



St. Michael's Woolmer Green C of E School

Summer Term News

Week ending 4th May



Our value for the month of May is
"Co-operation".

'How wonderful it is. How pleasant. For God's people to live together in harmony! Psalms 133:1

Co-operation - Working Together



Monday's collective worship began with a challenge for some of the children in Year 6. They had to work together on a task; to get 2 hoops from one end of the line to

the other, passing in the middle and not breaking the chain. It proved a little tricky. We discussed the qualities that are needed for co-operation to truly work and we decided two of the most important ones were to show respect to everyone and to take responsibility for your part in a task involving working together.

Sycamore (Reception) Outdoor Area

I hope you have all had the opportunity to see our newly surfaced area. Miss Tobin and her team are busy sorting through all the equipment before it goes back into the area and of course we are excited to see the new purchases bought after the Trundle. This is a good time to get rid of any old/damaged equipment and think about what else is needed in the future. If any of you have good quality Early Years play equipment (scooters, cars, dolls, pushchairs, small world figures etc.) that you are no longer using and would be willing to donate, please let Miss Tobin or the office know, as they may be suitable for our Reception Area. Thank you as always for your support.

Ripping Reptiles Competition

It was lovely to award certificates to Mattie & Tommy, who came first in the KS1 competition and Louisa who came second in the KS2 competition. The children received a voucher and a trophy for the school. They should be very proud, as they competed against schools from all over Hertfordshire.



Cherry Class (Year 2)



Our Year 2 children are enjoying their tennis lessons this term.

'The Friends' & Woolmer Green Village Day

'The Friends' of St Michael's will be having some stalls at the Village Day on Sunday 3rd June and will be asking for your support in having non-uniform days in exchange for items to donate. We are also very pleased that the canopy for the mosaic quiet area has been ordered and will hopefully be fitted before half term (ready for the sunshine). This is being purchased from the money raised at the Winter Wonderland as well as other fund raising. The cake sales have proved extremely popular and a welcome treat at the end of a busy week. Thank you for all the donations of cakes and for supporting 'The Friends' with this initiative. Well done to the Class Reps who have helped in organising and rallying the bakers!

Key Stage SATs

Our Year 6 children will have their statutory assessment tests during the week of 14th May. We want them to feel as calm and as confident as they can, so that they finish the week feeling good about themselves and knowing they have done their very best. Our Year 2 children will be having tests for their end of key stage assessment at different times during the month of May. They are used to doing these assessments as quizzes and this has been part of their classroom practice (nothing to worry about). The remaining year groups will be involved in some assessments as well, to help inform teacher judgements and address any areas of weakness in the final half term.

Please continue to encourage and help your child with reading, times tables, spelling and homework, as support from home as well as school can really make a difference to a child's confidence as well as attainment.

For those parents wishing to know more about the key stage 1 & 2 assessments, the link below will take you to the government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-and-2-national-curriculum-tests-information-for-parents>



Health and Safety

Please do not allow the children to go on any of the playground apparatus before or after school. Many of the children are not supervised and during school time we have a strict rota and rules to adhere to. Thank you for your support.

Maths Workshop Mornings

These will be on the following dates at 9am:

Monday 11th June - Years 5 & 6

Wednesday 13th June - Years 3 & 4

Thursday 14th June - Rec, Years 1 & 2

The theme of the workshops will be calculation, with a focus on multiplication. They will be informal and will give you the opportunity to look at the methods and resources used by the children. You may attend any of the mornings, even if your child is not in the year group at the moment. There will hopefully be time to speak to teachers and ask questions.

Sports Day

As you know Sports Day is being held on Wednesday 27th June. Similarly to last year it will take place in the morning, followed by a picnic lunch. Following this there will be an Art Exhibition of the children's work in the hall and an opportunity for you to buy their work. You are welcome to take your child home after this, but there will be organised activities in school if you are unable to do this. More details to follow.

Staff News

Last week we held internal interviews for two Senior Teacher posts and I am pleased to tell you that Mrs Woods and Mrs Bokmans have been appointed to this new role. I would like to congratulate them and look forward to working with them on our newly developing Senior Leadership Team, which will be looking closely at school improvement and maintaining high standards.

We have had a couple of experienced teachers interested in the Year 3 role, following Mrs Renouf's maternity leave in June and I will be able to confirm this shortly.

Good Work Assembly

Sycamore: Sophie

Willow: Maddy & Tommy

Cherry: Tabby

Redwood: Megan

Elm: Poppy

Beech: Jake

Oak: Olivia R

Special congratulations to the following children in Redwood Class who have gained their pen licence this week:
Connie, Teddy & Keira

Value Certificates - Hope

Well done to the following children for demonstrating our value of the month.

Sycamore: Josh

Willow: Tommy

Cherry: Freddie

Redwood: Camila

Elm: Grace R & Grace M

Beech: Harrison

Oak: Lisianna

What's On:

- 4.5.'18 - Redwood cake sale after school
- 7.5.'18 - BANK HOLIDAY
- 9.5.'18 - PGL Meeting in Oak Class at 9am
- 11.5.'18 - Mufti Day in exchange for sweets for Woolmer Green Village Day stall
 - Cherry Class cake sale after school
- 14.5.'18 - Year 6 SATs week (Mon-Fri)
- 16.5.'18 - Rounders Match
- 17.5.'18 - Elm Class (Year 4) assembly (2:45pm)
- 18.5.'18 - Girls Football
 - Willow Class cake sale after school
- 21.5.'18 - Walk to School Week
- 22.5.'18 - Choir Trip to the Tower of London
 - E-Safety at Knebworth School (eve)
- 23.5.'18 - Year 6 PGL Residential Trip
- 24.5.'18 - 2:45pm Willow Class (Yr.1) assembly