



Year 5 and 6 children taking part in the school games cricket competition

Dear Parents and Carers



It certainly has been a challenging week with the soaring temperatures combined with Sports Week at the school. I want to thank all of the staff at school for ensuring that the children have been comfortable and still managed to learn and complete some wonderful new sports activities. Reception children even managed a day out at Wellington Country Park on Monday – what fun!

Also, a huge thank you to Mrs Cox and Miss Henderson who have arranged a fantastic week for all pupils across the school to try something new. We have seen softball, rugby, cricket, skipping, water life saving skills to name but a few! What brilliant experiences children have gained this week – if these sessions inspire just one of our children to have an interest in a sport or strive to improve their fitness, we can mark the week as a huge success!

There has been so much going on this week, sports wise, that we wouldn't have enough pages of the newsletter to share everything but we did want to share a few things:

Some pupils from Year 5 had a brilliant time on Tuesday at a Softball Festival, run in partnership with Maidenhead Softball Club. With support from Desborough College students, children took part in a range of fun activities including throwing, catching, batting, fielding, and running. The focus of the day was on teamwork, determination, and respect—and our pupils truly shone! They showed fantastic progress, impressed all the adults, and supported each other throughout.

A special congratulations to Migers, who was named Wessex's Most Valuable Player for his leadership and encouragement. He proudly received a medal for his efforts! Thank you to Mr Watson for accompanying these children and also for starting up his school Softball club.

Yesterday, some pupils from Years 5 and 6 took part in a cricket tournament where Mrs Cox and Mrs Oliva managed the team. Almost 180 boys and girls from 15 teams across the Royal Borough took part in our Y5/6 Mixed Dynamos Cricket competition at Pinkneys Green Cricket Club. On the hottest day of the year every school played a minimum of 5 matches in the Dynamos format of the game (new name for Kwik Cricket). The children did us proud, especially as some of the teams had county cricket players.

Pupils who will be joining the school in EYFS next year started their transition and came to visit for the first time yesterday. Mrs Corbett and the EYFS team had set up some fun activities including water trays, mud kitchens, balancing, co-ordination activities, construction and more. It was lovely seeing the children familiarising themselves with their new environment and starting to make connections with the children who they will be learning alongside next year!

Sports day is not that far away – a week on Thursday (3rd July). As last year, we will be running a whole school sports morning starting at 9.15am, where pupils will complete a carousel of sports based activities followed by more formal races. You are more than welcome to come along and follow your child around the carousel and then lines the track on the building side for the races themselves. Afterwards, we will again be having a family picnic so families can enjoy being together over lunch before we will ask parents and carers to leave at 1pm for pupils to return for their afternoon session in school. Reminders please not bring alcohol onto site, we are a no smoking/vaping site and no dogs are allowed on site either. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

As you read this, the PTA Summer Party is likely to be underway! Huge thanks to Faye and Mairi for not allowing this event to disappear this year. We have such a strong community and so it is wonderful when we can all come together to celebrate this. I hope you all have a restful weekend and have somewhere to stay cool in the sweltering heat.

Mr Beavan

“ Quotes of the week

“This week for sports week we have been doing long jump and hurdles, it's been fun” Vincent, Year 1

“We played a game where we get a box and we had to get rugby balls from our opponent” Luka, Year 2

“This week we did plenty of exercise which I enjoyed” Charlie, Year 3

“For Sports week we had a fun tennis session which I hope we can do again” Aadriti, Year 3

“We played lots of cricket and even though it was hot it was still lots of fun” Amber, Year 5

“I found the teamwork during the sports amazing” Shelyne, Year 6

Diary dates coming up



Tuesday 24th June

Year 2 Active 60 Festival – Bisham Abbey

Wednesday 25th June

Berkshire Maestros Junior Music Festival – A Night at the Movies, The Hexagon, Reading

Friday 27th June

Reception, Year 1 + Year 2 – Manor Green Inclusion Event

w/c Monday 30th June

Travelling Book Fayre

Tuesday 1st July

Class Swap Day

Thursday 3rd July

Sports Day – 9.15am to 1pm

Good News Certificates



EYFS: Henry and Celestin

Year 1: Victoria and Nellie-Mae

Year 2: Ciaran and Luka

Year 3: Indie and Harry

Year 4: Nermine and Jaida

Year 5: Riley and Azlan

Year 6: Liam and Shelyne

Attendance

Lower School: Chestnut winners with 100%

Upper School: Willow winners with 98.3%

School attendance this week

96%



Last week = 96.3%
Last year average = 95%

Aiming for 97%

School Values



We discussed the school value of honesty this week and how it links with sports. We shared some examples of where sports athletes have been honest even though it meant they or their team may not benefit. We discussed how these moments are remembered as stand out acts of honesty and suggested that we all model ourselves on having the integrity that the athletes we discussed demonstrated.

Wessex Music Festival

We're thrilled to announce the return of our much-loved Annual Music Festival – a joyful celebration of music – where pupils who sing or play an instrument can take to the stage and share their talents!

This is a non-competitive event, designed to give children the fun and confidence-building experience of performing live in front of a warm and supportive audience – just like the fantastic brass ensemble that visited us last week from Berkshire Music Trust!

Once again, Mrs. Eves and Mrs Allies are orchestrating the event, and we can't wait to see the variety of performances our talented pupils will bring.

Keep an eye on upcoming newsletters for the Microsoft form to complete to enter your child.

Guitar lessons

We're excited to announce that Berkshire Music Trust will be offering guitar lessons to KS2 pupils from September. Guitar teacher Gareth Holwill will visit on Wednesday 2nd July to lead an assembly and introduce the instrument. He's also offering free 5-minute taster lessons afterwards.

If you'd like your child to take part, please email Gareth directly at GarethHolwill@berksmusictrust.org.uk. Spaces are limited and will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

Character Curriculum

Linked to our assembly value this week, we decided that it was good to explore how we can be honest. We discussed about the unintended consequences of not being honest and then the unintended consequences of being honest. We all decided that it would be better for us in the long run to be honest as this provided the greatest rewards and would have the best chance of leading to contentment and happiness.

How to be honest - admit you are wrong



Why is honesty important?

- Impact of not telling the truth
- Understanding that we all make mistakes.
- Knowing when you are wrong and accepting it
- Understanding the positives in admitting that you're wrong







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Friday 4th July 2025
Time
3:20 pm – 5:40 pm
Location
Wessex Primary School
St Adrian's Close, Cox Green

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