

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 17th July 2019

Attendance

Finally, a class has knocked Year 3 and Year 6 off the top spot, well done for last week to Class 5 with 99% attendance, they will receive their class voucher of £5.00. Y5 - 99%
Y6 - 96.9%, Y3 - 95.9%, Y1 - 95.2%, Y2 - 95%, Y4 - 93.1%, R - 89.3%, N - AM - 86.5%, N - PM - 76.5%.

Parents Evening Appointments for Meet the Teacher & School Reports 10.07.19

Thank you to all those of you who attended the last of this years parent meetings. If you were unable to make the appointment, please contact your child's teacher to rearrange a time which is convenient for you. Thank you to those of you who have returned the comment sheet for the reports. We do listen to parent's comments so if they could all be returned to us we would be grateful.

School Games

Wonderful news – we have again been accredited the Gold School Games mark for our commitment to sport. As you know there have been many developments this year such as new playground equipment, the step tracker challenge and the daily mile path is proving to be a huge success. Well done to all the staff and children who participate and long may it continue.

UNICEF

Huge thank you to Mrs Carr for leading us through the next accreditation of our Rights Respecting School Award. The assessor visited last week and was very impressed with the parents he spoke to and the children. Although the result will not be officially received until September the feedback was very positive.

Spanish Spelling Bee at Litherland High

Congratulations to our Year 5 team who came first, second, third and fifth in the local schools competition! Fantastic result!

Summer Reading Challenge

Libraries are great places for children to discover reading for pleasure and there is no better time to do this than during the long summer holidays.

The **Summer Reading Challenge** is designed for children between the ages of 4 and 11. It is completely free and last year 699,076 children took part in libraries across the UK.

Every year the Challenge has a new theme. The Summer Reading Challenge 2019 theme is **Space Chase**, an out-of-this-world adventure inspired by the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing.

Children taking part in the Challenge will join our super space family, The Rockets, for a thrilling mission to track down books nabbed by mischievous aliens!

Space Chase will feature bespoke artwork from top children's illustrator, **Adam Stower**, and will celebrate adventure, exploration, reading and fun!

It is now open for children to sign up for the challenge at their local library. 10 credits can be earned also for CU.

Last year, as a school we won the trophy-let's bring it back again this year!

End of term service

Our final service will be next Tuesday at 9.45AM, all are welcome and we will draw the raffle prize winners following the service.

End of term 2.00PM finish 23rd July.

New School Dinner Menu for September

If you are a parent of a Year 2 child, please remember that from next year your child will be charged for school dinners, unless you have applied for free school meals. The new menu is displayed on the website for September. If you are unsure please contact the school office.

Summer Diaries

As we do each year, will be collecting in children's completed summer holiday diaries in September. All diaries entries will be awarded a certificate and a prize for those who have made the most effort. We ask the children to complete a daily account of what they have done in a diary format, include pictures or photos or tickets of anywhere they have visited. They must be the child's work – sorry parents you won't be getting a prize or a certificate if it is yours! I look forward to reading them and seeing what they have done over the holidays.

Swimming for September

As you may be aware, we have unfortunately not been able to go swimming at Merchant Taylors' pool due to the pool closing. We have been able to secure a slot again from September at Kirkby swimming pool, however, this does mean that swimming each Wednesday will return to school later than normal between 3.30pm and 3.45pm.

From 11th September until February half term, Year 4 will swim each Wednesday afternoon at Kirkby Swimming Pool.

From 26th February 2020 Year 5 will swim each Wednesday afternoon until the end of summer term at Kirkby Swimming Pool.

Year 6 will have a two week block daily swimming session from 3rd February 2020. The sessions will be each morning from 10.30 - 11.30AM at Kirkby Swimming Pool.

Year 3 will swim each Friday afternoon at Meadows for the full year.

All children must wear the following for swimming:

Boys – Trunks not **shorts**. Pupils who bring shorts will be loaned school trunks or will not be permitted to take part in the swimming lesson.

Girls – Full swimsuits. Pupils who bring bikinis will be loaned a school swimsuit or will not be permitted to swim.

All pupils **must** wear a swimming hat for reasons of health and safety.

All pupils **must** bring a coat to school on swimming lesson days, pupils may not be permitted to swim if they arrive without a coat.

Sponsored Events

Sponsor forms were sent home for events that have taken place, we would be grateful if you could send your sponsor form and any outstanding money that has been collected into school by Friday 19th July.

Dates and Events for the Rest of the Year

July 2019

18th July - 100% attendance trip for year 5 & 6 – rest to follow in September.

19th July - Golden Apple Treat & Y6 Leaver's BBQ

22nd July - Y6 Dress Rehearsal & Y6 Leaver's Service

23rd July - End of term service 9.45AM. **End of term 2.00PM finish**

Yours sincerely,



Miss E. Murtagh
Headteacher