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A very warm, or shall I say hot, welcome to June's newsletter, what a busy few weeks we have had in glorious sunshine!

As you are aware, we had our OFSTED inspection last week. Unfortunately I am unable to provide you with the outcome for a further four weeks, however I would like to say that the children were amazing throughout the whole inspection and were a credit to you all!

The core value for this month was about being 'Self-Confident'. Our assemblies have focused on the importance of being self-confident and how this can lead to becoming a successful individual. We explored whether the England football team players had self-confidence and self-belief in winning their recent FIFA World Cup matches and whether the English cricket team had self-confidence in their successful One Day Internationals against Australia! The children were also reminded that we are a 'can do' school and that, if we believe in ourselves, we can accomplish many things!

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June, we welcomed our Governors into school. The Governors had the opportunity to visit an assembly, look at the children's work, meet with the children to talk about life in school and also hear about our exciting 2018 Curriculum. It is always nice when the Governors attend our school and I hope they will visit more often next year!

This month we have been treated to two great sharing assemblies. Firstly, 3 Ash presented their fantastic work and it was clear to see that they have been enjoying their learning. This morning, it was the turn of 5 Maple and again the quality of work displayed was astounding. Well done to all of the children, you truly are amazing.

On Saturday, it was great to see so many of you at our summer fair. I have to admit that my arm did ache after holding the donations bucket for about 2 hours! Rumours are that the bucket held over £600, no wonder my arm ached! There were incredible performances by many of our talented children. I particularly enjoyed listening to our choir and I hope this fantastic display continues in the future. My sincere thanks to Mrs Hemmi and the rest of our PTA for their hard work and dedication in putting on such a superb event!

On Wednesday we had our 'Changeover Day', where the children were able to spend a day with their new teachers. The children and staff really enjoyed spending the day together and I know the children are excited by their new topics for the autumn term.

Save the date! Please come and join us on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm for our Summer Information Evening. This will be an opportunity to hear about our exciting 2018 Curriculum as well as sharing your views about promoting our school in the community.

I would like to close by wishing you all a great weekend.

Rob Fenton

## ATTENDANCE FIGURES by Mrs Perkins

### CLASS ATTENDANCE 01.09.17 – 31.05.18

3 Ash	96.8%
3 Larch	96.9%
4 Cedar	97.6%
4 Elm	96.9%
5 Maple	95.9%
5 Pine	96.5%
6 Beech	96.0%
6 Fir	96.7%

### HOUSE ATTENDANCE 01.09.17 – 31.05.18

Golden Eagle	96.4%
Hummingbird	96.7%
Kingfisher	96.7%
Redstart	97.0%

## PNEUMONIA IN SCHOOL

We have recently had a reported case of pneumonia in school. Please be vigilant and if your child displays any symptoms such as a persistent, dry cough that gets worse at night, shortness of breath, tiredness or fatigue, low-grade fever, loss of appetite, you should consider seeking medical advice.



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## CURRICULUM NEWS by Mr Theobald

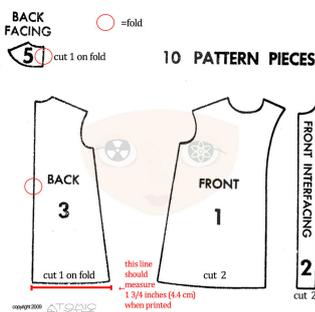
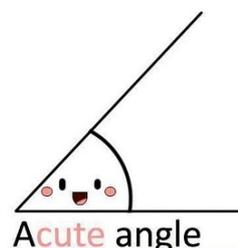
Year 3 have been learning how to read timetables and have had a look at getting around Wokingham using a local bus. They have been working out the duration of journeys and how long they'd have to wait at a bus stop. This week, they have started to look at right angles. They took their right angle detectors (multi-link) to the environmental area and competed to make designs with sticks – the winners had the most right angles. In English, they have hugged, smelt and listened to trees. They then wrote some beautiful, descriptive poetry about them. Their science investigation is keeping us interested. While learning about water transport in plants, they have put white flowers in coloured water and are eagerly awaiting any changes to the colour of the petals.



In maths, the year 4 children have been working on line graphs and have been collecting their own data on subjects that interest them. They have also been learning how to write money using pound symbols and decimal notation, round money and order amounts. In English the children have been researching Mount Everest to find facts. They have then used this to write their own information text. The success points have included use of headings, sub headings, technical language and formal English. The children have been using IT to present their work in best.

For topic they have been working in small groups to create pointillism paintings of cliffs, which they are enjoying immensely.

Year 5 are continuing to explore the great outdoors in topic. They have been doing drawings of plants and trees and have started to identify different flowers. English has also been spent in the woods as the children have been studying Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The children have been making stage props and writing descriptively using their senses. In maths, they have been looking at angles within shapes and learning about co-ordinates and positions on a grid.



Over the last month year 6 started their 'Moving On' theme. This links to transition work being done in the classroom as well as from outside charities and the time the children are spending at their new secondary schools. In DT, and in connection with 'moving on', the children are currently spending time researching a decade from 1920s all the way through to the 2000s and creating an item of clothing from their chosen decade. The children have looked at key events, fashions and music to help influence their designs. They have just learnt how to make a

pattern in order to create an item of clothing from scratch. The children have also been in full production mode, busily rehearsing for their end of year production 'Let the Games Begin'. As well as all of this, in English, the children have been writing using the idea of being stranded on an deserted island. They have been looking at emotive and descriptive language to build up a selection of different writing based on this idea.

## **SPORTS NEWS by Mr Fisher**

It has been a very busy month for sport at Emmbrook Junior School and the weather has made it all worthwhile.

Firstly, we had our Quad Kids tournament at Palmer Park, where we competed against 22 other schools at the 75m sprint, 600m race, vortex throw and standing long jump. The competition was great and all of the children really enjoyed themselves and gave 100%. We finished 9th overall which is a fantastic effort and the highest we have ever finished in the Quad Kids tournament.

We then had our annual Wokingham School Cricket Tournament which was held at Wokingham Cricket Club. We put through both a boys team and a girls team and I was so proud of both teams, not just because of how well they performed, but also with how they represented the school and the togetherness they all had. Both the boys and girls teams reached the semi-final of the tournament and only just lost out on making the final. Well done to all of the children that took part in both competitions.

Throughout this term we have also had some competitive cricket matches and so far we are unbeaten! We have 3 more games to go this term, including a top of the table clash today. Fingers crossed for a win!

## **CAUGHT DOING THE RIGHT THING by Mrs Freeman**

Well done to all of the children who received a 'Caught Doing The Right Thing' voucher this month:

### **Hummingbirds:**

Kameron Waddon, Ben Preston x3, Lauren Joseph x3, Augusto Bernstein, Lazure Francis x3, Lara Clinch, Eddie Austin, Sophie Dowse, Sophie Joseph, Lauren Nimmey, Thommy Day x2, Manuela Bernstein x2, Eddie Austin, Adam Rustom, Nyreece Thompson-Hordle, Jack Tucker x3, Abraham Galaba, George Gresswell, Molly Hennessy, Ben Jones.

### **Redstarts:**

Lillian Barber x3, George Graham x5, Katie Gee x2, Charlie Vickers, Isabelle Mason, Thomas Williams x2, Ellie Thomson x2, Ryan Doyle, Tamia Yeomans-Mwellie, Chloe Dowle, Beth Walgate, Olivia Froggatt, Oskar Vieten x2, Fflur Vieten, Anabelle Froggatt, Daniel Visgandis.

### **Golden Eagles:**

Eddie Newman x3, James Foote x4, James Nash x2, Rhys Sansom, Darcey Wallace x2, Taiya Smith x2, Max Woodhead, Aneta Fojta, Joseph Tsatsoulis, Ellis Fletcher, Rebeka Subotic, Jake Marsh, Alfie Fletcher, Rory Morris, Ethan Undrell, Rhys Gilbert.

### **Kingfishers:**

Leo Standing x3, Aine Ballantine, Sumaiah El-Dali, Emmanuel Uannah x2, Daniel Evans, Phelix Manning x4, Emma Schutte, Hannah Morshead, Aradhana Senthil Kumar, Kayleigh Bunce x2, Philip Zimnowodzki, Robbie Dhaliwal.



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## REMINDERS

Clubs Finish	-	w/c 2nd Jul
Year 5 Swimming	-	3rd Jul
Year 6 Cast A Performance To Parents (6.30pm)	-	4th Jul
Year 6 Swimming	-	5th Jul
Year 6 Cast B Performance To Parents (6.30pm)	-	5th Jul
4 Cedar Sharing Assembly (9.00am)	-	6th Jul
Year 5 Swimming	-	10th Jul
Year 6 Swimming	-	12th Jul
Sports Day	-	12th Jul
Reports Issued	-	13th Jul
Year 5 Swimming	-	17th Jul
Reserve Sports Day	-	17th Jul
Parents to discuss Reports (3.40pm to 6pm)	-	18th Jul
Year 6 Swimming	-	19th Jul
Year 6 Leavers Party	-	19th Jul
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	-	20th Jul
Last Day of Term (School closes 2pm)	-	24th Jul

## LETTERS SENT THIS MONTH

6th Jun	-	Staff Goodbyes
6th Jun	-	School Uniform
7th Jun	-	Year 6 PSHE
7th Jun	-	Year 5 PSHE
12th Jun	-	Year 3 Trip
13th Jun	-	School Uniform Cut Off Dates
21st Jun	-	Year 6 Yearbook Order Letter
25th Jun	-	Class Structure 2018-2019
26th Jun	-	Year 6 Performance
27th Jun	-	Summer Information Evening
27th Jun	-	Year 3 Trip Cancellation