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Pride Month – June 2023



In assembly this week, we continued our work on Equality and the Protected Characteristics and introduced Pride Month. During the assembly, we shared the history of Pride Month but also reflected on the importance of using the month to celebrate being proud of ourselves.

During the month of June, the children will be reflecting on what about them makes them proud and celebrating this in school. At home, you could share this with your family discussing what makes you proud to be you and what your children do to make you proud.

Reading at Holne Chase

As you know, reading has been a huge focus this academic year with the introduction of the reading scheme, our brand-new library, investment in books celebrating diversity and implementation of reading rewards for those children reading at home.

Thank you to the parents who have already completed the reading survey, in which 100% of parents have noticed progress in their children's reading ability this academic year. If you have not completed the survey, please follow the link so we can make plans to enhance reading further next academic year.

Reading Survey Link: <https://forms.office.com/r/A93ugF53sL>

Hot Weather

As the weather improves, please ensure that your child has appropriate uniform, including PE days. As the children are spending more time on the field, your child can bring a hat to school on sunny day. Please also ensure your child has a water bottle in school that they can access throughout the day.

Children can bring sunscreen to school that they should be able to apply themselves with adult supervision. This cannot be an aerosol.

REMINDER: Sports Day – Holne Chase Olympics

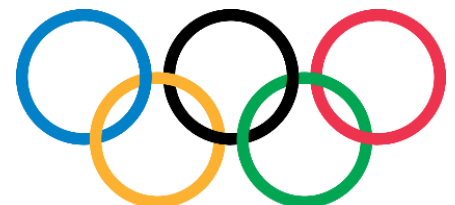
Each child has been sorted into a coloured team ready for our Holne Chase Olympics, which is taking place on **Wednesday 5th July** from 9am. Your child should know their colour, which have been displayed on the classroom windows (5/6EH and 6FH on door they enter school).

If it is a hot day and your child is in the black team, they can wear a white t-shirt on the day.

The Olympic event should last up to lunch time with us holding a picnic lunch in the afternoon, which all families are invited to attend to stay for the afternoon.

Father's Day

On **Friday 16th June**, we will be holding a Father's Day event at 2pm on the playground (weather permitting). Fathers, or another male relative, are welcome to come and collect their child from their classroom at 2pm and come to the playground for some cake and tea or coffee.



Things from Home

We are seeing an increase in children bring things from home into school (e.g. footballs, stationary, toys, fidget toys etc.). The children are not permitted to bring things into school from home as these can cause issues when they are lost, broken or when they are not allowed them in class or at breaktimes.

Please ensure that children leave all their personal belongings at home as all the equipment they need is already at school.

Staffing News

As we approach the end of the year, we will be bidding a fond farewell to some staff members and welcoming new staff from September.

On Friday 16th June, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs O'Hanlon in the office, who has played a fantastic role in the school. She will be starting her new role as an Office Administrator at Newton Leys Primary School.

At the end of the year, we will also be saying a farewell to Mr Morgan, who will be starting a new (glamorous) life in Dubai. Mr Morgan has been a real asset to the school team over the last few years leading on sporting events and being a fantastic role model for the children.

Miss Tyerman will be leaving us at the end of the year to start her new role as Year 1 teacher at Kents Hill Park. This year, she has done a great job of developing the Early Years provision and creating a fabulous environment for the children to learn in.

Miss Prince, who stepped in as Year 1 teacher, has done a fantastic job over the last couple of months. She will leave on Friday 30th June to be leaving also to begin her new role as a class teacher at Brooklands Farm.

In September, we will welcome Miss Anila Abass and Miss Nicole Bray will also be joining us as class teachers.

Transition into new classes

On **Friday 30th June**, your child will find out who their new teacher is and they will then spend the day in their new class on **Monday 3rd July**. On this day, your child will go to their class as normal and then move to their new class after an assembly. They will then complete a range of activities with their new teacher throughout the day. You can then pick them up from their new class at the end of the day. From 3:15pm, we will hold an open afternoon event where you will have the opportunity to come into the classroom to meet your child's new teacher.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event	Date	Time
Early Years Multi-Skills Event	Wednesday 14 th June	<i>Further information has been sent to specific children regarding the event</i>
Father's Day Event	Friday 16 th June	2pm
Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby Competition	Thursday 22 nd June	<i>Further information will be sent to specific children regarding the event</i>
Transition in new class	Monday 3 rd July	All day
Meet the Teacher	Monday 3 rd July	3:15pm – 4:30pm
Sports Day	Wednesday 5 th July	9am
End of Year Reports	Friday 14 th July	3pm
Summer Fair	Saturday 15 th July	11am – 3pm
Year 5 & Year 6 Trust Olympics	Monday 17 th July	<i>Further information will be sent to specific children attending the event</i>
Year 2 Southend on Sea Trip	Tuesday 18 th July	7:40am – 5pm
Last Day of the Year	Friday 21 st July	3pm / 3:10pm