



23rd May 2019

Summer Term 1 Week 6

### Special Points of Interest

- 11+ dates
- Challenge Day
- Year 1/2
- Judo
- Things to Do

### Dates for your diary

#### INSET DAY

School closed

Friday 24th May

#### HALF TERM

Mon 27th—Fri 31st May

#### SCHOOL RE-OPENS

Monday 3rd June

#### Family Support

1:1 appointments

Wednesdays

9am—10am

#### Stay and Play 0-4yrs

Wednesdays

9.30am—12noon

Entrance via side of  
reception

ALL WELCOME

#### Parent Coffee Morning

Thursdays 9am

Entrance via side of  
reception

ALL WELCOME

### Year 4/5 newsletter

What a busy half-term! Year 4/5 have been working hard to develop their retrieval skills and to develop resilience to overcome being STUCK throughout their lessons!

In writing, we have been learning how to write formal balanced arguments and have argued that school uniforms should be banned. These argument pieces were very convincing! In religious education, we have been learning about Islam and have recently been on a trip to the mosque where we gained an insight into Islamic religious beliefs.

Last week, we had a special visitor in our classroom to talk about the five pillars of Islam.

The children commented on this experience: "Such an interesting lesson spent learning about other religious beliefs and ways of living!" (Year 5 child).



In history, we have been learning about the Anglo-Saxons. We have been looking at artefacts to determine historical facts about the life of Anglo-Saxons. We have studied the Battle of Hastings in detail and have recently looked into the aftermath and the legacy left by the Anglo-Saxons. Interestingly, there has been a recent discovery of an Anglo-Saxon burial chamber which belonged to the brother of an Anglo-Saxon king! 'A British version of Tutankhamun!'

In music, we are currently learning to play the ukulele. Year on year our young musicians continue to become more proficient in playing this instrument by building on their skills. We look forward to sharing our performance with you in the new term.



Why not ask your child some questions about the topics that they've been learning and see how much they have remembered?

### Book fair

A total of £429.13 was raised during our book fair! Thank you for your continued support in developing your child's reading at home and for raising money towards new reading books for our library.



## Challenge Day

All pupils will be taking part in a sports challenge day on Tuesday 4th June. These challenges will test the children's agility and hand-eye coordination ability. Please make sure they come to school dressed in their PE uniform (black shorts/trousers, red t-shirt and trainers)



### Year 1/2

Mrs Pickess is returning to us earlier than expected. She will now be returning to Sandbrook on the 3rd of June. Our thanks to Miss Beere for her hard work at Sandbrook and wish her well as she moves on to a new post for September.



### JUDO—Reminder

Judo sessions start on June 20th and places are still available. If your child is interested please complete the form and return to the office along with payment.

### Half Term / Summer Activities

We have started receiving posters detailing activities and camps for children that are taking place over half term and the summer holidays. These are available on our website on the 'External Events' page.

### Registration for the selective tests (11+)

Registration for the non-Catholic grammar schools for entry in September next year opened on 1st May and ends on 31st May. The online registration system will be available via the website – [www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions) and there is a printable form if you do not want to register online. The test date for 2020 entry will be 23rd September 2019.

Registration for the Catholic grammar schools (Upton Hall FCJ or St Anselms College) is directly with the school. Please contact them for details.