

# SMUPS News

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## Hello from the Head!

Welcome back. We hope that you managed to enjoy a lovely Easter break and got some time to enjoy the lovely weather. It has been an extremely positive start to the term and the children have come back with an excellent attitude to their learning. This morning in our celebration collective worship, I gave the whole school a certificate for Relationships for their super friendships at playtimes and lunchtimes. It has been lovely to see the children playing so well together in lots of different groups. Well done everyone.

It is a very short half term, but a very busy one with lots of different things taking place. There are key stage 2 and key stage 1 SATs tests, we have **reception, year one and year six swimming**, the **choir goes to Birmingham** for Young Voices and **year 6** begin their transition to SMCC.

This week we have seen some super learning in school. **Reception** have started their theme of "Ugly Bug Ball" and are investigating the natural world. They visited the Honey Farm on Tuesday and learnt lots about bees. In **year one**, the children have been designing some different experiments to find out what seeds need to grow.

We hope that you have a lovely bank holiday weekend and look forward to seeing you on **Tuesday 3rd May**.

## Collective Worship

Our theme for this half term is **Compassion**. We have started by exploring the story of the Good Samaritan. On **Wednesday** we also looked at how to look after our mental health.

## Things to Remember

- The **disabled bays** in the school car park are reserved for those who hold a **blue badge AND are also on their own to pick up their child/ren**
- **Reception and Year One will start weekly swimming sessions** on Tuesday 10th May and **Year Six** will start on Friday 13th May.
- **Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are continuing with basketball coaching on Thursday mornings** for this half term. Children in those classes should come to school with their P.E. kit on for Thursdays this half term.
- On **Fridays at lunchtime** we are having sports activities. **Today we had basketball and next week we are planning to have football again.**
- The **School Site has a NO DOGS on site policy**. Please do not bring any dogs (with the exception of guide dogs) on to the school site. Thank You.

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## Certificates of the week!

**Acorns:** Tristan and Elysia

**Oak:** Madeleine and Lilly

**Ash:** Lauren

**Pine:** Airon

**Beech:** Sophie

**Apple:** Abbie

**Willow:** Freya

**Elm:** Whole class

**Holly:** Asher and Cameron

**Whole School - Relationships Certificate** for great friendships skills at playtimes and lunchtimes

**Well done to all our certificate winners this week.**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Week beginning Monday 9th May—Key Stage 2 SATs Week**

**Tuesday 10th May—Year One and Reception start swimming**

**Friday 13th May—Year Six start swimming**

**Thursday 19th May—Young Voices in Birmingham**

**Friday 27th May—break up for Half Term**

**Wednesday 8th June—Children back in school after half term. Year 6 transition visit to SMCC**

**Monday 4th –Friday 8th July—Year 6 Residential Trip**

**Friday 22nd July—Last Day of Summer Term**

**Tuesday 6th September 2022—Start of new school year.**



# Wordy Week

## In the News...

A family in America got an un-BEAR-lievable surprise when they found not one - but FIVE - bears in their home!



## What would you do and why?

### Did you know...

There are 8 different species of bear in the world!

In my opinion...  
I would.... because...  
I agree/disagree because...

### Updated Covid-19 Guidance

#### New guidance for Covid 19 which takes effect from today, 1st April 2022.

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days