



Newsletter



Message from the Head of School

It has been a packed week again at Scotch Orchard. We said "Bon Voyage" to Mr Chapman, Mr Minto and the Y6 children accompanying them to Paris. They are on their way home as I type, having visited Vimy Memorial (World War 1), near Calais. I have been in constant contact with Mr Chapman, who has told me that the children have behaved impeccably – and are looking forward to seeing their families very soon.

Please keep an eye on Dojo for ETA updates from My Chapman.

Meanwhile, the Year 6 children in Lichfield have been excellent role models for the younger children in school. They have enjoyed time in Forest School, and have spent the week learning all about the 'Fun of the Fair'. See further in the newsletter for some examples of their amazing artwork, based on LS Lowry's Circus paintings.

This week also saw the first official work performed by two of our Year 6 Prefects – Florence Godber and Gracie Kennett. They were invaluable at Parent's Evening on Tuesday after school, welcoming parents to the building and showing them where to wait, inviting parents to have a tea or coffee (if they wished) and directing them into the hall when it was time for their appointment. The girls also did an outstanding job of keeping the meetings running on time. I received many positive compliments about Florence and Gracie from parents as they left – they were AMAZING!!!

We have also been delighted to welcome Miss Sturch back to school this week after she was off ill for the last couple of weeks. We missed her so much and I know that she was so excited to see all of our wonderful children again!

As always, I am available by email (rwarrack@scotchorchard.staffs.sch.uk), in person on the school gate or by telephone – via the office (01543 227400) for anyone who wishes to speak with me. Have a great weekend!

Dr Warrack

Next Week:

Monday 27th March –

Reverend Abbie visiting the children for an Easter assembly

Monday 27th March –

Year 6 virtual Parents Evening (1)

Tuesday 28th March –

Virtual Parents Evening

Thursday 30th March –

Easter Bonnet Parade – Parents invited to join us – 09:00 EYFS/KS1

Thursday 30th March –

Easter Egg Fun and Scavenger Hunt KS2

Thursday 30th March –

Book fair for all year groups

- 2:30pm – parents invited into school to share a book with their child
- 3:30pm - Hall open for parents to purchase books

Accessing Lichfield Foodbank

Everyone who comes to the foodbank for emergency food needs to have a valid foodbank voucher. For more information please contact us on 07833 844873 or on clientvoucher@lichfield.foodbank.org.uk.

Life Church, Netherstowe - 01543 254596

Wade Street Church - 01543 253003
Curborough Community Centre - 01543 417149





This Weeks Attendance

Reception	95%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	89%
Year 3	95%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	89%
Year 6	92%

This Weeks
attendance
superstars are:

Year 4

Attendance Update

Regular, punctual attendance at school is important for your child.

Children should arrive at school in time for a 9:00am start.

Going to school regularly is important for your child's future. Parents are responsible for making sure their children receive full-time education and are legally responsible for making sure that children go to school. If your child doesn't go to school, you could get fined or prosecuted.

Please inform the school office by 9:30am if your child is absent by voicemail: on **01543 227 400** and **press option 1** to leave a message or email us at: office@scotchorchard.staffs.sch.uk.

If we do not receive notification of your child's absence, office staff will contact you to ascertain the reason for your child's absence. The office staff will persist until they have spoken to someone to confirm the reason for a child's absence.



FACT: The more time your child spends in school, the better your child's attainment.



Dates for your diary: Spring and Summer 2023

27/03/23	Rev. Abbie visiting children for Easter Assembly	
28/03/23	Parents Evening Virtual - 16:30 -19:00	
30/03/23	Easter Bonnet Parade – Parents invited – 09:00	EYFS and KS1
30/03/23	Easter Egg Fun and Scavenger Hunt	KS2
30/03/23	Book Fair: Parents welcome from 14:30, nursery parents from 11:15	All years
31/03/23	Training day – School closed to all children	
03/04/23 – 14/04/23	EASTER HOLIDAY	
21/04/23	St George's Day picnic	
24/04/23	SATS breakfast with parents	Year 6
27/04/23	Lichfield Walk	Year 2
28/04/23	Breakfast with parents and Egyptian Topic Class Assembly – 9am	Year 3
01/05/23	BANK HOLIDAY – school closed	
08/05/23	BANK HOLIDAY – school closed	
09/05/23 - 12/05/23	KS2 SATs Week	Year 6
26/05/23	Whole School Summer Musical Concert 14:00 – 15:15	
29/05/23	BANK HOLIDAY – school closed	
30/05/23 – 02/06/23	SUMMER HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
05/06/23 – 16/05/23	Y4 Multiplication Check window	Year 4
08/06/23	EYFS Trip - TBC	EYFS
16/06/23	Father's Day Class Assembly – Parents Invited - 09:00	
22/06/23	Breakfast with parents and Topic Class Assembly – 9am	Year 5
23/06/23	Weston School trip	Year 1
30/06/23	Tamworth Castle School trip	Year 4
03/07/23	EYFS Sports Day 9:15 – 11:30	EYFS
06/07.23	Year 4 Nether Stowe (Sports Day) – Details to follow	
06/07/23	Music Service Concert 14:30	Year 3 and Year 5
12/07/23	KS1/KS2 Sports Day 9:00 – 12:00 Picnic on the field – 12:00 – 12:45 PTA Summer Fair – 12:45 – 15:30	KS1 and KS2 KS1 and KS2 Whole School
13/07/23	Big Sleepover	Year 3
17/07/23	Leavers Performance 18:00	Year 6
18/07/23	Leavers Party - venue TBC 18:00	Year 6
21/07/23	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony – Y6 Parents Invited – 09:00	Year 6
24/07/23	Training day – school closed	
25/07/23	SUMMER HOLIDAY	



Year 6's adventures this week in Lichfield and France



The Year 6 children in school have been exploring the Circus, with 'The Greatest Showman' as their theme. They explored PT Barnum (renowned as the 'Greatest Showman' of his era, - a Ringmaster who employed sensationalist forms of presentation and publicity to popularise the three-ring circus), the artwork of LS Lowry, the dance moves of the film, 'The Greatest Showman', and ended the week in cinematic style – watching 'The Greatest Showman'!

Here are some examples of the amazing artwork they produced!



Our Year 6 children at the National Vimy Memorial.



A wonderful morning at Chateau de Fontainebleau.



Come to our Book Fair on Thursday 30th March!



Children can bring their favourite story, a pillow and soft toy to school on Thursday 30th March. They will have the opportunity to visit the book fair with their class, where they can create a wish list of books that they have seen and liked.



Parents/Carers

Research tells us that sharing stories not only benefits a child's development, but also sparks curiosity and builds special connections. Therefore, we are inviting parents/carers into school on Thursday 30th March from 2.30pm to celebrate a love of reading. Please arrive at the main entrance and join your child in their classroom. If you have more than one child, please spend some time in your youngest child's classroom first, before moving with your child to their sibling's class. At the end of the school day, you can browse and enjoy the many books at the book fair with your child/children.

Please note that parents/carers of Nursery children who are dismissed at 12pm will be invited to join their child from 11.15am.

The book fair is being organised in conjunction with our local Usborne Partner, Sarah Singleton from **Brilliant Books for Children** and every book purchased will go towards brand new **FREE** books for our school. Books can be purchased on the day of the book fair and paid for by cash or card.