

### Principal's Greeting



Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a brilliant break and enjoyed the lovely weather over the bank holiday weekend! We are all hopeful that the sunny and warm weather is here to stay and that we will have a cheerful Summer Term!

The term has got off to a great start and there is a lot of excitement this week as our different year groups get ready for their trips and events relating to their projects. Reception have been to Windmill Hill Farm today and Year 1 are looking forward to visiting The Wild Place on Wednesday. We also have an exciting day in school for Year 3 on Wednesday as they will be stepping in to 'The Stone Age' as a curriculum enrichment experience—they will be dressing up and engaging in some very 'hands on' activities, fully immersing themselves in their history based project! Year 2 are also looking forward to their trip to London in June—all details will be shared with parents in due course.

Next week we have some exciting things happening! Not only do we have a three day weekend thanks to the bank holiday, but we also have Miss Christopher returning to us following her maternity leave. Miss Christopher is coming back to Marksbury Road on a part time basis and will be working here again two days a week. I'm sure you will all be joining us in welcoming her back!

I had the absolute pleasure of going to the Stages Performance at 4pm yesterday where our dance crew were performing. The children were from Years 2 and 3 and they were phenomenal! They held their own against other schools who had older children performing and were an absolute credit to us! A massive thank you to Miss Gardiner for putting the routine together and working so hard with the children, and another huge thank you to Miss Brooks, Miss Pitts and Mrs Lucas for chaperoning the children at the performance. It really is staff who give their time so freely on weekends like this that afford our children such amazing opportunities. If you get a chance and haven't done so already—please check out their video on our Facebook page. It really will be just over two minutes of your time well spent!



### Dates for your diary...

**Wed 1st May** — Year 1 trip to The Wild Place

**Wed 1st May** — Year 3 Stone Age Day

**Thu 2nd May** — SEN Coffee afternoon

**Mon 6th May** — Bank Holiday Monday

**Wed 8th May** — Class Photos Day

**Fri 10th May** — Reception Cake Sale in the playground after school

**Fri 10th May** — PTFA Reception Cake Sale (more details to follow)

**Mon 20th May** — RE Day

**Thu 23rd May** — Principals Questions and Answers @9am

**Fri 24th May** — Break up for half term holiday

**Mon 3rd June** — Return to school after half term holiday

**Fri 7th June** — Year 1 Cake Sale in the playground after school

### Attendance

Attendance last week was 98.1% This is officially the best weekly attendance that we have had since the academy opened in September 2015. Very very well done to everyone!

### Work of the Week

Well done to Amelia (AA), Joseph (CC), Fraser (DD), Mollie (EE), Charlie (FF) and Leo (Dahl) for super work this week! We're very proud of you!

### Recycling crisp packets

We are now a recognised collection point for crisp packets. More information to follow next week...

### A point to think about...

I stumbled across a lovely quote this weekend while doing some professional reading. Its from Valerie Welk and summarises perfectly the learning that we know happens here every day!

*"I promise you every day your child will learn something. Some days they will bring it home in their hands, some days they will bring it home in their heads, and some days they will bring it home in their hearts"*

### A message from Cecilia (Year 3)

Cecelia is one of our Health and Safety Student Leaders and has written the following article for the bulletin this week...

*Please make sure that you put all of your bikes and scooters away so that people can walk in the middle of the bike racks. Please make sure that you do this as it can be trip hazard and you certainly don't want yourself or your child to be hurt. Also we think it would be a great idea if you could put your child's name on their bike/scooter just in case they have the same one as somebody else.*

Thank you!

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