

Dear Parent/Carers,

Thought of the week: "Virtually nothing is impossible in this world if you just put your mind to it and maintain a positive attitude." (Lou Holtz)

"We are very proud of the following children's achievements:

Headteacher's Award: Sirach. A-2G

Gold Awards: Anaya. J, Alif. R, Alisha. U & Sara. H-2Y, Aairah. Y & Amira. L-4Y, Romana. P-4R

Achievement Awards for Maths/Writing:

Zakariyah. P-1Y, Irha. T-2B, Rafay. A-2Y, Yuvraj-2R, Haider. A-4Y, Inayah. M-4R, Ibrahim. M. Ibrahim-4B, Ibrahim. R-5R, Hiya. A-5G, Jaskiran. K-5Y, Vaishali. K-6B, Skye. C-6Y (All for Maths) Aiesha-1G, Musa.2R, Saima. P-4B, Fabian. F-4Y, Lana. H-5Y, Jezebel. S-6Y

Well done everyone!

P4C Question: In order to develop children's critical thinking skills and to reflect on their own views and those of others, this week's P4C question is:

Should you forgive others?

Please discuss this as a family, encouraging the children to think about this from different view points.

Rights Respecting:

RIGHTS RESPECTING



We continue our work on developing children's understanding of the following articles:

Article 2

Everyone under the age of 18 has all the rights in the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Article 19

Protection from Violence – The right to be safe.

The government is responsible for protecting children from violence, abuse, neglect, poor treatment and exploitation.

Improving Attendance across the school:

Well done to Year 6R,6B & 6Y for achieving 98.9%. The overall percentage for the whole school was **90.7%**, which is well below expectation. The key reasons for this poor attendance are holidays and travel abroad during term-time and the poor attendance of the Reception classes. Our target for this year is **96%.** **Please let's all continue to work together every week and try harder to reach our target!** The lowest attenders are currently **Reception Red** with **77.4%.** This is a real cause for concern.

Parents, please make every effort for your children to attend regularly. Especially those of you with children in Reception.

Remember– Good attendance=good self esteem= good progress

Late Arrivals In The Morning: Please ensure your child gets into school on time by 8.50am. The doors leading to the classrooms through the main playground close at 9.00am, as registers close at 9.05am. Any children who arrive later than 9am will need to make their way to the school office and be signed in to receive their attendance mark. It is vital that your child arrives on time, so that the school is able to carry out our safeguarding procedures promptly in the mornings. Please ensure, you also do not drop your child at school too early as there is no supervision.

The school office must be made aware of all absences by 8.45am. This is vital so that the school is able to carry out safeguarding checks

Holiday Requests: We are having an increased number of requests for pupils to take holidays out of school times to visit families overseas or attend functions following the lockdown period. Whilst I am sympathetic to being away from family and friends for the pandemic period, please remember that the school cannot authorise these holidays as we have 13 weeks of holiday time to plan these in. **ESPECIALLY** after the lockdown period, it is vital that we now ensure as much consistency in learning for all pupils-best facilitated by being in school every day. Every minute of learning is precious!

SATs Week

If your child is in Year 6, please ensure that he/she arrives in school on time each day, as the tests will begin promptly.

KS1 SATs will take place over the next 2 weeks. However these tests will be in groups without a time limit and judgements will be supported by teacher assessment.

Coffee Mornings for Ukrainian Families: This is a free service for Ukrainian families which will be held every **Thursday** from **10am-11am** at Wanstead Children's centre, 33 Wanstead Place. For more information please see the attachment.

Use of the School Field by Year 5 (Tues & Thurs) & Year 6 (Mon, Wed & Fri) at Lunchtimes

Parents, please note, children in Years 5 and 6 are currently using the field. The children who bring a packed lunch will be allowed to go over to the field for the duration of lunchtime with supervision, so that we can make the most of the weather. Any child on free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch.

Support from local food banks and Charities

We would like to share some lovely news regarding the generous actions of some of our parents, who organised to buy some treats/gifts and much needed basic products for some of our most vulnerable families. The school, along with the parents were able to make links with a local charity-Serving Humanity, and together presented these to the families. I would like to say a huge thank you to all of those that helped us organise this and for their generosity. Any families in need of support, please visit: <https://www.redbridgecan.com/local-organisation>

Queen's Jubilee Celebration- Friday 27th May 2022-Non-Uniform Day

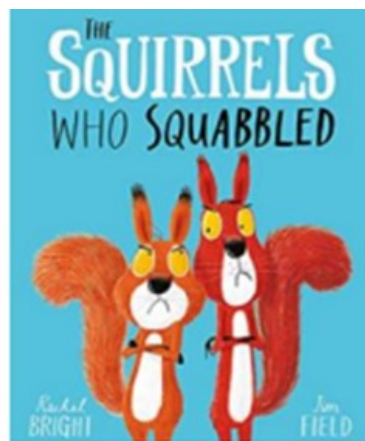
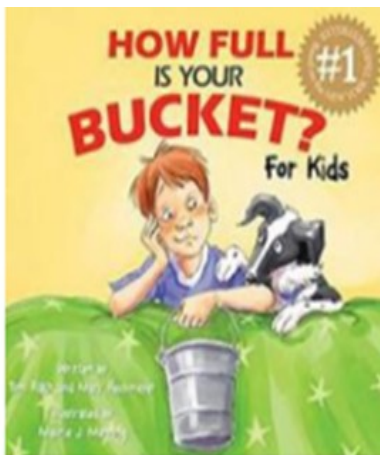
We will be celebrating the **Queen's Jubilee on Friday 27th of May**. The children are invited to dress as 'Kings and Queens' for the day. Please do not go out and buy an outfit especially for this event, be creative with what you've got! The children will be making crowns in school.

There will be a party for all the children. Please bring in a small snack clearly labelled with your child's name. A £1 donation will also be greatly appreciated

We would also like to invite you to the jubilee parade. More information to follow.

Positive behaviours and attitudes:

Here are another two fantastic texts that will act as starting points for talking to your child about their feelings and behaviour. Your child will have heard many of these in school, but it's always great to listen to a good story more than once! Each week we will add two more text for you to explore with your child.



KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Key Dates for 2022

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022- Friday 22nd July 2022

Monday 9th May-Thursday 12th May 2022- Year 6 SATs

Monday 16th May 2022-Year 6 Y/6B-Junior Citizenship Day

Tuesday 17th May 2022-Year 6G/6R-Junior Citizenship Day

Thursday

Friday 27th May 2022- Queen's Jubilee Celebrations-Non- uniform day

Half term break- Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022

Monday 4th July-Wednesday 6th July 2022-Year 6 Stubbers Residential trip (50 children only)

Tuesday 5th July 2022-Year 6-Stubbers Day Trip (60 children only)

Inset Days

Monday 11th July 2022-Additional Bank Holiday

Fostering Communities- Foster for Redbridge-

Redbridge Fostering Community and caring for the Borough's most vulnerable children as part of the Foster Care Fortnight #Fostering Communities campaign. Take a look at what our foster carers say <https://youtu.be/4rnBZ3YpqbI>
If you have a place in your heart and home to foster, please call us on 020 8708 6068 or email fostering@redbridge.gov.uk or join us on our next virtual information session on 27th May 2022,

10am to 11am. Visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/foster-for-redbridge-coffee-morning-270522-10-11am-tickets-240063615737> to book a place.

Food Allergies:

Please note, no food, cakes, sweets etc should be sent to school for any occasion due to food allergies.

Themed Lunch " Green Fingers- CENSUS Day"- Thursday 19th May 2022

There will be a themed lunch held on **Thursday 19th May** for children to enjoy. Payment will be taken as normal for the lunch. Please do not send in money for those that are free school meals.

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