

# Newsletter

Summer 2 – Week 3  
Week beginning – 17/06/2024



## Library Visits

A reminder of the library visit for next week:

**Year 4 on Thursday 27th June in the morning.**

If your child has a library card, they are welcome to bring this on the day to withdraw books. Please see the timetable for future library visit dates this half term.



Date	AM	PM
Thursday 13.06.24	No visit	2DG
Thursday 20.06.24	6AW	6AR
Thursday 27.06.24	Y4	No visit
Thursday 04.07.24	F1	F1
Thursday 11.07.24	No visit	No visit
Thursday 18.01.24	Y1 (Time TBC)	Y1- (Time TBC)

**Mentions:** This week is someone who does not give up and shows great resilience.

**Nursery:** Jakson-Joe C, Leo LA.

**Reception:** Zayne E, Luca G, Joseph CY.

**Year 1:** Dexter L, Teddie J, Logan J, Aliza C.

**Year 2:** Menula G, Evie G, Layla S, Connor Y.

**Year 3:** Axel O, Archer B, Jacob CY.

**Year 4:** Harvey E, Milli D, Blake C.

**Year 5:** Ruby T, Oscar M, Otis M, Nathan O, Luka-Jax H.

**Year 6:** Molly B, Finley B, Brandon C, Tyeshia A.

## Attendance:

**Whole School attendance:** 90.77%

**Winning Classes with above 96% attendance this week:**  
2DG – 96.9%  
5KK – 99.23%

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery new starter meeting
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Y6 Trip to Nottingham Trent University
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Rising Three's Forest Schools Session
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y5 Space Centre trip
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents coffee and cake session
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Rising Three's Forest Schools Session
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Class swap day
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> July	F2-Y6 Sports day
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery sports day
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Rocksteady concert
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer fair
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Choir concert
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y6 leavers disco
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 leavers assembly
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of summer term

Please also see full list of diary dates for the Summer Term.

## Sign of the week:



To paint



To draw



To paint

[Makaton for 'TO PAINT'](#) 🎨 - YouTube

To draw

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# HOW TO STAY SAFE IN THE SUN



Enjoy the sunny days while staying safe and protected!

## Always wear sunscreen.



Apply sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher at least 15 minutes before going out. Reapply often.

## Wear protective clothing.



Cover up when out in the sunshine. Put on a hat to protect your face and neck.

## Wear sunglasses.



Keep your eyes protected with sunglasses that are designed to block UV rays.

## Don't stay out in the sun too long.



Limit your time in the sun, especially between 11 AM and 3 PM. Seek shade if you can.

## Weather



Our skin can burn even if it's cloudy! Apply sunscreen to protect your skin.

## Splish, Splash



Water washes sunscreen off. Sunscreen should be reapplied straight after you have been in water.

## This Week's Golden Table Children



3JB	Ruby C, Preston-Joe C
3/4ED	Harper L, Izzy W
4NW	Noah W, Joshua T
5IR	Lottie H, Emily W
5KK	Jessie H, Ellie-Mae A
6AW	Stevie-Rae LR, Ava H
6AR	Abigail O, Chyna MP



*If your child is unwell, please remember to report the absence daily by phoning the school office or on ParentMail.*



**Term Dates:**

Please see below for the Nottinghamshire County Council School holiday dates for 2022/23.

Last day of Summer Term – 24/07/2024.

**Inset Days**

Thursday 25th July

Friday 26th July

**Class Emails:**

Nursery (Mrs Dixon/Mrs Taylor)	<a href="mailto:HPF1@holgateprimary.org">HPF1@holgateprimary.org</a>
F2WS (Mr Smith)	<a href="mailto:F2WS@holgateprimary.org">F2WS@holgateprimary.org</a>
F2Y1SB (Mrs Bacon)	<a href="mailto:F2Y1SB@holgateprimary.org">F2Y1SB@holgateprimary.org</a>
1HO (Mrs O'Kane)	<a href="mailto:1HO@holgateprimary.org">1HO@holgateprimary.org</a>
2EB (Miss Baker)	<a href="mailto:2EB@holgateprimary.org">2EB@holgateprimary.org</a>
2DG (Mr Gleave)	<a href="mailto:2DG@holgateprimary.org">2DG@holgateprimary.org</a>
3JB (Mrs Bardgett)	<a href="mailto:3JB@holgateprimary.org">3JB@holgateprimary.org</a>
34ED (Miss Davies)	<a href="mailto:34ED@holgateprimary.org">34ED@holgateprimary.org</a>
4NW (Mrs Wilkinson)	<a href="mailto:4NW@holgateprimary.org">4NW@holgateprimary.org</a>
5IR (Miss Roe)	<a href="mailto:5IR@holgateprimary.org">5IR@holgateprimary.org</a>
5KK (Miss Kennedy)	<a href="mailto:5KK@holgateprimary.org">5KK@holgateprimary.org</a>
6AR (Mr Rathe)	<a href="mailto:6AR@holgateprimary.org">6AR@holgateprimary.org</a>
6AW (Mr Knighton)	<a href="mailto:6AW@holgateprimary.org">6AW@holgateprimary.org</a>

**After school clubs**

Here are our afterschool clubs for the Summer 2 term. If you would like to sign up, please speak with the school office.



Day	Club	Year Group	End Time
Monday	Football	Y1 - Y6	5.00pm
Monday	Story Tales	F2 - Y4	4.15pm
Monday	Pen Pal	Y4 - Y6	4.10pm
Monday	Choir	Y1 - Y6	4.20pm
Tuesday	Glee	Y1 - Y6	4.20pm
Wednesday	Dodgeball	Y1 - Y6	5.00pm
Wednesday	Dough	Y1 - Y6	4.15pm
Wednesday	Crafts	F2 - Y6	4.15pm
Thursday	Tag Rugby	Y1 - Y6	5.00pm
Thursday	Golden Time	Y2 - Y6	4.15pm
Friday	Gardening	Y1 - Y6	5.00pm
Friday	Kick Boxing	Y1 - Y6	4.15pm



## EYFS

In **F1** this week we have been thinking about height in our maths lessons. We measured ourselves against each other and then made a really long line from tallest to shortest. We found that some children are taller and some children are shorter than ourselves. Can you find something tall and something short in your home?



## KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

This week, **Year 2** went to Brackenhurst to learn about 'field to fork'. We saw plenty of animals including horses, goats, cows, bulls, donkeys, chickens and cats. In the classroom, we made cheese, apple juice and we sowed some seeds. The whole day was amazing because the leader, Rob, made everything informative and exciting.



## KS2 (Years 3 and 4)

This week in our maths, **Year 3** have focused on the language of direction: left, right, clockwise, anti-clockwise, straight ahead. Giving and following directions is a very useful skill, especially if you are visiting a new place or you are lost. We have enjoyed giving and following directions in games too, trying to use precise vocabulary.



## KS2 (Years 5 and 6)

This week in **Year 5** we have busy working out equivalent fractions and how to convert these fractions from a fraction to a decimal and its percentage equivalent. We have used a variety of concrete resources including a fraction wall, a fraction wheel and a pool noodle and built on our existing knowledge about multiplication facts to complete these conversions in more of an abstract way. We have continued with our swimming in 5KK and are looking forward to our 'survival' week of swimming next week - more information to follow!



Some of **Year 6** finished and painted their models of an activity camp using recycled materials. They have been very inventive and worked well in pairs.



## ARETHA FRANKLIN - MULTIPLE CHOICE QUIZ

After reading the Knowledge Organiser, can you answer these questions?

1.) Which Presidential inauguration did Aretha Franklin perform at? Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 a.) George Bush  Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 b.) Barak Obama  
 c.) Donald Trump

2.) What is Aretha Franklin afraid of?  
 a.) spiders   
 b.) flying  
 c.) singing

3.) What name is given to Christian music with strong, powerful singing?  
 a.) jazz   
 b.) hip-hop  
 c.) gospel

4.) Which opera singer did Aretha Franklin replace at last minute?  
 a.) Maria Callas   
 b.) Andrea Bocelli  
 c.) Luciano Pavarotti

5.) What was the name of Aretha Franklin's live gospel album which sold over 2 million copies worldwide?  
 a.) Ain't No Way   
 b.) Chain of Fools  
 c.) Amazing Grace



Total Score

\_\_\_\_ out of 5



Musical of the Month

## Musician of the Month



## ARETHA FRANKLIN



### Timeline

1942	1952	1954	1968	2009	2018
Aretha is born Memphis, U.S.A.	Learns to play the piano	Starts performing in churches	She wins two music awards	Sings at the Barak Obama's inauguration ceremony	Aretha dies at home in Detroit aged 76

### Key Songs

(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman	1967 - This song is all about the beauty of love.
Respect	1967 - Originally written by Otis Reading in 1955, Aretha went on to make this her own.
Ain't No Way	1968 - An emotional song about loving someone who does not love you back.
Say a Little Prayer	1968 - Cover of the original song which became one of her most famous. It is about a women's concern for someone who has gone to war.
Think	1968 - A song about female power.
Amazing Grace	1972 - Aretha releases a live gospel album, selling over 2 million copies.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Aretha Franklin was not a fan of flying. *'I've been to California from Detroit four times this year and Florida. I go wherever I choose to go, comfortably on my custom bus.'*



Musical of the Month

### The Importance of Aretha

#### Music Style

The world had not heard a voice like Franklin's - one that felt so modern but emotional. Her voice was due to her gospel upbringing. Gospel music is usually performed in churches with Christian lyrics and powerful singing. It was her ability to use her powerful gospel voice, and bring elements of jazz and blues into her songs, which stood her out from the crowd.

#### The Rights of Others

Aretha spent much of her life involved in the struggle for both civil rights and women's rights. She wanted black people to have the same rights as white people. Her songs "Respect" and "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman" became important to many.

### Famous Events

#### Substitute Opera Singer

Disaster nearly struck at the 1998 Grammy award show. Luciano Pavarotti (a famous Italian opera singer) could not sing at the last moment, due to illness. Luckily, Aretha Franklin was on hand to save the day. With only 20 minutes to get ready, Franklin made it look like she had been practicing classical music all her life!

#### Presidential Inaugurations

Aretha Franklin performed 'My Country 'tis of thee' when Barak Obama won the U.S. election and was inaugurated in 2009. She also performed at Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton's inaugurations too.

# HAPPY NEWS

TEENS

## KAZAKHSTAN 2,000 year old jewellery discovered in cave

Archaeologists have made an incredible discovery during an excavation in Kazakhstan - 2,000 year old jewellery. Unearthed were a pair of gold earrings, a bronze mirror, arrowheads, beads and other items. The jewellery belonged to the mysterious Kangju culture that lived in Central Asia thousands of years ago. The earrings almost certainly belonged to a noble lady, experts say.



## Save our ugly phone boxes!

A new campaign has launched in the UK to save 'ugly' phone boxes. Whilst many old phone boxes have fallen into disrepair, campaigners argue for their preservation as important cultural landmarks. The propose repurposing them into mini-libraries, art installations, or community hubs.



## USA

### Comic book for mental health

A father-daughter duo from Los Angeles, USA, is inspiring a generation of young people with a new comic book heroine. Comic book creator, Ethan Sacks, had the idea to create the character after his daughter, Naomi, 15, was hospitalised for mental ill health. 'A Haunted Girl' tells the story of a girl struggling with suicidal thoughts, who is the only one who can save earth. The comic book also comes with a mental health guide and resources.



## WORLDWIDE

### F1 scheme launched for girls

A new motorsport scheme has been given the green light. The initiative, by More than Equal, is designed to get girls into Formula 1 and motor racing. Six girls aged between 13 and 14 from around the world have been chosen, because they show high potential within the sport. They will work with experienced driving coaches to develop their racing skills. More than Equal hopes to find and develop a driver who will become the first female Formula 1 Champion.



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# HAPPY NEWS

KIDS

## KENYA

### Elephants call each other by name, study says

Researchers have found that elephants call each other by unique names, just like humans do. This incredible discovery was made in two national parks, Samburu and Amboseli in Kenya. Scientists listened to over 600 elephant calls and learned that each elephant has its own special sound. When elephants heard their sound, they reacted with excitement, showing that they recognised it - just like we recognise our own names!



## Sounds fishy!



A man from Newcastle saved a goldfish he found in his garden. Dr Ben Beska discovered the mystery fish was still alive and quickly put it in water. He has named it Alice, after a text message he sent to a friend autocorrected "it's alive" to "it's alice!"



## LITHUANIA

### Neighbourly celebrations

Residents of two neighbouring villages in Lithuania celebrated Neighbour's Day in style by making a huge picnic table, roughly two and a half miles long. That's the size of 35 football pitches! It took several weeks to build and went over some rough parts of the countryside. When completed, neighbours and friends from the villages gathered and enjoyed a meal together. The aim of Neighbour's Day is to bring communities together, and this huge table certainly did that!



## UK

### Bird spotted in sky after 600 years

White storks have been extinct in England for over 600 years - since Henry VI was king! Last week, one was spotted flying over the Cheshire countryside. It's all thanks to new efforts to re-introduce them back into the country. This particular stork flew from Cotswold Wildlife Park, where Zookeepers help them to build the skills to survive and thrive in England again. Darren Banks who works for Cheshire Wildlife Trust said: "It was fantastic to witness it circling overhead with its incredible wing span."



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Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2023-24

August 2023 to July 2024

2023/2024

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School Holidays

Public Holidays

Administration Day

**Autumn Term**

4 September - 20 October 7 weeks

6 November - 22 December 7 weeks

**Spring Term**

4 January - 9 February 5 weeks 2 days

19 February - 28 March 5 weeks 4 days

**Summer Term**

15 April - 24 May 5 weeks 4 days

3 June - 26 July 8 weeks