sunshine this week and we've really made the most of it!

I have had the privilege of teaching Athletics this week to all pupils in Reception, Year 2, half of Year 1 and 3 and continue to be really impressed with their fabulous attitude, enthusiasm and determination in the lessons. I've also been blown away by the numbers of Key Stage 2 pupils who attend the two Running Clubs on Tuesday and Friday lunchtimes. 25-35 of us walk across the road to Christchurch Meadows and complete interval work, distance and short relays and other running training. We're all really ENJOYING it!

It was a gorgeous afternoon for Scones and a Cream Tea on Wednesday with 4CT. Many thanks to all the Year 4 pupils, staff and parents for making the Scones and preparing and running the Cream Tea. It was well attended and received and 4RR are looking forward to repeating this on Monday next week!

The Year 4's were busy this week receiving First Aid Training yesterday afternoon. They seemed to gain a lot from it and the trainers were very complimentary about their attitude in the sessions.



Walk to School Week

It is National Walk to School Week next week. We're hoping that as many children as possible will walk, scoot or cycle all or part of the way to and from school throughout the week.

Mini Mile

Good luck to all the children who will be running in the Mini Mile on Sunday at Green Park. I'm looking forward to cheering you all on!

Whole Class Photos

Tempest will be in school again on Monday next week to take whole class photos.

Reception

This week we've continued with our theme of Noah's Ark and have written pages for Noah's Log Book and instructions for building an Ark. We've enjoyed solving tricky 'Noah' problems in Maths, creating collage animals using animal print paper and designing a unique animal using Purple Mash. We learnt to throw the Nerf Rocket in Athletics and practised our High Jumping again.

Year 1

This week we've been learning how to read and write poetry by looking at animal poems, videos and books. We then wrote our own poems and some of them made Mrs Powell 'well up'. We thought we'd done something wrong! In History, we are investigating significant people who have played an important role with animals and have really enjoyed learning about Steve Backshall. We've learnt about the Human Body in Science and have been designing and making giant animals with junk modelling using what we learnt about different body parts.

Year 2

We've been really busy completing 'Biscuit' Tests in Reading, Maths and Spelling and Grammar this week. The tests were OK and the biscuits were lovely. We've also started to learn some traditional Sea Shanties and used watercolour paints to create our own Seascapes.

Year 3

This week, we've spent time finishing our letters to Mrs Edwards, trying to persuade her to change her mind about cancelling school trips. We've been locating famous Superstructures on a World map, and planning and designing our own Superstructure prints. In Science, we've been investigating which objects create the best shadows and why. We've been developing our batting and fielding skills in Cricket and are also enjoying our Athletics lessons.

Year 4

It's been such a busy week for us! As Mrs Edwards mentioned earlier, 4CT made Scones and prepared and held a Cream Tea for parents after school on Wednesday. Mrs Edwards said the Scones looked amazing and the dairy-free flapjacks were delicious! We loved our First Aid Training session yesterday - please do ask us questions about what we might do to help in emergency situations. We've also been learning about Cornwall and investigating the effects of weather on the country and the human and physical features of it.



Year 5

We've been working hard writing our own hero myths this week. We've been comparing mammal and bird lifecycles in Science and practicing using coordinates in Maths. We've compared and written about the climates of London, Athens and Kingston and finished our topic of Shape by considering reflection and translation.

Headteacher Awards

3FH - Elsa, Lily, Kacper, Zia and Lillianna.

3SW - Joe, Piper, Ishan and Amelia.

4CT - Scarlett, Zoya, Isaac and YingGe.

4RR - Fletcher, Jenna, Hannah, Isla and Amelia.

5JG - Ethan, Kasim, Inigo and Joe.

Spotlight

Basketball

Tom (5JG) for being part of the U10 Reading Rockets team who won their league.

Gymnastics

Piper (3SW) for being Star of the Week and achieving Level 5 at Gymfinity.

Ninja Knights

Fletcher (4RR) for successfully completing both White 1 and 2 Mission.

Dance

Betty and Darcey (4RR) for taking part in the Dance of the Reed Flutes from the Nutcracker ballet.

Well done all of you!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Green Park Mini Mile	Sunday 19 th May 2019
Class Photos - Tempest	Monday 20 th May 2019
4RR Cake Sale Fundraiser	Monday 20 th May 2019 (after school)
First Aid Training - Year 3	Wednesday 22 nd May 2019
I'm a Headteacher - Get Me Out of Here!	Friday 24 th May 2019 (pm)
Half Term	Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st May
Year 1 Trip to Marwell Zoo	Tuesday 4 th June 2019
Year 3 Lego Workshops	Thursday 6 th June 2019
Reception Trip to Thatcham Nature Reserve	Thursday 13 th June 2019
INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS	Monday 17 th June 2019
Year 4 Trip to West Wittering	Tuesday 18 th June 2019 (**REVISED DATE**)
Summer Fayre	Saturday 22 nd June 2019 12-3pm
Sports Day - Reception, Year 1 and 2	Thursday 27 th June 9-1.00pm
Year 5 Greek Day	Friday 28 th June 2019
Sports Day - Years 3, 4 and 5	Wednesday 3 rd July 9-1.00pm
Mini Tri-Athlon at Queen Anne's School	Friday 5 th July 2019
Whole School Art Exhibition	Tuesday 9 th July 2019 (Details to follow)
Early Move Up Day	Friday 12 th July 2019
Whole School Music Concert	Tuesday 16 th July 2019 (Details to follow)
Last Day of Term	Friday 19 th July 2019 at 1.30pm

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