

Message from the Head of School

It has been incredibly busy here at Scotch Orchard, in a week which follows the historic crowning of our King, Charles III, this weekend.

As a whole school we came together in assembly last Friday to celebrate this momentous occasion, and sang the National Anthem in our crowns.



Please see our Twitter feed (@Scotch_Orchard) for a video of the children singing in assembly.

Parents, children and staff were delighted to sample the fabulous variety of cakes baked by children from all across school as part of our coronation celebration, as their entries into our Coronation 'Bake Off'. Winners were chosen from EYFS, KS1, LKS2 and UKS2, and they will receive their prizes on Monday in assembly. Certificates will be awarded to everyone who took part.



We returned to school on Tuesday after the long Bank Holiday weekend, which many of us spent celebrating King Charles'

coronation. The week has involved our fantastic Year 6 children taking part in the Year 6 Standard Assessment Tests (SATs). The main purpose of statutory assessments is to find out what pupils have achieved in relation to the attainment targets outlined in the National Curriculum (2014). This then allows a comparison to be made of how an individual child has progressed through their primary curriculum when compared with other children nationally.

However, tests and their scores are only a tiny part of who a child is – and I can personally attest that the Scotch Orchard Year 6 children are amazing advocates for our school – courageous, determined, persistent, resilient and totally fantastic! You did your very best and we are so proud of you all!

Next Week

Wednesday 17th May

Boys football match at St Michaels School

Thursday 18th May

School census day

American Ranch Themed day

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



Contact information

As always, I am available by email

(<u>rwarrack@scotchorchard.staffs.</u> <u>sch.uk</u>), on the school gate or by telephone (01543 227400) for anyone who wishes to speak with me.

Have a great weekend!

Dr R Warrack

Dr Warrack





This Weeks Attendance

Reception	99.52 %
Year 1	92.50 %
Year 2	98.56 %
Year 3	93.75 %
Year 4	94.20 %
Year 5	96.76 %
Year 6	99.61 %



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

This Weeks attendance superstars are:

Year 6

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: <u>office@scotchorchard.staffs.sch.uk</u>.

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.





Dates for your diary: Spring and Summer 2023

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02/05/23 to 31/05/23	Year 2 SATs administration window	Year 2
18/05/23	School census day - American Ranch Themed day	Whole School
25/05/23	Year 6 SATs Celebration Trip – Drayton Manor	Year 6
26/05/23	Whole School Summer Musical Concert 14:00 – 15:15	Whole School
29/05/23	BANK HOLIDAY – school closed	
30/05/23 – 02/06/23	SUMMER HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
06/06/23 to	Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check Window	Year 4
16/06/23		
08/06/23	TBC: EYFS Trip	Reception and Nursery
12/06/23 – 16/06/23	Phonics Screening Check administration window	Year 1 (selected Y2
		children)
16/06/23	Breakfast with parents and Anglo-Saxon/Viking Topic Assembly 09:00	Year 4
22/06/23	Breakfast with parents and Topic Class Assembly – 8:15 for Breakfast; 9am for	Year 5
23/06/23	assembly Weston School trip	Year 1
25/00/25		
26/06/23	Engage Youth Mentoring – Y6 to Y7 Transition Workshop	Year 6
27/06/23 to	King Edward VI Y7 Transition Days	Year 6
28/06/23		
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 at Netherstowe (Sports Day) – attendees to be confirmed	Year 4
06/07/23	Music Service Concert 14:30	Year 3 and Year 5
11/07/23	Parent opportunity to discuss reports (Timings TBC)	Whole School
12/07/23	KS1 and KS2 Sports Day 9:00 – 12:00; Picnic on the Field; 13:00 Summer Fayre	KS1 and KS2
13/07/23 to	Big Sleepover on the field	Year 3
14/03/23		Teal 5
14/07/23	Leavers Performance 14:00	Year 6
17/07/23	Leavers Performance 18:00	Year 6
18/07/23	Leavers Party - venue TBC 18:00	Year 6
19/07/23	Y6 Leavers Lunch – 13:00	Year 6
21/07/23	Year 6 Graduation – 09:00 – 10:00	Year 6
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24/07/23	Training day – school closed	Whole School
25/07/23	SUMMER HOLIDAY	Whole School
04/06/23	INSET Training Day	Whole School
05/06/23	INSET Training Day	Whole School
06/09/23	School reopens to all pupils	Whole School
30/10/23	AUTUMN HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
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Thursday 18th May

AMERICAN RANCH OT

Please note a change in our menu for Thursday. If you have ordered a main meal you will receive a burger and wedges. For the vegetarian option we have a veggie burger and wedges!







Thursday 18th May

To tie in with the American ranch theme, we will be having a non-school uniform day on Thursday 18th.





To our wonderful Year 6's, well done!

The children have done themselves proud, completing challenging assessments in GPS (grammar, punctuation and spelling), Reading and Maths. The resilience, togetherness and ambition shown by our special Year 6 children moved all of the adults who have worked with them throughout the week. Enjoy a relaxing weekend with your families, you definitely deserve it. We are so proud of all of you and you should all have left school today with your heads held high.

Well done to you all! You are all amazing.



We would like to send a huge thank you to Mr Anketell for making a very generous donation of £150 to our school.

Some of you may remember Mr Anketell as he used to come into school each week to read with our children, and was a valued member of our community for many years.

We are going to put the money towards purchasing a brand new house cup for our Sports Days and house events. **Thank you!**





PTA NEWS

PTA NEWSLETTER

FRIENDS OF SCOTCH ORCHARD KEEPING YOU UP TO DATE.

FRIDAY 12TH MAY



The money a PTA raises is usually used to fund resources or experiences that enrich pupils' education.

It's important for a PTA to take ownership of its funds and work with the school to decide what to buy, rather than handing over a cheque to be incorporated into general school funds. Your committee should ensure the money is spent appropriately and in line with what your members and donors would expect.





Treasurer~ Nicky Scott (Yrl)





WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY

AFTER SPORTS DAY

PTA NEWSLETTER

Friend of scotch orchard keeping you up to date.



Please Start saving your empty jars for the Jolly Jars Stall. This is clean empty jars, filled with treats, lid on and decorated fancy if you wish. These are then used for a game stall.



AT SCOTCH ORCHARD SCHOOL

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IF YOU HAVE A GAZEBO YOU COULD LEND, PLEASE LET US KNOW

Why not help in something the PTA are doing this summer, however big or small we appreciate helpers. And it's Great Fun !



Please save any Pre-Loved books for our Summer fayre book sale stand.



Having a sort out? Uniform that doesn't fit anymore but too good to bin? Please donate to school.



Could anyone lend us a clothes rail? These would be super helpful for our Pre-Loved Uniform Sale in June. Please get in touch, if you have one we can borrow. Thankyou.



Clean, washed and delabelled uniform. Dropped off to school office. Large, green collection basket in doorway. Thankyou

Any questions or queries Please get in touch emailscotchorchardpta@gmail.com Or Message Lucy Worrall- 07581510459