

Asfordby Hill Primary School

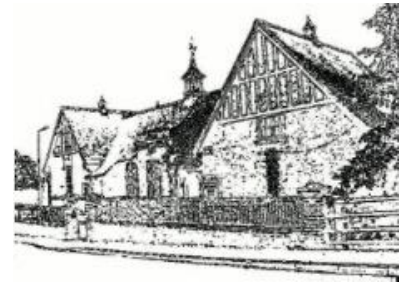
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Dear parents/carers,

We hope you have all had a wonderful Easter containing ample amounts of rest, family-time and, of course, chocolate! We hope the children are feeling motivated and eager to begin their last term as primary school pupils.

As you all know, the children in Year 6 will be undertaking their **SATs tests** in May (**Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May**). Our first three weeks back will be focused around preparing the children for their SATs; helping them to feel as comfortable and at ease as they possibly can. We want to take a moment to tell you all about how proud we are of all the children in Oak class. They have worked so hard this year and have made outstanding progress. These assessments will simply reinforce what they've learned and reflect their incredible efforts. We do not want any of them to feel disappointed if one of their tests doesn't go their way: we are all human after all. We wish them all the best of luck and we have all our fingers crossed that they will attain what they deserve. 😊 Every morning of SATs week we will be hosting a Year 6 breakfast for Oak Class which will start before the school day begins. In the coming week, the children will receive a breakfast menu for each day of the tests. If your child would like to attend the breakfasts, please complete the form and return, as we can then purchase the correct amount of food.

Our main theme for the rest of the academic year will be Global Warming and Climate Change. This class will greatly benefit from this topic as it lends itself excellently to practicing the art of debate and allows them to passionately persuade others about the deterioration of the earth's climate and what we can do in support. We have worked hard this year to try and build the children's confidence and self-esteem and we believe this topic may be an area that allows them to break down their barriers and get enthusiastically involved. Throughout this theme, we will be looking at the work of teenage environmentalist Greta Thunberg as well as using documentaries from David Attenborough and Leonardo Di Caprio to gain a deeper understanding of what climate change is and what the potential solutions are. The children will therefore use what they have learned to write their own persuasive speeches using all the techniques we have learned in English so far. In addition to this, we will be developing the children's abilities to use dialogue effectively to advance the plot in narrative writing.

In maths this term, we will begin by focusing on the topics I have not yet covered in depth: measures, algebra and solving problems with units of time. Throughout the rest of the term, we will be revising and consolidating our learning. The children have made incredible progress with their mental fluency this year: they are now able to make efficient choices with calculation and flexibly apply different strategies to various problems. We will continue to apply their arithmetic skills in problem solving contexts to ensure the children are able to leave Year 6 as well-rounded mathematicians.



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Here is a list of the other curriculum areas that will be covered this term:

Computing: Product design using CAD software / Canva presentations

History: The Vikings

PE: Netball, cricket, swimming and dance

Art: Watercolour paintings based on The Wave by Kanagawa

French: le Cirque & ma Famille

PSHE: Sex and Relationship Education. Transition to KS3.

RE: Continuation of 'Creation and science; a conflicting or complimentary' and How faith supports when life gets hard'

Music: Ukulele + singing

Science: Light and Sight

On Friday 5th May, the whole school will be honouring and celebrating the **King's Coronation**. Throughout the day, we will be looking at the coronations of the past and the differences and the major events that took place within them to give our children a better understanding of modern history's chronology. Throughout the day, children's digital literacy skills will be developed as well as their ability to present and debate.

For this term, **PE** will be taught weekly on a **Tuesday and Thursday**. We will be continuing to use 'PE kit days' to make the most of the school day and reduce time wasted with changing. PE kit should consist of a red jumper, navy-blue t-shirt, dark, plain bottoms, and suitable trainers. Please make sure that footwear is supportive, especially around the ankles, and not too flat. Converse-style trainers are not suitable for PE as they increase the risk of injury due to the lack of support given.

After half term, could children always have trainers available in school as we may take advantage of the good weather and partake in extra PE lessons.

Towards the end of this term there will be a school production of A Midsummer Night's Dream. This where Oak Class can showcase their acting, singing and dancing skills as well as learning about many features of a production including lighting, sound and costumes. We cannot wait to showcase their amazing talents.

On the last day of term – **Thursday 7th July at 10:00 am** – we will be hosting Oak Class' **Leaver's Presentation** and 'Memories of Primary School' montage. More details about this event will follow.

Finally, we would like to thank you all for the support you have given both ourselves and the children this year. It is much appreciated, and it has been fantastic to see the progress they have made after the difficulty of the past few years. They should be proud of themselves. We wish the children all the best for the next phase in their lives and education.

Mrs Bailey and Mrs Millward

Key Dates:

SATS week: Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May

A Midsummer Night's Dream Auditions: Monday 15th May (during the school day)

A Midsummer Night's Dream Performances: Wednesday 5th July at 6pm, Thursday 6th July at 6pm, Friday 7th July at 1:30pm

Year 6 trip to Go Ape: Friday 30th June

Transition Days to Secondary School: Monday 3rd July, Tuesday 4th July

Leavers' Assembly: Thursday 13th July at 10am