

Update from Headteacher



Well done to all the year 6 pupils who sat their SATs papers this week.

We are very proud of you!

Value this half-term



Big Question of the week

What is Pentecost?

KIND REMINDER – Code of conduct for visitors and parents/carers

We are thankful and very fortunate to have supportive and friendly parents. As a school we are committed to building positive relationships with our community, for the benefit of all our pupils.





It is however upsetting to learn, that our Office Staff has been subject to abusive behaviour this week. We kindly request that you approach the school respectfully and courteously.

As per the policy, we will not tolerate abuse towards our staff. ***Should any abusive behaviour occur on school premises, the school may feel it necessary to contact the appropriate authorities and if necessary, even ban the offending adult(s) from entering the school grounds.***



Upcoming dates for the diary












15-19.05.23	Walk to School week
16.05.23	Governors' and Parents' Open Meeting 9.15am This is TUESDAY not Wednesday as originally stated – apologies.
19.05.23	Parents are invited to Orange – Yellow Class Assembly
24.05.23	Mini Tennis 9.30am to 12 Noon for Green – Blue Class
26.05.23	Parents are invited to Red - Orange Class Assembly
07.06.23 / 08.06.23	Bikeability for year 6
08.06.23	PSHE/RSHE Parents meeting 15.30-16.00
09.06.23	Parents are invited to Indigo – Violet Class Assembly
14.06.23	Kids Walk Day arranged by the Road Safety Charity Brake
16.06.23	Parents are invited to Green – Blue Class Assembly
17.06.23	Parent volunteers to help out with bits and bobs – SATURDAY
23.06.23	Parents are invited to Orange – Yellow Class Assembly
27.06.23	Governors' and Parents' Open Meeting at 15.30pm
30.06.23	Parents are invited to Red- Orange Class Assembly
04.07.23	KS2 (years 3 to 6) Athletics Festival
05.07.23	SUMMER SPORTS DAY
07.07.23	Parents are invited to Indigo – Violet Class Assembly
14.07.23	Reports home to Parents
14.07.23	Non Uniform Day for Year 6 only
19.07.23	Year 6 Leavers' Performance at 1pm followed by Church Service at 2pm
20.07.23	Picnic with Parents and early break-up
21.07.23	Inset Day for Staff – School Closed.

Whole School House Points

	Ants 	Badgers 	Locusts 	Lizards 
Red-Orange Class	40	34	22	14
Orange-Yellow Class	5	14	19	1
Green-Blue Class	1	13	12	16
Indigo-Violet Class	22	20	20	22
TOTAL	1970	1814	1943	1997

Attendance

		Academic year	Period average attendance	Number of Persistent Absence pupils (below 90%)
Our school target	96%	2022/2023	94%	9
Attendance this week	95%	2021/2022	94%	12
Attendance this year	94%	2020/2021	94%	11
		2019/2020	91%	5
		2018/2019	95%	2

Red-Orange Class			84%	
Orange-Yellow Class			97%	
Green-Blue Class			95%	
Indigo-Violet Class			98%	

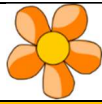
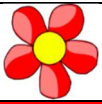
**Attendance this week:
63 pupils out of 75 pupils which is 84%**

Alice B	Dylan C	Jett	Naomi
Alice Cu	Emily	Joey	Paul
Amber	Ethan	Jude	Phoebe
Amelia	Eva	Kai	Ralph
Archie	Finlay	Kezia	River
Autumn	Florence	Knightley	Scarlett
Ava G	Freddy	Lillie	Sebastian
Barney	Freya G	Loki	Sidney
Brooke	Freya J	Lucas	Sienna
Cassidy	Gabriella	Maci	Talia
Charlotte	George A	Madison	TeddieT
Chloe	Harrison Mc	Mason	Teddy CG
Daisy	Harrison P	Maxwell	Teddy Davis
Dolly	Jessica	Mikey	William
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Red-Orange Class

**Class Register Teacher:
Mrs Joanne Hammond**

Reception

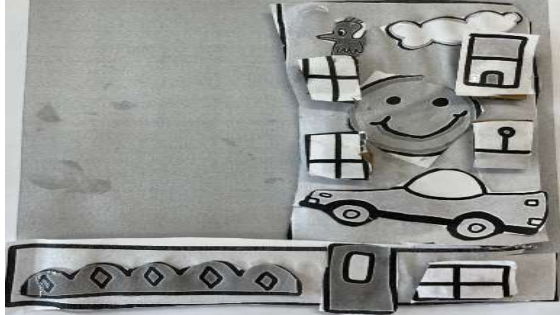
Year 1

This week in English, Reception and Year 1 have been planning and writing a voyage and return story.

In Maths Reception have been exploring recognising a half of a shape and sharing quantities into a half. Year 1 have been learning how to recognise half of a shape or object and have been finding half of a quantity.



During our Art lessons we have looked at the work of the artist James Rizzi and this week the children created a 3D piece of his work, using the layering technique.



The Year One children are given phonics homework every Friday, could you please help your child to learn the tricky words and the words learnt this week at the bottom of the page, this should total ten words.

Starting next Friday, I will be testing the children on these spellings, as spelling is something we need to work on as a class.

Reception children will be given 5 tricky words to learn at home every Friday, starting today. I will also be checking they have learnt these at home every Friday, starting next week. Please make sure your child has their reading record in school every day as we write in these during our reading sessions.

Please make sure your child does not bring in any toys from home, as this causes upset and distress if they are misplaced.

Thank you once again for your kind support.

Little Wandle books should have now been sent home to all children. Please ensure you read with them and write in their reading records. **Please remember to put reading books in book bags! Otherwise we cannot give out a new reading book. If books are lost or damaged parents will be charged a fee to replace.**

Merits and Awards

Reader of the week	Loki
Writer of the week	Evie
Mathematician of the week	William
Scientist of the week	Freya
Star of the week	Knightley
Pen licence	N/A

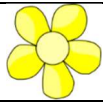
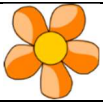
Buddies of the Week



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Orange- Yellow Class

Class Register Teacher: Miss Lauren Seeley

Year 1

Year 2



In Art our topic is Street View. We created a street picture in the style of the artist James Rizzi.

We used the cardboard layering technique. We cut around each shape using the outer black lines as a guide. Then we glued pieces of corrugated cardboard to the back of the house and road cut out. We used the cardboard layering technique to attach the cut outs to the picture.

Have a look at our artwork!

YEAR 2 REMINDER- Please remember that next week we will be doing our SATs, it is really important that all of the Year 2 children are in school every day. Many thanks.

Merits and Awards

Reader of the week	Daisy
Writer of the week	Ava
Mathematician of the week	Harrison
Scientist of the week	N/A
Star of the week	Kai
Pen licence	N/A

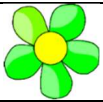
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**Green-Blue
Class**

**Class Register Teacher:
Mrs Jenny Dean**

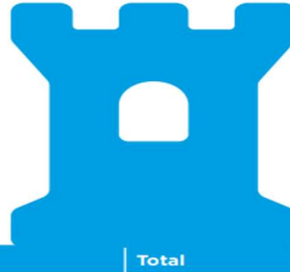
Year 3

Year 4

In maths, we have been getting to grips with money! We have been adding, subtracting, giving change and looking at the four operations – as well as completing reasoning and problem solving questions! Have a go at this challenge together!

You have £100 to spend on a day out. Where would you go? Would you take any family members? How much would it cost? Could you visit more than one place?

Make up a day's plan of real places to visit and how much it would cost. Here is an example of a day out, but you can go anywhere you like! You don't have to use all your money.



Curriculum Link

Add and subtract amounts of money using both £ and p in practical contexts.

Place	Who	Cost	Total
Castle	2 adults and 2 children	Adults £8.00 each Children £5.00 each	£26.00
Beach	1 adult and 2 children	Only ice-creams £2.00 each	£6.00
Zoo	2 adults and 2 children	Adults £15.00 each Children £6.00 each	£42.00
Ice skating	1 adult and 4 children	Adult £10 Children £4 each	£26.00

Don't forget to complete your daily activity booklet and switch your school ride for a school stride!



**Walk to School Week
15 – 19th May 2023**



**This week's
Physical Education
Top Players are:**



Follow the link for the weekly homework.

<https://aop.atomlearning.com/>



Click [here](#) and [here](#) for the links to daily Times Tables practise

Merits and Awards

Reader of the week	Sid
Writer of the week	John James
Mathematician of the week	Ralph
Scientist of the week	Cash
Star of the week	Alice
Pen licence	N/A

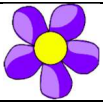
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Year 5



Year 6

Indigo-Violet Class

Class Register Teacher:
Mrs Karin Vorster



WE DID IT!
Celebrations all around.

Key stage 2 SATS are now completed and I would like to say thank you to every child in Indigo/Violet class. You have all done so well this week.

Year 6 pupils completed all the tests showing perseverance and resilience and all the year 5 pupils worked together as a team, showing great support to all the year 6 pupils! I am so proud of you!

Merits and Awards

Reader of the week	NA
Writer of the week	NA
Mathematician of the week	NA
Scientist of the week	NA
Stars of the week	All the pupils in Indigo/Violet class
Pen licence	NA

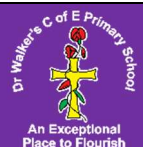
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This week we have all been caring for one another!

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Other News

Year 6 pupils enjoyed a breakfast in the mornings before SATs.

Thanks to Mrs Vorster and Mrs Spanton for arranging this.



100% Attendance – Spring term

Congratulations to the following pupils who had a 100% Spring term attendance. They will be receiving their badges in assembly.

- Archie (year 5)
- Ava (year 6)
- Chloe (year 6)
- Dylan (year 6)
- Ethan (year 1)
- Eva (year 2)
- Freya J (year 5)
- Harrison P (year 6)
- Sebastian (year 6)
- Sienna (year 5)



Mrs Morris will unfortunately not be in school for a few weeks, however will be returning thereafter. We are pleased to have Mrs Nicholas covering the office during the period of absence. We will be thinking of Mrs Morris.



The EYFS area has a brand new tepee!



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Mr Bianch dismantled the old delapidated shed. Planters to replace the old shed.



Walk to School week (Monday, 15th May – Friday, 19th May).



BRAKE'S KIDS WALK

Because everyone has the right to walk safely in their community

Every year, thousands of primary schoolchildren take part in Brake's Kids Walk to learn important road safety messages and shout out for their right to make safe and healthy journeys.

The next Brake's Kids Walk will take place on
Wednesday 14 June 2023

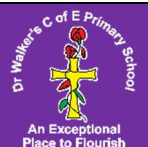
What is Brake's Kids Walk?

Brake's Kids Walk involves thousands of primary schoolchildren walking at the same time to promote the health and planet-saving benefits of walking and shout out for their right to make safe and healthy journeys.



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Why is Brake's Kids Walk important?

At Brake, we believe that every child has the right to walk in their community without fear of traffic and pollution. Danger from traffic is a big factor in whether families are able to walk safely in the places where they live. It affects their ability to be healthy and socially active.

Children of all ages are at risk of being hurt or killed when walking near roads. On average, six children are killed or seriously injured on roads in Britain every day – that's equivalent to a whole class of children every single week.

Brake's Kids Walk is a great way to inspire and engage children about the dangers they face, promote the benefits of walking, and raise awareness among parents and the wider community about the need to protect children on roads.

<p>PSHE/RSHE parents meeting</p> <p>08.06.23</p>	<p>R.S.E. Parent Meeting</p> 	<p>As a part of your child's education at Dr Walker's, we promote personal well-being and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education programme.</p> <p>PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.</p> <p>We are writing to let you know that after half term, your child's class will be taking part in lessons which will focus on the Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) aspect of this programme. We will only be teaching the statutory guidance as part of the Science National Curriculum. Sex Education is not taught at KS1. In KS2 puberty and changing bodies are taught in Health Education and Science.</p> <p>We would like to invite you to attend a parent information meeting on Thursday 8th June from 3:30 p.m. - 4p.m. to find out more about what your child will learn, view the materials and resources being used in lessons and discover how you can best support your child to discuss these topics at home.</p> <p>As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents. If you would like to find out more or discuss any concerns, we would urge you to attend the information meeting and look forward to seeing you there.</p>
<p>SATURDAY 17.06.23</p>	<p>Parents are invited to help out with maintenance and odd jobs in school.</p> <p>Please contact the school office if you are available to help.</p>	
<p>Parent Governor</p>	<p>We have TWO vacancies for a parent governor and would be grateful for any parents who want to make a positive contribution to show an interest to perhaps join the Governing Body.</p>	
<p>Brentwood School Taster Day</p>	<p>Brentwood School is having a taster day on 14th October 2023, please click here for me details.</p>	

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Term and Holiday Dates - Academic Year 2023-2024

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	School closed: Holidays		School closed: Bank Holiday		School closed: Staff training (INSET)		School days		Weekend
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In addition, schools allocate five non-pupil days out of the school days indicated, or the equivalent in disaggregated twilight sessions.

Autumn Term	Monday, 4 September 2023 – Wednesday, 20 December 2023 <i>Half Term 23 October – 27 October</i>	73 days
Spring Term	Thursday, 4 January 2024 – Thursday, 28 March 2024 <i>Half Term 19 February - 23 February</i>	58 days
Summer Term	Monday, 15 April 2024 – Tuesday, 23 July 2024 <i>Half Term 27 May – 31 May, and May Bank Holiday - 6 May</i>	66 days
		195 days

You are strongly advised to check with the school before making any holiday or other commitments.

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