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Friday 17th June 2022

Summer 2, week 3

A message from Mrs Hoare...

This week we have had lots to enjoy at DHJA:

A group of Year 6 and another group of Year 3 pupils attended sporting festivals. We are proud of how they represented our school throughout the events, showing co-operation and independence.

We also had Nick the Chef in school: he worked with pupils and parents to create a delicious Spaghetti Bolognese. Unfortunately, I did not get to sample however it smelt delicious!

A group of pupils, from across school, represented school in the Sunderland Dance Festival at the Sunderland Empire. Again, pupils represented the school well and we are so proud of their resilience and confidence! We hope the parents who attended enjoyed too.

We hope all pupils and families have a wonderful weekend and are ready on Monday for another action-packed week at DHJ!

Dates for your diary:

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| Friday 24th June | Year 4 Multiplication Tables check ends |
| Monday 27th June 2022 | Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check results are available |
| Thursday 23rd June 2022 | Professional Careers day |
| Thursday 24th July 2022 | End of term |
| Friday 24th July 2022 | School closed (Queen's Jubilee additional Bank Holiday). |



Important Messages:

It has been brought to our attention that, nationally, some scary videos are "trending" and have traumatised some children. The risks of children accidentally seeing these videos can be reduced by ensuring devices have appropriate parental controls set up. The <https://www.internetmatters.org/> website provides excellent advice on how to do this.

Secondly, it is important that your child can talk to a trusted adult if something scary has happened so that they are reassured. The video from CEOP <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/jessie-and-friends-videos/> works well with younger children. If you have concerns then please speak to our pastoral team.

Over the forthcoming weeks, we are due to have some glorious sunshine, therefore we advise that you apply sun cream on your child before school and if you wish they could bring it into school with their name on and in sealed clear bag. Staying hydrated is also essential so please make sure those water bottles are coming into school daily.





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SEE WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO

THIS WEEK...

It's all about
Year 4!

This week, Year 4 had a fantastic opportunity to experience the great outdoors at Harehope Quarry in Bishop Auckland. Our budding scientists popped on their wellies and waded through the local streams, learning about how the depth, width and flow rate changes depending on which course of the river you are at. Katiejane said, "I loved testing the speed of the water with the doggy biscuits. It was so much fun!"

Scanning the beautiful meadows, the children were also able to identify a wide variety of amazing wildflowers. Dainton said, "It was great to explore the area. We even spotted an old building. It looked like a castle!"

We would like to thank the Sir Tom Cowie Trust for providing this educational experience which made great links to Year 4's topic: Misty Mountain, Winding River.





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School Attendance

It is imperative that pupils attend school regularly and that they are on time. We aim for **97% attendance and no late sessions**. The class with the highest attendance is awarded 10 minutes extra playtime! Here's how attendance looks across school this week – keep an eye out for our attendance winners in yellow!

Lower Key Stage 2

| Class: | 3AH | 3AC | 3HL | 4CE | 4SI | 4KW |
|-------------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Attendance: | 90.3% | 100% | 90.63 | 89.3% | 94.2% | 92.3% |
| Lates: | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

Upper Key Stage 2

| Class: | 5AR | 5BH | 5KM | 6NKAH | 6CC | 6DG |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Attendance: | 89.5% | 82.3% | 90.5% | 83.4% | 90.5% | 92.9% |
| Lates: | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

Attendance Reminders:

Parents/Carers must contact the school office if a pupil is going to be absent from school. This should be done before 8:30am. Office staff will contact you if your child is absent and no message has been left.

If attendance becomes a concern, medical evidence will be requested to support absences.

Start and finish times:

Year 3 and Year 6 start at 8:40am and finish at 3:05pm

Year 4 and Year 5 will start at 8:45am and finish at 3:10pm

The school gate will be locked at 8:50am daily. After this time, pupils must go to the school office to be signed in.

100% ATTENDANCE

This week, 266 pupils achieved 100% attendance.



Be an
Attendance

H.E.R.O.



★ **Here**
★ **Everyday**
★ **Ready**
★ **On time**





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Celebrations!

Each Friday, we recognise and celebrate pupils' achievements in our Celebration Assembly.

Reader of the Week: this award recognises pupils for their home reading. Pupils who have taken part in *Everybody, Every Night*, reading five times per week at home with an adult and having their reading diary signed get to read in their year group reading area with a friend for their choice for the following week!

Star Reader: this award recognises pupil's achievements on *Accelerated Reader*, our online reading platform.

Mathematician of the Week: this award recognises pupils' *mathematical reasoning* in lessons. Staff identify a member of their maths group who have shown excellent mathematical reasoning. Pupils are awarded with a 'Mathematics Award' sticker.

Diamond Squad: this award is highly desired by pupils and comes with some fantastic privileges around school such as lunch at the magnificent 'Diamond Squad' table with a chosen friend for the week and extra playtime! It is awarded to pupils who have showcased our school values this week.

See below the awards given in this week's Celebration Assembly:

| Teacher | Reader of the Week | Star Reader | Writer of the Week | Mathematician of the Week | Diamond Squad |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Mrs Laydon | Anatoli | Jayden | Georgia | Fareed | Jacob |
| Mrs Hubery | Riley | Chibugo | Gracie | Firas | Sophia |
| Mrs Crawford | Joshua | Erastus | Kane | Toni-Ann | Adeena |
| Mr Woods | Marcus | Zhy | Leah | Alexis | Zhy |
| Mrs Edwards | Billie | Mena | Charlie | Anusha | Naomi |
| Miss Inkster | Chizim | Subomi | Naseeha | Tilly | Olivia-Mae |
| Miss MacDonald | Keegan | Keegan | Corey | Duncan | Corey |
| Mrs Haydon | Tyler | Kendra | Grace (Y6) | | Matthew |
| Miss Robinson | Jack | Jane | Adam | Sonny | Paige |
| Miss Tallintire | Dara | | | Alfie (Y3) Keaton (Y5) | Solomon |
| Mr Guthrie | Sophia | Ebony | Lillie | | Blen |
| Mrs Kendrick/Herron | Heidi | David | Leon | | Nyla |
| Mr Crowther | | Dara | Jayden | | |
| Mrs Wilson | | | | | |
| Mr Calvert | | | | Callum | |

