



# NEWSLETTER

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

This week has completely flown by and there has been so much fantastic learning happening. We have had a visitor in school looking at our safeguarding and she was extremely complimentary about how Ready, Respectful and Safe our pupils are.

## Sponsorship



We appreciate that with rising costs of everything, that every penny counts. In order to have the opportunity of the Olympian visiting us, we had to have the sponsored event. Having counted all the donations

**DRUM ROLL PLEASEEEEEEEEEEEEE**

We have collected a whopping

**£4334.69**



Part of this money collected will go towards costs for the Olympian visit, the rest will be used to purchase outdoor equipment to support pupils having a more active playtime. I cannot thank you all enough. I know that some of you have raised concerns regarding the 'incentives' that were advertised. This was not something that we as a school organised and apologise if this has caused any issues. It certainly was not intentional but something we will take into consideration next time.

## [Clubs](#)



Our after-school clubs have been running for the past three weeks and last Friday we had the first session of our mini medics. During this session they were learning about Dr ABC and the children who attended could all talk confidently about what they have learnt.



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Our aim at Little Gannets is to make food fun & enjoyable.



About

### Who Are We?

My name is Emma, I'm an AFN certified Nutrition Coach based in Telford, Shropshire. I'm really passionate about helping families, so I have a variety of packages to help you achieve a healthy diet- these include weaning and fussy eating support as well as helping you parents with your own diet and how to meet your own nutritional goals in a family-friendly way. I cover Telford/Shrewsbury area in person and I also offer virtual support for people nationwide.

I am a massive foodie too, and I post a lot of free recipes up on my website. Whether you're a client using them as part of your meal plan or you just need some inspiration on what to feed your family day-in-day-out hopefully there's something for you.

My ethos is very much on getting that balance between food enjoyment and nourishment right. I have a heavy emphasis on fun family meals and I am also a strong advocate in getting your kids involved in the kitchen (many of my free recipes detail how you can do this too).

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Due to the success of Little Gannets for Reception to Year 2, we are now offering our Year 3 – 6 pupils the opportunity to attend cookery class. **This will start Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2024**

Day	Club	Year Group	Max No	Cost	Duration	Provider
Tuesday	Cooking Class	Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	20	£5 per session	6 sessions 4:30pm finish	Little Gannets

## [How to book – Going Live at 7pm tonight](#)

Booked through My Child At School.

Any further questions, contact Hazel in the office.

Next year, we aim to offer Little Gannets to Year 5 and 6 Autumn term, Year 3 and 4 Spring term and Reception, Year 1 and 2 in the Summer term. With two clubs per term and 20 pupils per club, this will provide the opportunity for quite a lot of children to benefit from this.

### Our Wonderful Pupils Share Good News

On Thursday, I received an email from PC Davies informing me of actions taken by one of pupils which displayed one of our Values of Integrity. Whilst attending swimming, Scarlett discovered a £20 note which she immediately took to the local Police Station. As this was not claimed in the 28 days, Scarlett has been rewarded with the £20 note which is the case when money has been handed in. We were really pleased that PC Davies could join us this morning in our Collective Worship. During this time Scarlett also received a Principal's Award which she is proudly showing off in the photograph.

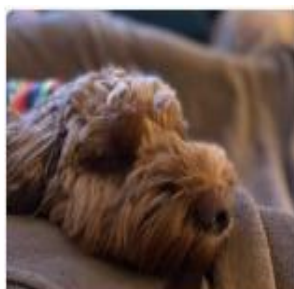


We have also had Austin who received his brown belt yesterday in karate. This shows that he has worked exceptionally hard and been very dedicated. I know that his parents are very proud, and we are too. Fantastic achievement Austin.



### Happy St. George's Day

Wishing you all a Happy St. George's Day for Tuesday. It was also a special day for my George (named this as he was born on St. George's Day) and Teddy as it was their birthday. They are now 3!



Whatever you are choosing to do this weekend, make sure that you have a wonderful time. See you all on Monday.



Mrs Welsh xx 😊

## Year 5 News

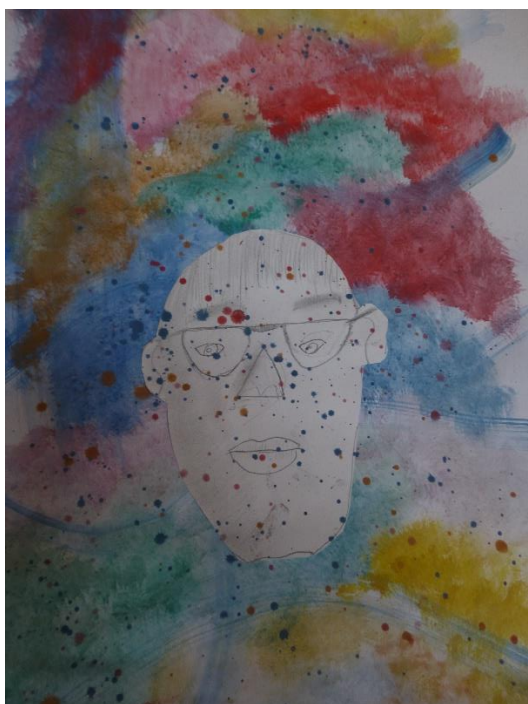
Children in Y5 have been exploring the use of different media in their artwork. They have formed opinions about their own work and the work of other artists. We are sure you will agree how good their work looks!





# Year 6 News

Year 6 enjoyed their Art lessons exploring portraits last week. Some of their amazing final pieces are shown below:



In English we are reading *Journey to Jo'Burg* by Beverley Naidoo. This week the children have written descriptive narratives of the children's journey. Here are some great examples:



Outskirts of Johannesburg

Time passed moments later, in the sweltering heat we slowly approached the polluted, imposing city which had the blazing hot sun glaring down as Johannesburg. Minutes passed, on the endless, remote road, while I looked out wearily at the sandy desert. A second later, we had slowed down the ~~hottest~~ lorry; and Rra told us (sympathetically) that we would need to get out soon and politely gave us some rather shiny cans. With a sad goodbye, we started our long track to see our mother.

We were sitting down on the dry grass, as the sun shone down on us causing painful blisters to form. All of a sudden, I heard a loud roar coming closer and closer when suddenly a large lorry-truck was next to us. Its tires screeched loudly as the vehicle came to a halt. "What are you doing out here this early?" queried the truck driver. "We are travelling to Johannesburg!" I replied calmly. "It will take you weeks to get there by foot. Why don't I drive you there?" He offered kindly. "Sure!" I replied.

I looked around and admired the beautiful scenery surrounding me and Iiro. I protected my eyes from all of the dirt that was flying everywhere. Slowly a smile spread across my face as the trees waved hello.

As we and Tiro step got onto the scorching metal of the lorry, I think about the destination and seeing near. The engine roars loudly like a lion and we set off into the roads of ~~the~~ ~~road~~ ~~away~~ ~~from~~ ~~the~~ ~~city~~ ~~of~~ ~~Johannesburg~~. In the distance, the trees are dancing in the wind and the leaves are waving in the breeze. I gaze at the cracks in the clays lurching over me. The wings of toxic swarms of coming from the patch. The birds low whistles and soothed me and I rest my head on the sweet, soft, spongy oranges. I wake up to the low hums of cattle trotting along the barren road. Trot. Trot. Trot.

After we wrote them, we spent some time evaluating our writing and completing peer partner assessments of each other's descriptions.



In PE, we have been having sessions with our new coach from Passmasters. We are focusing on improving our tennis skills.



I'm quite good at tennis!

It's fun playing little games in 2 vs 2

Playing it reminds me of table tennis that I like to play but the racket is very different.

In Computing, we have been programming Micro:Bits to become activity selectors. We had to think carefully about each part of the algorithm to ensure each step worked correctly.



As we approach SATs week, here is a website with some fun games to practise spelling, punctuation and grammar rules.

[Rollama · Solo Games Menu](#)

These games are available free, you don't need to subscribe or start a free trial.

Regular practice of times tables facts is also key to helping the children answer arithmetic and reasoning questions in maths. The following website has a range of games that may be useful:

[Times Tables Games for 7 to 11 year olds \(topmarks.co.uk\)](#)



# KS1 Multi Skills Festival

A few children from key stage 1 attended a Multi Skills Festival at Telford Tennis Centre on Tuesday.

They completed 8 mini games all associated with the Olympic games.



The children received help learning about each activity before taking part. These activities included.

- Long Jump
- Basketball Shooting
  - Hockey
  - Rugby
  - Volleyball
- Crown Green Bowls



At the end of each activity the children received a stamp on a certificate for them to take home.



## Well Done KS1





## Breakfast Club!



Breakfast will be served from **7:30am-8:15am**, if your child needs breakfast from us then please drop them off prior to the 8:15am cut off point.

Breakfast available includes a variety of cereals, toast, crumpets, bagels, yoghurts, fruit & squash.

We do have a **limit** on breakfast per child this would look like the following –

- 1-2 small bowls of cereal
- 1-2 pieces of toast
- 1 crumpet
- 1 bagel or ½ bagel
- 1 bowl of cereal & 1 piece of toast



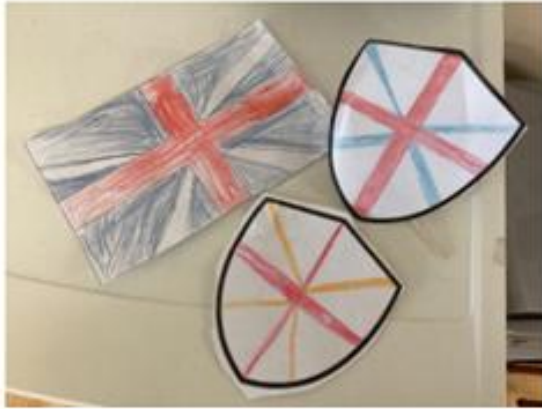
We can also include **1 yoghurt per child** & **1-2 pieces of fruit**  
**Squash** & **water** is also available!



The children are very happy that breakfast is back!



This week at club!



The children did some St Georges Day crafts!

We also did some crafts throughout the week including these origami dogs!



## House points

<b>This week</b>	<b>Caer Caradoc</b> <b>138</b>	<b>Haughmond</b> <b>107</b>	<b>Stiperstones</b> <b>150</b>	<b>Wrekin</b> <b>141</b>
<b>So far this term...</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>387</b>

**Weekly winners Caer Caradoc!**

Well done, Stiperstones!

**Termly leaders Caer Caradoc!**

Well done, Caer Caradoc!

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 6pm	May Holiday Club – bookings open
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 6pm	May Holiday Club – bookings close
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 visit to Enginuity
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Colour Run – Friends Event
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	PD Day – Holiday Club Open
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term – Holiday Club Open Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photographs
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 visit to Think Tank Birmingham – details to follow
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fayre – Friends Event
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	PD Day
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Summer holidays