

6th June 2018



June Newsletter

Dear Parents,

We had a fantastic start to the final half term of the year with Wonderful World Week in full swing! Some classes have already been on their walk to College Copse Farm and they have returned tired but happy, having thoroughly enjoyed the experience. We are sure that the children will continue to enjoy the outdoor events and environmental opportunities this week. There is more information to be found on page two of this newsletter.

KS2 SATs, KS1 SATs and Phonics Testing

The Year 6 children completed their intense week of exams for their KS2 SATs in May. They managed the week maturely and confidently - we are all very proud of them.

Year 2 children have also completed their end of KS1 SATs. The results of these tasks, in reading and maths, are used to help inform teacher assessment and are not formally reported.

Year 1 will be completing a Phonics screening check during June. This is carried out with Miss Chedzey on a one-to-one basis. You will be informed of whether your child passed this check at the end of year by the class teacher.

Year 5 Swimming

Year 5 begin their Curriculum Swimming on the 11th June. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate swimming equipment on a Monday morning (swimsuit – no bikinis please - and a towel. A swimming hat and goggles are optional). Thank you.

Reports

Class teachers have just started the long and important process of writing your child's report. These will be given to parents at the end of the academic year. Your child's report will contain information based on assessment against Age Related Expectations.

Class lists for September 2018

The class lists for September will be given out later this term. The class teachers begin meeting and thinking about the new classes towards the end of June. The lists then need to go through several checks and drafts before we pass this information onto parents. It is a very carefully considered process and we ask for your patience during this half term whilst we work on assembling the lists and arrangements for next year.

Sports Day Arrangements

Sports day will take place on the morning of Wednesday 4th July. The events are expected to finish at about 12.30 pm and so, as last year, we would like to invite you to stay on and have a picnic lunch on the school field with your child. The children will return to class for the remainder of the afternoon and you can go home for a well-earned rest from all the cheering and supporting in the morning! Our reserve date for Sports Day is Wednesday 11th July, if the weather is exceptionally poor on the 4th July.

Key Stage 2 Production

There will be **two** evening performances for parents to watch the Key Stage 2 production: **Tuesday 10th July** and **Wednesday 11th July**. Both of the performances will start at **6.30 pm**. There will also be a dress rehearsal during the school day for Class 1 and 2 to watch the performance. Further detail about tickets will follow in a separate letter.

Wonderful World Week (WWW) 4th - 8th June

This half-term begins with an exciting week of learning opportunities for the whole school. Everyone will be learning about the world beyond the classroom and getting out and about – feeling the sun on our faces and the mud beneath our wellies! There will be visits to school from specialists in ecology and sustainability who will be educating us about bees and trees: how they impact us and vice versa. Every class will take a turn in walking across the fields to learn more about the area around school and investigate habitats and eco-systems at College Copse Farm and some will walk down to explore Hudson Copse (the woodland behind the Scout Hut).

Please make sure your child has long trousers and sensible footwear for their class's visit(s).

In 2016 WWW was originally inspired by the news that the Oxford Junior Dictionary was replacing 40 nature words with technical ones like 'blog' and 'cut-and-paste'. 'Bluebell', 'conker' and 'acorn' were amongst those to go. At Whitewater, whilst we value the digital age, we also want our children to value and love the natural world and be active within it. The Eco-Councillors will be monitoring one aspect of the week – learning more about the nature and land around us – by seeing which plants, animals and features of the landscape the children can recognise and name before and after their week-long immersion. Ask your child about what they are learning and let them teach you too.



PTA NEWS

2018 Fundraising Ball



The DJ has fallen silent, the venue has been tidied up and all exhausted BUT we raised going to continue improving school. It just remains for one everyone on the ball helped to organise such a brilliant event, Hook House Hotel for the loan of their marquee, Dayle for the music, Matt Sheppard for his artistic skills and ALL OF YOU who came to the party, bought raffle tickets, baked cakes, packed bags, bought cakes, dropped children off at breakfast club, and everything else in between.

THANK YOU

Catherine and Simon



camel is back in his stable, the the ball committee members are an amazing £5,842, which is all the learning environment of the more, final, round of thanks to committee and the PTA who

Treasurer's Update

In the past month we have been successful in receiving grants of £2000 from Tesco's Bags of Help scheme and £500 from Cala Homes Limited, thanks to the efforts of Melissa Wilson in completing the necessary application forms.

With this and the proceeds from the Ball, we have raised enough to write a cheque to the School for the £8,250 estimated as being needed for the WiFi upgrade and purchase of 30 new laptops and tablets this summer term! Fantastic news!

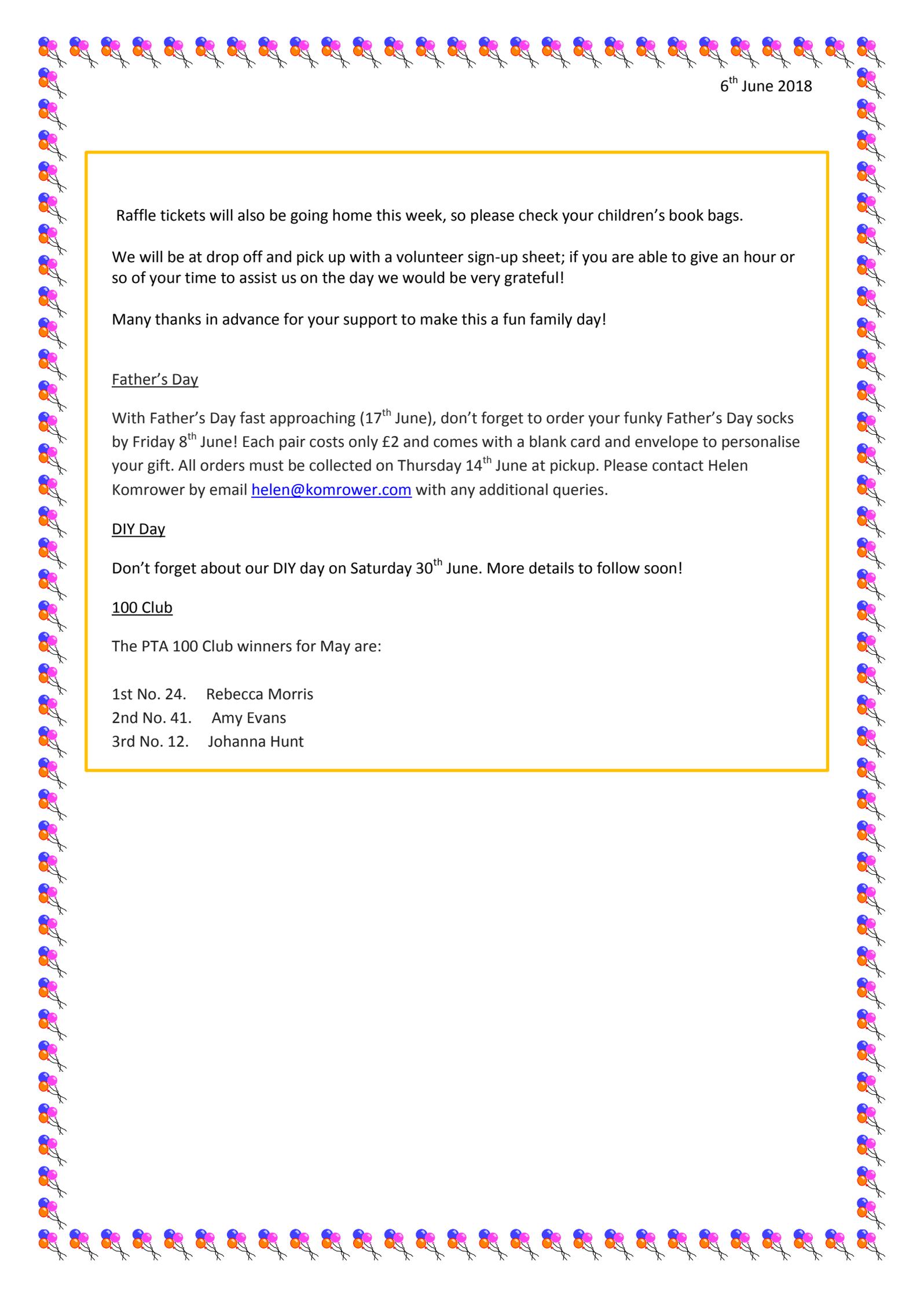
We are also pleased to have sent £222 to the School to purchase new library books from the share of the 100 Club for the new 6 monthly draw.

Summer Fair information

Our Summer Fair will take place on Saturday 16th June from 11am-2pm at the school. Please join us for games, stalls, tombola, BBQ, Bar, cake sale, tea tent and much more! All are welcome and admission is free. We look forward to seeing you and your families there!

Summer Fair preparation

All classes (except Year 1) should have received the cake/tombola letter. If not, please note that Friday 15th June will be a dress down day in lieu of a tombola item and/or a cake donation for the fair. Year 1 will soon receive a letter regarding the hamper. Donations are one per child and need to be brought in on Friday morning of the 15th.



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Raffle tickets will also be going home this week, so please check your children's book bags.

We will be at drop off and pick up with a volunteer sign-up sheet; if you are able to give an hour or so of your time to assist us on the day we would be very grateful!

Many thanks in advance for your support to make this a fun family day!

Father's Day

With Father's Day fast approaching (17th June), don't forget to order your funky Father's Day socks by Friday 8th June! Each pair costs only £2 and comes with a blank card and envelope to personalise your gift. All orders must be collected on Thursday 14th June at pickup. Please contact Helen Komrower by email helen@komrower.com with any additional queries.

DIY Day

Don't forget about our DIY day on Saturday 30th June. More details to follow soon!

100 Club

The PTA 100 Club winners for May are:

- 1st No. 24. Rebecca Morris
- 2nd No. 41. Amy Evans
- 3rd No. 12. Johanna Hunt

Celebrations!

Gold Book

Congratulations to the following children who have been in the Gold Book in May:

- Class 1: Lilly-May, Thomas, Finn, Sylvi, Scarlett, Jenson, Isla and Felix
Class 2: Toby, Tilly, Holly, Elsa, Beau, Chyna, Jasmin and Oliver
Class 3: Aston, Sophie, Helena, Kitty, Jacob M, Martha, Jake and Isabella
Class 4: Darcey, Isabel, Isla, Millie D, Leah, Freddie, Tristan and Emelia
Class 5: Callum, Fran, Elsie and the whole class

Clubs and Outside School

Well done to the following children who have achieved sporting, musical or academic success outside school and in clubs:

Special congratulations to all the children who competed in a schools' triathlon competition. This year Whitewater CE Primary School was represented by three teams! They looked fantastic in their Whitewater kit and were awarded medals for their fantastic effort against a large number of schools.

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the Hook Fun Run. We had a whole line of children showing their medals in assembly!

- Caitlin (Class 3) for gaining Angelfish 1 award in swimming;
Tilly (Class 2) for achieving Goldfish 2 award in swimming;
Afanen (Class 3) for gaining trampoline Level 6 award and participation in the 2018 chess megafinal;
Hugo (Class 2) for receiving a trophy as part of the team for Rushmoor FC League winner;
Izzy (Class 4) for achieving fourth place at a gymnastics competition;
Isla (Class 1) for receiving a trophy in the Dance Championships;
Beatrice (Class 2) for achieving Star of the Week in Dance;
Rosie (Class 2) for achieving her 5m front crawl swimming award;
Zac (Class 3) for receiving a sportsmanship certificate, medal and trophy in rugby;
Sophie (Class 3) for achieving merit in her Tap and Modern dance exams;
Isobel (Class 3) for gaining three rosettes for horse riding: a clear round; sixth place and first place;
Alex (Class 1) for achieving Star of the Week for gymnastics;
Isla (Class 4) and Jake (Class 3) for being Confirmed, an important part of a lifetime journey of faith as a follower of Jesus Christ. They received a candle. Jake also received a medal for 5-a-side football;
Jack (Class 2) for gaining a rosette for horse riding;
Martha (Class 3) for receiving a certificate after enrolling in Brownies;

Final word...

House Points

The winning house for last half term was **Ruby House**. Well done to all the children in this House!

Miss Edwards

DATES LIST

Wednesday 6 th June	Class 3 to College Copse Farm (9 am to 12 noon)
Thursday 8 th June	Class 4 Picnic at Hudson Copse
Friday 9 th June	Classes 3, 4 and 5 Tree Survey
Monday 11 th June	Year 5 National Curriculum Swimming
Thursday 14 th June	Class 3 Visit to the Watercress Line
Friday 15 th June	Class 4 Visit to Manor Farm
Saturday 16 th June	PTA Summer Fair (11 am – 2 pm)
Monday 18 th June	Year 5 National Curriculum Swimming
Wednesday 20 th June	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Winchester Cathedral
Friday 22 nd June	Skipping Workshop for Whole School
Monday 25 th June	Year 5 National Curriculum Swimming
Tuesday 26 th June	Classes 1 and 2 Visit to Kew Gardens
Wednesday 27 th June	Year 6 RMS Induction Day
Thursday 28 th June	Year 6 RMS Induction Day
Friday 29 th June	Class 2 Assembly (9.10 am)
	Dance Workshop for Whole School
Saturday 30 th June	DIY Day (12 noon – 3 pm)
Monday 2 nd July	Year 5 National Curriculum Swimming
Tuesday 3 rd July	Year 6 Think Safe (9 am to 12 noon)
Wednesday 4 th July	Sports Day
Monday 9 th July	Year 5 National Curriculum Swimming
Tuesday 10 th July	Junior Production Evening Performance
Wednesday 11 th July	Reserve Sports Day
	Junior Production Evening Performance
Monday 16 th July	Year 5 National Curriculum Swimming
Wednesday 18 th July	Strawberry Tea
Friday 20th July	END OF TERM – School finishes at 2 pm
Monday 23 rd July	Inset Day