

Summer  
2023

## BISPHAM DRIVE JUNIOR SCHOOL

21st Century Learning for the 21st Century Child



May 5th 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have lots of positive messages to send out this week, not the least of which is the message of support to our wonderful, hard working year 6 pupils.

I can also report that as I hoped, our year 5 pupils were absolute stars during their visit to the mosque this week. Mrs Hassan has used her technical know how to create a lovely photo montage to give a flavour of the event. You will find that attached to this bulletin. Thank you to our year 5s for representing the school so well.

I will also highlight Mia Price in year 3 who had a dramatic hair cut this week and donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust. It will be used to make wigs for children who have lost their hair through cancer treatment. Mia looks lovely with her shorter hair and has shown so many of our school values in what she has done. Fabulous!

I can't finish this message without mentioning the coronation. The school has been vibrant with red, white and blue outfits today and the children have enjoyed a special picnic lunch. They have also done a variety of activities to help them understand the event and just how special it is. I hope that you enjoy the weekend and the coronation bank holiday on Monday. I will look forward to hearing from the children about how they have celebrated it when they come back into school on Tuesday.

Best wishes

Andrea Goetzee

Headteacher

## Notices

### Message for Year 6

Next week is Sats week and I hope you will join me in wishing all of our year 6 pupils the very best of luck. To be fair, it doesn't come down to luck, they have all worked extremely hard, made fantastic progress and deserve to do really well. I'm happy to report that the mood in the year group is one of excitement and a wish to show just how much they know. It's always a week the children enjoy which is just the positive attitude that will ensure they achieve their best. If your child is doing Sats next week, help them relax this weekend and above all get some good nights' sleep so that they are ready

Coronation competition - A number of children have said to me that with their outside commitments there hasn't been enough time for them to complete an entry for the 'Portrait of the King' competition. Therefore, I am extending the deadline until next Thursday so they can take inspiration from the coronation itself. There will be a prize for each class of a £15 Amazon voucher so let's get creating.

Inset Days 2023/2024 academic year - The Inset days for next year are Thursday 4th January, Monday 26th February, Friday 21st and Monday 24th June. The long weekend in June has been popular in the past and I am pleased we can bring it back next year.



## Key Dates

### May

8th Coronation Bank Holiday

9th - 12th Sats Week

26th Behaviour Reward Afternoon

26th End of half term

### June

5th Return to school

5th World Environment Day

5th Year 4 Times tables check begins

7th Sports Day (8th Back up day)

13th Class and team photos

w/c 19th Year 6 residential

26th Inset day

w/c 27th Assessment week

27th Year 2 children visit with parents

29th Banks Road sports afternoon here

30th Year 6 transition event

### July

14th Reports out

17th/18th Year 6 premiere

19th Parents meetings about reports

20th Year 6 leavers' event



## Headteacher's Awards

Orion	2	Pegasus	8
Hydra	2	Leo	3
Columba	1	Volans	10
Andromeda	2	Phoenix	4

### Heroes

Orion: Emily B.

Pegasus: Sophie B.

Hydra: William E.

Leo: Seen Zi

Columba: Reece P.

Volans: Phoebe C.

Andromeda: Colas C.

Phoenix: Daisy W.

Forest School: Orla V.

Lego is one of the most popular activities at our popular Breakfast and After School clubs. We plan to purchase more but before we do thought we would send out a request to anyone who is thinking of getting rid of any Lego and might like to donate it to the school. Anything amount will be a useful addition to what we already have. Thank you.

