



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 6 pupils completed their SATs tests this week and we were incredibly proud of the positive attitude and resilience they showed throughout the week. The highlight of their week was the SATs Breakfast Club that the children shared together each morning before the tests. There was a delicious selection of breakfasts including bacon rolls, pains au chocolat, beans on toast and American-style pancakes with maple syrup! A huge thank you goes to the parents, grandparents and friends of the school who kindly volunteered their time to help with the cooking and serving each day — your support was very much appreciated and helped make the week feel extra special for the children.

To support the Year 6 pupils during SATs week, our Year 5 children organised a fantastic programme of wellbeing activities for the rest of the school. These included colouring activities and a range of playground games at breaktimes, all of which proved extremely popular with children of all ages. It was lovely to see the older pupils taking such responsibility and helping to create a calm and enjoyable atmosphere across the school and providing opportunities for the children to use up some of their energy!

Our next PE enrichment day is on Wednesday 20th May, when a Maypole dance specialist will be joining us for the day. Each class will have the opportunity to learn a traditional Maypole dance and parents will be invited into school at the end of the day to enjoy a showcase of the performances. We are all very excited and look forward to sharing the dances with you at 2.50pm.

It was a real privilege to welcome members of the wider community into our school on Tuesday evening, when the Chardstock Eco Group invited us to host one of their evening talks focusing on the school's Eco and sustainability work.

During the evening, I was able to share the journey the school has been on over recent years, from improving recycling and reducing energy use to developing the environmental work the children take part in and enhancing the fabulous outdoor spaces that our pupils nurture and enjoy every day.

Gill Kean gave an inspiring talk about the wonderful work she and Ian carry out with the children during their weekly Eco Team lunchtime sessions. Several pupils also attended the evening and spoke passionately and confidently about their Eco Club activities and sustainability projects. It was fantastic to hear the children's own voices explaining their work and sharing their ideas about how they would like to develop environmental projects even further within the wider community. We are incredibly proud of them for being so brave when speaking in front of such a large group.

Our amazing Forest School lead, Paloma, also generously gave up her time to attend the event and it was lovely to finish the evening with a gentle walk through the school grounds down to the Forest School woodland area. Visitors commented on the peaceful atmosphere and many remarked how much they would have loved opportunities like this when they were at school themselves.

Have a lovely weekend,

Donna Butler (Head of School)

Save the dates!

Maypole Dance Day – Wednesday 20th May. Parents invited at 2.50pm to watch
Owls Class Worship – Tuesday 16th June at 3pm
Sports Day – Monday 22nd June at 1.15pm
Reserve Sports Day – Monday 29th June at 1.15pm
Hedgehogs Class Worship – Tuesday 14th July at 3pm
Year 6 Leavers' Service – Wednesday 22nd July at 2pm in St Andrew's church

Our Core Value
this half term is:

LOVE

Summer 1 Clubs –

Monday – Laser Tag & Nerf Battle (KS2)
Primary Sports **FULL**

Monday – Times Tables Club (Y2-6) Mr Evans

Wednesday – Puzzle & Board Games Club (Y2-4) Mrs Morgan

Wednesday – Darch Martial Arts (KS2)

Thursday – Athletics (R – Y2) Coach Dom

Thursday – Forest School (all years)
Primary Forest School

After school childcare is also available
Monday – Thursday
3.30–5.30pm

Thought for the Week:



Attendance – last week

Whole School – **98.26%**



Classes:

Hedgehogs Class – R

Squirrels Class – Y1/2

Owls Class – Y3/4

Foxes Class – Y5/6