



PTCPS Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we close this academic year, I would like to extend my thanks to you all. It has certainly been a year full of new challenges but I feel immensely proud of all that the school, children, parents/ carers and staff have achieved.

As a school, we have six core values. Love and care, Respect, Friendship, Resilience, Enjoyment and Curiosity.

The resilience demonstrated by all, meeting the demands of the ongoing changes and situations we have found ourselves in has certainly shined through and the children's ability to adapt is commendable.

In today's newsletter, I have asked each class to reflect on their year...

Elm



What an amazing class I have! As the year draws to a close, we have all had a moment to reflect, consider and appreciate our time in school. Lockdown aside, we have had a wonderful year full of fun, laughter, exciting topics and ending with a wonderful school visit to Port Lympne.

I have greatly enjoyed the year 6-celebration week and for the year 5 picnic, which have provided fantastic memories to finish our school year together.

Year 5 and I wish the year 6 all the best in

the future.

As for me, I will miss you all and take many memories to keep me smiling all year. Thank you for being wonderful parents and carers and I hope these amazing children go on to do great things.

Oak



Over the last year, we have adapted to our new 'normal' with ease and have loved being back together in school; it is as if we have never been apart and cannot remember what life was like before COVID!

We have enjoyed many fun events during the year:

playing rounders (for some people who had never played it, it took a while for them to get it [it was still fun]); singing in the virtual choir; learning dances for the Maypole (now that was fun); we enjoyed guitar recitals in the class by those who learn with Red Butler and online assemblies.

In art this year, we have learnt to draw artefacts in our time traveller topic, miniature portraits in our Tudor topic and pointillism (individual and whole class art, which is a work in progress), pop art and learnt about different shades of pencils to sketch; and had a lot of fun experimenting and developing our skills.

We enjoyed the themed weeks and the research for our topics and as part of our Olympic topic, and learning about Japan, we tested our finger skills by making lots of origami animals and more.

We have learnt a lot and enjoyed our time in Oak Class: every second of every day we laugh and smile!

Co-written by Zoe and Mrs Winter



Hazel



In Hazel class this year we have ...

Been taste testing different vegetables,

Made and eaten bread with Warburton's, dinosaur cookie, Easter egg nests, caterpillars out of vegetables and drunk hot chocolate while watching a pantomime!

We have been visited by Captain Cook and learnt about where he sailed and the food that he ate on the ships.

During lockdown we virtually visited Bodiam Castle and then we made our own castles out of cardboard, paper,

lego and even horses(Plastic ones of course!).

We looked at tunnels around the world and we drew them using pencil skills.

Then came Roman day! We dressed up as different Roman people such as Caesar. We researched and then made our own shields decorating them using paint with our different design. We had swords, lightning bolts, arrows, skull and crossbows and lion heads on our designs. We enjoyed acting out the story of Boudicca.

We have studied and read lots of great books such as; Escape from Pompeii, Stone girl, bone girl, Slime, Never tickle a tiger, Charlie Morphs into a Mammoth, How many jelly beans, Badgers bad mood, Paddington and 100 Hungry Ants. We made up our own endings to The Lost Happy Endings and George and the Dragon. We learnt about perseverance with The Robot who went to Mars.

We even guessed who was who in baby pictures.

In maths we have learnt a lot about numbers including rounding, as well as fractions, column addition and subtractions, Time capacity, and direction. We must not forget our number bond and times table challenges we completed weekly! We have grown and measured sunflowers, pumpkins, peas and other flowers.

Finally, don't forget our amazing trip to Port Lympne.

Beech



We have had a wonderful year in Beech class, despite COVID- 19 trying to spoil it! We have been amazing at learning from home and we would like to thank Parents for their support during this challenging time.

We have learnt about different places and celebrations around the world; famous people; celebrations around the world. Port Lympne was amazing although very tiring. We have grown many plants in our garden and this week we have eaten our goodies.



As you can see, so much has been learnt and remembered in a year of consistent change. Well done to all of the children for a fantastic year.

To the year 6 children, it has been a delight to get to know you all and to see you finish your journey at Punnetts Town School. The year group have enjoyed a super week of celebrations and despite the heat and tiredness showed exemplary behaviour. They expressed great thanks to all the staff for facilitating the range of event including Port Lympne, bowling, Seven Sisters walk, nerf wars, sleepover, fish and chips, films, pizza and hoodies! Well done year 6, you are certainly secondary ready and we all wish you a heartfelt goodbye and wish you lots of luck in the next stage of your education.

Thank you to all of the staff for being simply amazing! Their dedication and hard work has ensured the school has continued to thrive.

We wish Mr Agate lots of happiness and enjoyment for his career break and look forward to hearing all about his news and travel over this next year.

Thank you to the parents and carers for working so hard to support us, more than ever, this year. Finally, to the Governors who have offered much help, support and guidance in our turbulent year.

I wish you all a wonderful summer and hope you remain well and enjoy some well-deserved family fun days. I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 6th September, to start our new academic year together.

Kind Regards

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Key Dates

Term 1	
Wednesday 1 st September	INSET
Thursday 2 nd September	INSET
Friday 3 rd September	INSET
Monday 6 th September	All children return to school in full school uniform and PE kits in PE bags for pegs/lockers
Wednesday 20 th October	Last day of term
Thursday 21 st October	INSET
Friday 22 nd October	INSET
Monday 25 th October – Friday 29 th October Half term	
Term 2	
Monday 1 st November	Children back to school
Friday 17 th December	Last day of term
Monday 20 th December – Monday 3 rd January – Christmas holiday	
Term 3	
Tuesday 4 th January	Children back to school
Friday 11 th February	Last day of term
Monday 14 th February – Friday 18 th February – Half term	
Term 4	
Monday 21 st February	Children back to school
Friday 1 st April	Last day of term
Monday 4 th April – Monday 18 th April – Easter holidays	
Term 5	
Tuesday 19 th April	Children back to school
Friday 27 th May	Last day of term
Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June – Half term	
Term 6	
Monday 6 th June	Children back to school
Friday 22 nd July	Last day of term