



Dear Parents and Carers

SPORTS DAY

Wow what a morning! Thank you all so much for your help and support before, during and after our sports day this morning. The gazebos made a huge difference in the heat and the morning seemed to be a real success. The children were amazing in terms of their effort, commitment and determination – a real credit to themselves and to you all as parents.

After totting up all the points for the field and track events the results are as follows:

SPORTS DAY 2015	
Marshal	19 points
Cadogan	27 points
Cusden	44 points
Simonds	46 points

Congratulations to all the participants and, yes, that includes you mums and dads! We were all very impressed with your races too.

Can I say an extra special thank you to all the staff for their efforts this morning and to Linda Glithero, one of our Governors, who handmade all the fabulous house banners (see photo at the end of this newsletter).

Aside from Sports Day this week what have we been up to?



Reception

Mrs Rizvi's class has been investigating camouflage and why animals use it both as predators and as prey. Mr Crispin's class have been creating pictures of African landscapes with chalk sunsets and silhouettes of animals. The effect is stunning.

Continuing on with this wild animal theme, Mrs Rizvi's class have been painting a jungle area in their room and linking their writing with the book 'Handa's Surprise' using question marks and speech marks. They have used walkie-talkie phones to convey messages and have been learning to count back in Maths.

Year 1

This week Year One have been doing lots of learning outside in the shade and the breeze! They have been investigating volume, capacity, weight and mass. They have experimented with rhyming poetry, and spent a lot of time talking about change. They have begun finding out about the continent of Africa, and have enjoyed using globes and atlases to find different African countries. This work will continue next week as they look at similarities and differences between England and Kenya (this week's heat currently being a similarity!)



BUCKLEBURY FARM VISIT - Monday 6th July

We are really looking forward to our whole school trip to Bucklebury Farm this Monday. We have decided that we would like the children to come to school wearing their PE kit and trainers as we think this will be the most comfortable clothing and footwear for the day. Please can you remember to send them in with sun cream applied, hats and lunch in a disposable bag with a disposable water bottle if you are providing your own. Please be at school by 9am as we will be leaving on the coach at 9.30 and should return to school by 3pm in time for the usual collection time at 3.30pm.

GOVERNOR'S MEETING FOR PARENTS

Thank you for attending the meeting on Tuesday evening. I hope you found it helpful and informative. A number of you requested that Nick Walden's presentation about the role of governors be made available on our website which we will be doing.

EARLY MOVE UP DAY

Don't forget next Thursday 9th July is Early Move-up Day. All the children will move up to next year's class teachers. We are delighted that we will be joined by Miss Parker-Fraser, Mrs Mullaney and our three new TAs: Ms Mol, Ms Brown and Ms Popat. When the children arrive from 8.45am Mrs Edwards' new Year 1 should go to the external lunch hall door, Miss Parker-Fraser and Mrs Mullaney's new classes will need to line up at the furthest end of the building near the gate to St Annes, where they will be collected.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please note below the last dates for our current clubs. In September we expect to be able to run outdoor clubs only: more information to follow.

Create n Make	Final club on Monday 6 th July
Tekkers Football	Final club on Monday 13 th July
Year 1 with Mrs Edwards	No more meetings this term
Multi skills	Final club on 7 th July
Drama	Completed
Freestyle Gym	Completed

BEAT THE STREET

Final Beat the Street newsletter with details of their prize presentation tomorrow in Town Hall Square from 12.30 to 1.30pm is included with this Highlights mailing.

RECEPTION PARENTS 2015

On Tuesday 7th July from 7.30-8.30pm there will be a meeting in school for the parents of children joining us in Reception in September.

DATES TO NOTE

Monday 6 th July	Please arrive by 9am	Whole school visit: Bucklebury Farm
Tuesday 7 th July	7.30-8.30pm	Reception 15 parents meeting
Thursday 9 th July		Early Move-up Day

SPOTLIGHT

Our spotlight this week falls Brooke Dimmock who a Preliminary Medal with Special Commendation for her Character **Dance**. Well done Brooke.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

This afternoon Pupil of the Week awards were handed to: Lucy Ray and Rishona Sen (Y1); Darcey Jones and Alex Callaghan (Mrs Rizvi's Class); Nathan Salisbury and Ffion Jones (Mr Crispin's Class). Congratulations to them all.

Mrs Edwards, Headteacher

