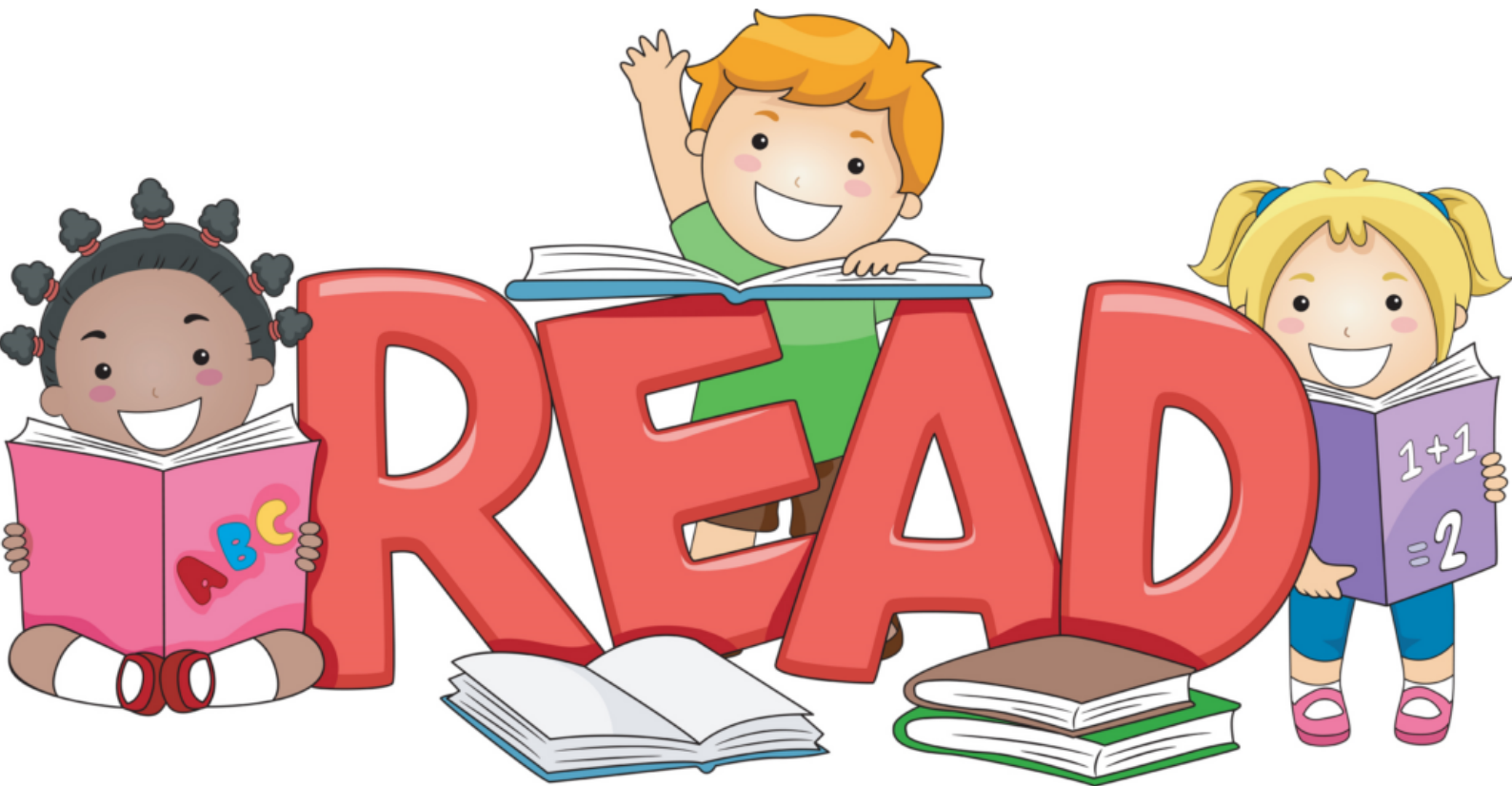




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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

On Tuesday, we welcomed back Whiteknights English Hub to work with us on our early reading and phonics provision. The learning walk we did across reception and infants showcased just how far we have come on our reading journey! Miss Woodward (our visitor) was amazed by the significant progress ALL children had made – from September where many pupils were struggling to blend, until now where the majority of children are reading with increased fluency and confidence. Our youngest pupils should feel incredibly proud of all they have achieved. A special 'shout-out' to Jake, Leyla, Oscar and Riley who have all shown phenomenal progress in their reading and confidence.

Linking onto this, I wanted to reinforce the importance of both reading at home and recording on the Boom Reader app. We continue to have our weekly school competition to see which class has the most '3 or more reads' in a week. This week, I have extended the competition to include: parent, pupil and teacher reads. Regular reading at home is such a key foundation of learning and we continue to strive for ALL children to record 3 or more reads on the app each week. Please promote that love of reading at home and encourage your child to pick up a book.

Finally, I wanted to provide a polite reminder about PE lessons. Physical Education is not only a legal requirement of the National Curriculum but it is also important for both the physical and mental wellbeing of our children. We are continuing to see children across the school forgetting their PE kits and missing out on these valuable sessions. Please can you ensure your child has a full PE kit in school on Monday which stays in school for the week. Thank you for your support with this.

Wishing you a restful and happy long weekend.

Mrs J Lewry
Headteacher



**We will be closed for the
Early May Bank Holiday on
Monday 1st May 2023**



DRAGON CLUB May Half Term

May half term booking forms are now available from the Dragon Club.

Hurry and book your child's place now.

Lots of exciting activities planned!



Plea for Plant Donations

We are very excited to be taking part in this year's Newbury in Bloom competition.

If any of our avid gardening parents/carers have some unwanted/excess plants, we will be very grateful for your donations.

Thank you!



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AWARDS

AND THE
WINNERS
ARE...



Achievement and PSHE Awards

	SCHOOL	PSHE
Wisteria	Lily-Rae Terry	Alex Martyniak
Cherry	Nishika Nuni	Isla Hooper
Oak	Harry Davies	Nathaniel Newing
Ash	Matthew Tucker	Alisha-Rose Ballard
Willow	Darcy Mulkerrin	Esmee Rose Bejinariu
Hawthorn	Maria-Elisa Mihai	Jack Kingston-Jones
Juniper	Harley Chandler	Berat Findik
Maple	Kinga Drewa	Lizzy Mildenhall
Acer	Awstin Lewis	Alexander Thurstan
Redwood	Ella Noka	Klim Taranov
Cedar	Aleigha Terry	Chloe Rubery



HOUSE WINNER THIS WEEK

The Dagon's Eggs results for this week are:

1st Zolty 303

2nd Laal 302

3rd Azul 257

4th Verde 242

Congratulations to Zolty!



Below are the results for the class that had the most children read 3 times or more from Monday 17th April to Sunday 23rd April.
Sadly, only 18 children in the whole school kept up with our reading expectations.

Let's see a BIG improvement this week!

Wisteria 23 children
Cedar 18 children
Oak 16 children
Maple 16 children
Acer 15 children
Cherry 15 children
Redwood 13 children
Hawthorn 13 children
Juniper 13 children
Ash 10 children
Willow 9 children



ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance is 92.98% **WELL DONE!**

Last week's attendance was 86.20%

There was also 375 learning minutes lost this week through late arrivals.

Please ensure your child is in class for 8.30 am.

EVERY DAY REALLY DOES MATTER!

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

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CHILDREN'S AMAZING WORK THIS WEEK

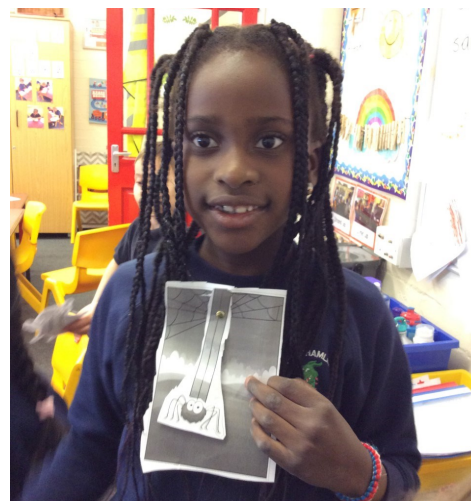


This week the children in Wisteria Class have been busy making their toy cars. They learnt all about how to use tools safely and have been putting this into practise!



This week in Design Technology, the Year 1 children have been making pivot mechanisms, building on their learning last week of making sliding mechanisms. The final expectation will be to make moving pictures using different techniques.

If you have any books at home that have moving parts, these are great to read to support this learning.



This week, the Upper Juniors have been completing some exciting science work. They discovered how DNA works and created their own DNA Double Helices using sweets!



Some of the children in Lower Juniors have been very hands on with learning their fractions this week. They even used cake to help them!

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LUNCH MENU

Aspens



Please see below our cook's yummy lunch menu for next week

AND the special King's Coronation menu on Thursday 4th May.

Just book via Parent Pay and enjoy!

Aspens

**FOOD
FESTIVAL**
by Aspens

Spring / Summer 2023 : 27/2, 20/3, 10/4, 1/5, 22/5, 12/6, 3/7, 24/7

LUNCH WEEK 2 MENU

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



MAIN EVENT

BANK HOLIDAY	Beef Burger in a Bun Wedges Sweetcorn	Roast Gammon Roasties Fresh Veg & Gravy	Sausage Roll Crispy Chips Beans	Golden Fish Fingers (Salmon or Pollock) Chips Beans
BANK HOLIDAY	Veggie Burger in a Bun Wedges Sweetcorn	Summer Veg Tart Roasties Fresh Veg & Gravy	Veggie Sausage Roll Crispy Chips Beans	Cheesy Bean Wrap Chips
Hot Tomato Pasta				
Crispy Skin Jackets with Tasty Toppings				
Pick & Mix Packed Lunch				
BANK HOLIDAY	Vanilla Cup Cake	Chocolate Brownie	Cream Tea Muffin	Lemon Cookie



MEAT-FREE MAGIC



PASTA TWIRLER



BIG TOPPING



PICK AND MIX



DESSERT TROLLEY



THE KING'S CORONATION

Thursday 4th May
SPECIAL MENU

Sausage Roll
Served with Crispy Chips and Beans

Veggie Sausage Roll
Served with Crispy Chips and Beans

Hot Tomato Pasta
Pick & Mix Packed Lunch

Cream Tea Muffin

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