



HOWLETCH LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER EASTER 2022

We have made it to the Easter holidays. It has been a very busy week in school as we have implemented our new approach to managing behaviour and Ambassadors programme, as well as the children being busy with Easter Activities.

EASTER ACTIVITIES

The Easter egg competition held in school on Thursday 7th April, produced some outstanding entries. The standard was very high and Mrs Stevens the Chair of Governors judged them. Winners were given their prizes in assembly today. A selection of the entries is on Facebook.

The Easter raffle draw has taken place today. There were 28 prizes overall and an amazing £426 was raised for school funds. Our newly appointed Year 6 Ambassadors helped with the draw and Easter assemblies.

Thank you very much for your support.

All winners have taken prizes home and there is a list available in the school office.

AMBASSADORS

Mr Snelling has introduced the new Ambassadors programme where children have applied to be lead ambassadors in following areas:

- Reading
- Classroom (KS1/KS2)
- Play
- Digital
- Eco
- Two Head Ambassadors (Yr 6 only)

The successful children have been given a certificate and will start work in their chosen area after the Easter holidays. Our Head Ambassadors have been nominated and selected from Year 6. They are Julia Jankowska and Oliver Corbett. Well done!

MUSICIANS

Our string players led by Mrs. Sellers performed in assembly on Tuesday. They were amazing and their performance was very entertaining. We hope to be able to have a full musical concert with all of our musicians at the end of the summer term.

TREE PLANTING

Mrs Stevens, Chair of Governors, organised and helped some of the children to plant 60 trees in our school grounds to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and contribute towards The Queen's Green Canopy.

COMMANDO JOE'S

Commando Joe's will end for Year 1 and Year 3 today.

Next term Stephen from Commando Joe's will be working with Year 2 and Year 6 children on a Friday.

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTAR MATHS COMPETITION – Yr 2 – Yr 6

Great effort from all children who participated in this competition. We placed 8th out of 22 schools which is a great achievement. We definitely rocked!

PACKED LUNCHES

Please note that if you are sending a packed lunch into school for your child we do not allow fizzy drinks or energy drinks. Please supply spoons for your child's packed lunch, if needed.

COVID ABSENCES

Please continue to inform school if your children show symptoms or test positive.

EXTENDED PROVISION

We have places available at Breakfast and After School Club. Please contact the school office for more details on times, prices and booking arrangements. This provision will be moving back to The Children's Centre after the Easter Holidays.

DIARY DATES - REMINDER

Here are some important dates to add to your new 2022 calendar. When booking holidays please book within the school holidays and **not** during term time. Unauthorised absences may incur a fine from the local authority. Please note **Y6 SATs start week beginning 9th May** - it is very important that pupils have 100% attendance during the weeks leading up to SATs as well as the week of the actual testing.

Friday 8th April	School closes for Easter holiday
Monday 25th April	School re-opens for Summer Term
Tuesday 3rd May – Friday 27th May	Y2 SATs – testing period
Monday 2nd May	May Bank Holiday – school closed
Monday 9th May – Thursday 12th May	KS2 SATs week
Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June	Summer Half Term Holiday
Monday 6th June	KS1 Phonics Screening begins
Friday 24th June	Staff training day
Tuesday 19th July	School closes for Summer holidays for pupils
Wednesday 20th July	Staff training day

School will reopen on Monday 25th April 2022. May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Easter and to thank you all once again for all of the support you continue to provide to both your child/children and the school.

Mrs H Adair
Headteacher