

# Newsletter Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

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## Information for Parents



Yet another busy week at WFS. Firstly, thank you for all the kind comments regarding Abby's funeral yesterday. The service was beautiful and moving and very Abby. Closing the school enabled those staff who wanted to pay their respects to her two young sons and parents - thank you for supporting us with this.

Molly has been busy, pretending to be a corgi in the Coronation celebrations today and last week walking with Willow class and this morning with Ash class.

Ash class were so lucky to see not one, not two but three large deer in the forest - it was magical. They even managed the 2-mile route and were awesome!



Willow class demonstrated excellent listening skills and some lovely communication - well done Willow class.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> May we will be having 'sparkle' day. Everyone can wear anything they want but if it sparkles even better. We will be thanking all the staff at WFS for their hard work and can you believe it will be two years since I won my teaching award!! Where has the time gone?

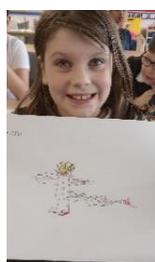
And, speaking of time flying, Molly will be having her 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday on Monday.

Enjoy the Coronation Weekend and Bank Holiday Monday.



## ROWAN Class

Rowan Class are really enjoying the book they are working on this half term, *Where the Wild Things Are*. They have been recalling characters, settings, and the plot, as well as choosing and illustrating their favourite Wild Thing monsters. We have progressed to learning about describing words and will be using these to describe all the weird and wonderful monsters in the story.



Following on from our last two outdoor learning sessions, the pupils used the photographs they had taken and the bags of natural objects they collected, to make group pictures of the signs of spring observed. Everyone worked well together in their pairs and groups to produce wonderful work, which they then presented to the class, explaining what they had drawn and why. Well done Rowan Class. Wonderful work as always

## Luxury Hamper



Everyone was incredibly generous with our Coronation raffle, and we raised £715 in total.

Kathryn picked the winner for us, and the hamper was won by Imogen's family in Sycamore class.

Thank you very much to everyone who bought tickets.

This year the Autism Show is live again at the NEC in Birmingham. This is a highly informative event, where professionals, parents and carers can find out up to date information and research, shop for innovative equipment or resources, as well as have time to seek individual professional advice. It is well worth a visit, especially for the opportunity to hear a number of speakers talk about their personal journeys through childhood, diagnosis and into adult hood.



## ACORNS Reception

This week Acorns have been so busy with coronation themed activities. We have made coronation lunch bags, explored red, blue, and white gloop and interacted with a coronation themed floor in the media room



This week, the children have been very busy getting ready to celebrate the Coronation of the new King. Alana has been the Queen of Acorns class for the week and loves dressing up in the role play outfits. The children have been playing with flags, red, white, and blue Sensory Trays with dyed rice and Union Jacks and have been getting their lunch bags ready for our Reception class Coronation picnic on Friday. What a wonderful week!



## OAK Class

During forest school we had an exciting time pond dipping with Sam Harper. The children explored the pond area talking and pointing at things they could see. While exploring the pond we were able to look closely at newts and tadpoles.



Oak class have been very busy preparing for our coronation party on Friday. We have been making crowns, learning our coronation song and dressing up as kings.



## FIR Class

This week Fir class have loved exploring the playground using the equipment and litter picking.



They also had great fun at swimming.



## LARCH Class

In Larch class we have been working very hard in PE for several weeks. We are learning to play a new game called rounders. We have been practising our fielding skills working to catch the ball in our hands and stop it using our legs and arms if it is rolling along the floor. We practised using a bat to hit a ball off a T post and we have practised running round the bases to score a point in our "Baby beanbag rounders game." We are sure we will be ready for our first match very soon, hopefully in time for some sunny weather!





## WILLOW Class

Willow classes loved getting involved with the pathway 2 royal treasure hunt! We found the new coins, palace, cake and even King Charles himself relaxing on the buddy bench! Great work Willow class!



Willow class had a lovely trip to the Wyre Forest with Mrs G and Molly. We looked at the different creatures around the woods from the Gruffalo story! We crept around the forest and found the mouse, the fox, the snake and even the Gruffalo! Willow class did brilliant walking and then enjoyed a biscuit at the picnic table, great work Willow class!



## 6<sup>th</sup> Form Newsletter

Please follow this link and enjoy our 6<sup>th</sup> Form Newsletter

[5th May 2023 Newsletter \(office.com\)](https://www.office.com)

## PINE Class

We have started our new topic this term called 'Helping Hands'. We have been talking about and looking at the people who help us at home, at school and in the community. We began with a book called 'Where's Mrs Doctor?' and turned our role play area in a hospital and made a collage ambulance. We also went for treasure hunt around school looking for emergency vehicles. 'Where's Mr Fire Engine?' was our next book which encouraged lots of imaginative play and amazing sensory play using spaghetti!



## ASH Class

Ash class have continued working hard this week.

In Literacy they have continued to look at the story book "If I had a Dinosaur", they have been writing captions using colourful semantics.



Maths they have starting measure different items and comparing which are "Longer" and "Shorter".





Cooking- the children have continued to work on independence, and they all helped wash up and tidy up the cookery room once we had finished our lesson.



## Pathway 4



Pathway 4 had a great afternoon last Thursday with their adults to celebrate the Coronation and share what they have been learning in their topic Marvellous Monarchs. We completed a quiz all about King Charles III and various other aspects of the monarchy, but the highlight of the afternoon was decorating a cake each fit for a king, and then obviously eating it!



## Event

**Confirmed activities list:**

- Bouncy Castle\*
- 12ft Ballpit
- Kids Union Jack Tattoos
- Sensory Rice
- Food-safe scented play dough
- Pin the crown on Charles
- Colour in your own crown making
- 3x3m Sensory Den

All activities are included with your ticket.

**10am-1pm**  
**Quiet hour - 10am-11am**  
*Live Stream of the Coronation*  
St Peter's Community Church,  
Birchen Coppice  
Kidderminster.

Everyone welcome!

**£6** per child  
£2 per accompanying adult

Special Steps will be present, selling cakes to raise funds towards a SEN nursery. Access to information on other local SEND charities...

Optional purchases:

- Hot Dogs
- Sweet cones
- Cakes
- Drinks
- Toys
- Tombola

Limited Souvenir Medals available!

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👑 We are getting close now! We are very excited! Join us for our Coronation event on Saturday at St Peter's Community Church - Birchen Coppice, Kidderminster with lots on offer included in your ticket price! 👑

💙 10am-11am- quiet hour available to those who struggle to manage loud and busy environments- we welcome you to stay for as long as you are comfortable after the quiet hour has finished. We have strategies and equipment in place for individuals who become overwhelmed such as a 3x3 black out sensory den with specialist equipment to provide a calming environment along with sensory play activities to stimulate sensory seekers.

❤️ 11am-1pm- Everyone welcome!

Enjoy various activities listed in the poster below! Including 🏰 A bouncy castle suitable for adults as well as children hired to us by Quads N Castles. If you fancy any optional extras head to our stalls for these. We have available:

🍰 Coronation cupcakes- Provided by Winnitt's Classic Cakes and will be sold by Special Steps to raise money for their SEN nursery, opening in September.

👤 A range of bespoke children's clothing including adaptive clothing made by My Brave Pearl

🧸 We will have our toy stall, limited sweet cones 🍦 and hot dogs/drinks available at affordable prices 🍌

🏆 A tombola with a prize every time for £1 a go!

👑 £6 per child/ £2 per accompanying adult.

Book now through [www.trybooking.co.uk/CHDO](http://www.trybooking.co.uk/CHDO) or [www.sen-station.co.uk/upcoming-events](http://www.sen-station.co.uk/upcoming-events)

We would love some support at school with our SEND jobs event. This event is aimed at school years 7-9 and we are looking for support for 1 afternoon in mid to late June. Do you have a job that you think our children would be really interested in? If you would like more information, please drop me (Lou Calder - Pathway 4 Leader) an email via the school office and I will be happy to get back to you.

## Russell House News

This week we worked on road safety at the sycamore centre, Finn enjoyed being the lollypop man. We visited the park and enjoyed a walk. Wednesday, we had a takeaway night and spent time in the garden.



MAY 2023	
8	School Closed – Coronation Bank Holiday
10	Sixth Form Coffee Event – 1.30pm
19	EYFS Years Stay and Play – 1.30pm
29 May – 1 June	<b>HALF TERM</b>

Please note: all the above dates / times are subject to change.

**Please can we remind all Parents & Carers to keep the school office updated with any change of details, i.e, telephone numbers, addresses, list of contacts. Thank you**

