Hello/Buna Ziua

Dear Parents and Carers/ Stimați Părinți și Ingrijitori

Thank you to **Andrei** for his super haul of **Romanian books** for the infant school Language of the Month display.

I hope this newsletter finds you well. What a warm week it has been. Thank you to everyone who has smothered their child in suncream [it has smelt lovely in the classrooms with a holiday coconut smell]. We have been reminding the children to wear sunhats when they leave the school building. The children have been encouraged to drink fresh water from their water bottles regularly.

I wonder how long this warm weather will last, in the junior school new fans were purchased to keep the staff and children cooler in their classrooms, Staff have altered **PE sessions** and taken cover inside when its been too hot or changed timetables so that PE is earlier in the school day. Please remember that despite the warm days the children still need **long sleeved clothing at Forest School**, it is a shady area and we must protect the children from the bugs that are in the canopies above them during their sessions.

Have a good weekend and hopefully we will get some rain for the gardens!

Best wishes/Cele Mai Bune Gânduri

Rae Lee [Headteacher] Our **girl's underwear** needs replenishing, if you have any spares please could you donate them to us. Mrs Jenny Crabb our Junior School Family Inclusion Worker was proud of the children who attend her weekly Artscapers session. This week the children have enjoyed making 3D leaf monsters and creating a 'meal of nature' by finding anything in the school grounds that resembled food, from sirloin steak in the form of a shaped piece of wood to wood stick fries. They looked good enough to eat!

Volunteers / Voluntari

We **DESPERATELY** need adults to run stalls at the **Summer Fete**. Please help us. This could be done in pairs and your children can be collected earlier, access stalls before others and then staff can swap in from 3.15pm.

PLEASE HELP US!

Jam Jar Tombola / Gem Borcan Tombola

Thank you to everyone who has brought in a tombola jar for this popular Summer Fete stall. We have jars full of marshmallows, pencils, Lego, sweets and crafting materials. However, we currently only have 34 jars in the junior school and 43 jars in the infant school. However there are 430 children in our schools! Please would you help us so that every child can win a jar on Friday 30th June. THANK YOU!

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We are asking for a £5 donation for the Summer Fete this year [paid via Parent Pay], your child will then be able to access the cake stall, get an ice cream, enter the Tombola Jar stall, access 3 other activities and enter the Raffle to win a £50 Cineworld voucher. We will also have a mini face painting stall, refreshments for a voluntary contribution as well as independent stalls that you can purchase from. How exciting!

Across all three schools we promote a policy of consuming **fresh water** only. To be clear, children have easy access to their water bottles all day long, staff model drinking fresh water too. We have to bear in mind there are some children who do have allergies that we must be careful about, and there has been on occasions children accidently drinking other children's water bottles especially when they are younger. One way to combat this is to allow everyone to bring in their own bottle but to trust that juice and flavoured waters are not contained within them. Then we know everyone is safe. We also know that we are following the guidance from the DfE to ensure that we are promoting healthy habits of drinking water and not supporting an addiction to sugary drinks. We also offer milk every day in the Infant School and encourage children to bring in their pack ups a healthy carton of drink. **Thank you to everyone who supports us.**

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Vates for the Viary/Fechas para el Viario

| New Reception Parents Meeting | Infant School | Monday 19th June | A chance to meet the staff and visit the classrooms and find out more about life in Reception and which class your child will be in next year from 6.00pm –7.00pm. |
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| New to Year 1 Parents Session | Infant School | Tuesday 20th June | A chance for current YR children to visit the Year 1 classrooms with their parents and explore the resources before parents pop into the hall for refreshments and a session on how to support children in their next year of education in Key Stage 1 [9.00am-10.00am] |
| Summer Fete | All Schools | Friday 30th June | Fete from 2.30pm We desperately need the following: Tombola jars, soft toys, raffle prizes, cakes and most importantly VOLUNTEERS to run the stalls. Please can you come and help for a few hours after school staff will be able to take over after 3.30pm |
| Change Over Day | Junior School | Wednesday 5th July | All children 'jump up' to their new year group and spend the morning in their new classrooms |
| New to Year 3 Parents Session | Junior School | Wednesday 5th July | A chance for current Y2 Parents to pop into the Junior School to meet the new staff, find out about school life and see the classrooms 6.00pm –7.00pm. |
| Healthy Week | All Schools | Wk beg 10th July | A festival of activities to support our children's minds and bodies, including Sports Day on Wednesday 12th July from 9.00am for Infant children and 1.30pm for the Junior children. |
| Y6 Play | Junior School | Thursday 13th July at 6.00pm or Friday 14th July at 2.00pm | Tickets will be available soon for 2 members only of each child's family to attend on one production |
| Leavers Assembly | Infant School | Tuesday 18th July | Y2 Leavers Assembly from 9.15am 2 seats per child |
| Leavers Assembly | Junior School | Wednesday 19th July | Y6 Leavers Assembly from 9.15am 2 seats per child |
| End of Term | All schools | Wednesday 19th July | End of the Summer Term from 3.15pm |
| Autumn Term | All schools | Monday 4th September | Children in Year 1 through to Year 6 start at 8.45am |



















Preschool

This week, **preschool children** have explored Father's day and families and how they can be different. We have been thinking about the sunny weather and developed our vocabulary and now know that 'hydrated' means keeping our bodies healthy with lots of fresh water, wearing sun hats and sun cream and to play safely in the shade. They explored phonics through our play this week, especially using taking turns to throw a picture ball, making the initial sound of the word, and then talking about our favourite animals, transports and household items. **Next week,** we have our visits from the refuse collectors to tell us all about their jobs and recycling! (This is postponed from the previously planned visit!)

Reception

This week in **Class 1 and 2**, we have been learning more about Captain James Cook and his voyage to Australia to make the first maps of the country. We have been thinking about our own lives and 'personal timelines', exploring the idea that our parents are older than us and were born before us and that our grandparents are even older than our parents. In Literacy we used our phonic knowledge to write words and short sentences and in maths we have explored the composition of numbers 1-10, particularly pairs of numbers that make a total of 10. **Next week,** we will use an iPad to make an audio recording and also use a program called 2Go to practise programming to create a pathway or even a picture! **Reminder**: Don't forget that your child can read lots of books via our online reading platform, 'Bug Club'.

Year 1

This week, **Class 3 and 4**, have been adding prefixes and suffixes to root words e.g. un+kind, play+ed. In maths, we have been solving problems about halves and quarters. Also this week, we have completed the Year 1 Phonics Screening to find out how well the children blend the phonics they know to read real and nonsense words. The children did a fantastic job, and we are so proud of them! Well done Year 1 superstars! **Next week,** we will plan an alternative to the story Jack and the Beanstalk and learn to partition numbers into tens.

This week, in **Class 5** and **6**, we learnt to write a silly poem which included newly created words in the verses. Did you know that in my giant's rucksack I keep a 'wobblegabbler' to tidy my bedroom? In maths we solved problems using 'ml' and 'L' and temperature. We received an old letter in a bottle from Captain James Cook in our history lesson. He told us about his experience on HMS Endeavour. We made informative leaflets about the risks when using the internet and how to be safe online. **Next week,** we will return to story planning and writing. In maths we will understand left, right, clockwise and anti-clockwise as we learn about position and direction.

This week in **Beech and Chestnut Class**, we read a non-fiction text about the Greek Games in English. The children highlighted the key information and made bullet point notes. In Maths, we looked at a range of problem-solving questions which included bar charts and word problems. We started our new humanities units and the children took a strong liking to our Geography unit, on volcanoes. They learned about the four layers of the earth and that the inner core can reach temperatures up to 5500 degrees. **Next week**, will be assessment week. Now that the hot weather has come, we ask that children remember to wear hats and bring in labelled bottles with fresh water only.

This week **Pine and Sycamore Classes** enjoyed planning letters to write in role as the character 'Ruskin' from 'Krindlekrax', using persuasive language. In maths we showed fantastic resilience, thinking about fractions of quantities and fractions on a number line. We used a range of practical resources to help with our understanding and reasoning! In DT we had fun making the body of cars using our careful designs and we are looking forward to putting it all together to create the final outcome. **Next week** we will use our plans to write our letters. In Geography we will learn about earthquakes and applying our plants knowledge in science to think about how plants transport water and food.

This week in **Oak and Ash Class**, we looked at units of time and measure and thought about how to convert between the various units. We learnt how to find a fraction of a quantity or amount and added fractions with different denominators. In English, we learnt about 'clauses' and how to use multi-clause sentences to create tension and suspense. In history we learnt more about Muslim persecution in Arabia after Abu Talib's death and how many Muslims sought refuge in Yathrib. Geography gripped us this week learning about the power of tsunamis and how earthquakes are measured using the Richter scale. Science was an interesting insight into foetal development and we had fun trying to imagine the size of human embryos at each stage. Hard to imagine we all started off life as small as a poppy seed! Year 5 have done amazingly well to stay focussed in this incredible heat and they should be proud of themselves.

This week in **Willow and Holly Classes**, we worked hard on our persuasive writing. We wrote travel brochures to advertise a holiday destination which is getting us all in a holiday mood! We started our computing unit on 'micro: bit' and the children have really enjoyed creating a program that they can see in action on a physical pocket-sized computer. We have begun rehearsal for the Year 6 play and we will start staging this next week. We will also have a visitor from St Peter's next week, Mrs Chapman, who will do a question and answer session with the children about what to expect in Year 7.