



The Apple



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Dear Parents/Carer

I would like to begin the newsletter by congratulating the Year 6 pupils on the way in which they applied themselves to the SATs this week. It is always a really challenging week for the children in Year 6 as they have worked so hard during their time here and it can feel extremely pressured. As you all know all we ever ask is that children try their hardest and the children in Year 6 did throughout the entire week. Whatever the results we are extremely proud of each and every pupil!

Over the next two weeks the Year 2 pupils will be assessed against the expected standards for pupils at the end of Key Stage 1 (Infants). This means that they will be doing some tests in order to check that the teachers' judgements about their progress are correct. We will make the whole experience as calm and fun (as possible when it is a test). However if you have any concerns then please do talk to your child's the class teacher.

Paul Hill
Headteacher

Forthcoming Fundraising Events

Family Bingo

Weds 24th May Family Bingo 3:30pm in the Studio Hall.
Tickets are £1.50 from the school office

CAKE BAKE OFF

Weds 21st June £1 to enter your baking masterpiece. Cash prizes for 1st 2nd and 3rd places and cakes to be sold at 3:30pm following judging. Buy your ticket from the office to enter!

Marks Magic Kingdom

Thurs 6th July – Details to follow

Ways a Parent Can Help with SPELLING

1 Have your child write spelling words:

- On paper with pencils, pens, markers or paint
- With chalk on a sidewalk or patio
- With dry erase markers on a mirror
- Type on the computer
- With his/her fingers in a plate of pudding
- With fingers in shaving cream on a counter

2

Have your child spell the words out loud while you are in the car or in line at a store

3

Spell words using blocks, Scrabble tiles, or flash cards

(Make your own with index cards - one card for each letter. Consider using different colored cards for vowels)

4

If the list of words to learn is long, have your child choose 4-5 to focus on at a time

5

Have your child write the words in alphabetical order or in order from shortest to longest

6

Play "Hangman" with your child using the spelling words
Make crossword puzzles and word searches with the spelling words for your child to solve

7

Combine spelling with physical activity

Have your child do jumping jacks, saying one letter per jump, or while walking up and down stairs, saying one letter per step

8

Keep a dictionary in your home and help your child look up unfamiliar words

Encourage your child to read!
Good readers are often good spellers.

E-safety



We are always pleased to promote E-safety. Please take the time to discuss the SMART acronym with your children should they use any electronic device which allows them access to the internet.

This week we have begun to add some information sheets about e-safety to the school website. The first sheet gives some useful information about "Pokemon Go" including the way in which it works and the possible risks. Just click on the "Statutory Information" tab and then go to the safeguarding section.

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Over the past two years we have held a final assembly for our Year 6 pupils at 6pm on one of the evenings in the final week of the Summer Term. Parents/Carers and close family members have always been invited and the assembly has been in the evening. However a number of children have not been able to make it after school and this year we would like your opinion. Whatever time we decide to do the assembly it will cause logistical problems for either pupils or adults but we would like to place the assembly at a time that is better for more pupils/family members. Can Parents/Carers of pupils in Year 6 complete the form below:

I would like the assembly to be:

During School in the morning

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During School in the afternoon

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After school at 6pm

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Name of your child: _____