



In this week's assemblies, **Rev April** spoke to the children about Pentecost. Using a hairdryer and balloon, she demonstrated how the energy from the wind filled and lifted the balloon into the air to keep it going. We thought about the courage that the Holy Spirit filled the disciples to go out into the world and reflected on how we too can be brave even when things are difficult.

Rearranged trips

We are really pleased to say that we have been able to reschedule the two trips which were cancelled last week due to the poor weather.

Year 1 trip to London Zoo— Monday 3 July
Reception trip to the farm— Tuesday 18 July

Weather

The hot weather has finally arrived! Please send children in with hats, water bottles (labelled if they are to be returned) and wearing suncream applied in the morning. Children should continue to wear shoes or trainers and not sandals. It is also a time when unnamed jumpers tend to go missing, so please also check these are labelled too.



Talking about tragic events with children

Sadly there have been a number of tragic events recently in London. Some children have expressed their worries to us following these and staff have shared some useful resources and ideas of how to talk to the children about these events. The charity Winston's Wish has an excellent blog to support adults with these difficult conversations which we thought may be of interest to parents and families.

<https://www.winstonswish.org.uk/london-terror-attack-talking-tragic-events/>



Mathlete of the week

Dapo—Year 5
7085 points

Dates for next week

Mon 19 June—Non uniform day in exchange for donation to Summer Fair
Mon 19 June—Kate Greenaway trip
Wed 21 June—Year 3 Trip to Museum of London
Wed 21 June—No choir (Mr Allinson away)
Thurs 22 June—Year 5 Junior Citizen trip
Thurs 22 June—no Lighthouse club due to Summer Fair

Year 5 assembly

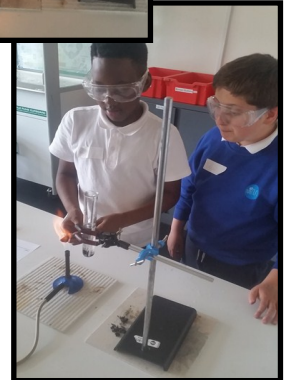
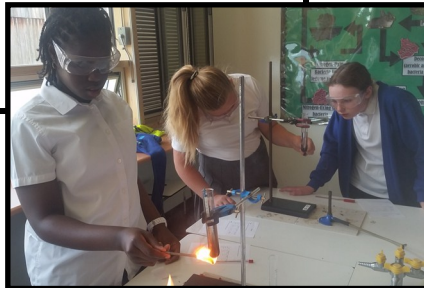
Huge thanks to Year 5 for sharing their adventures and experiences at Sayer's Croft last Friday in their class assembly. We all thoroughly enjoyed the slide show!

Next Thursday 22 June is the **PTSA Summer Fair**, organised with the kind support of Square Quarters Estate Agents. Join us after school for an afternoon full of games, barbeque, face painting, raffle, bottle tombola... Do not forget that next Monday 19th June is **non uniform day**: bring a donation to the summer fair: books, games, bottles, raffle prize!



Year 6 Science Lesson

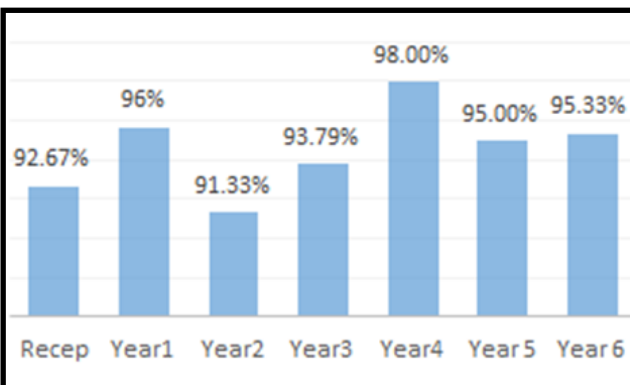
A big thanks to Mr McCurdy from our Secondary Science Department, who invited Year 6 over for a science lesson. The children discussed their understanding of healthy food and the energy different food types give us. They then had the opportunity to investigate the energy content of a variety of foods by burning them under a test tube of water and recording the changes in temperature. "It was really enjoyable—I thought it would be boring, but it was great fun and we learned a lot about different foods and how energy works." (Eve, Y6)



A belated congratulations to **Coach Zac** and his family on the arrival of his daughter Aria who was born in April. We are all delighted for him!

Sadly, we have had reports of people on mopeds in the local area attempting to take valuables off people walking down the street. We remind older children who go home with mobile phones to be wary of this, but wanted to let members of the community know too.

Last week's attendance figures



Phonics

This week, children in Year 1 and some in Year 2 have been completing the phonics screening check. The children were all very relaxed and worked with their class teacher to do these. As required by the Department for Education, we will be writing to parents of children who took part with the results of these in the next couple of weeks.

On Monday 12 June Year 4, 5 and 6 participated in 'Show Racism the Red Card' workshops. We first watched a video in the hall that introduced the sensitive topic of racism. It had famous footballers speaking of their own personal experiences of racism. For the rest of the day we took part in workshops led by ex-famous footballers. One of the activities was physical and required a lot of team work and for the other 2 sessions classes discussed racism and the what it means, correct terms to use and how we can go about preventing it. Year 5 pupils said:

Show Racism the Red Card

'To talk about someone's skin colour is not racist as long as we're using the correct words.'

'I now feel more comfortable talking about sensitive issues.'

'Now I know why we use the term white and black to describe people.'

'Mixed race is not a colour, we need to know about people's background before labelling people.'

'My favourite activity was the physical workshop because I had fun and we worked well together.'