



NEWSLETTER

Friday 27th May 2022
Summer Term 1, week 5

A message from Mrs Hoare...

This week has seen the end of the first summer half term - and what a half term it has been! We have all been incredibly busy with a whole host of activities including educational visits, SAT week and, lots and lots of learning!

This week and last, pupils learned about the Queen and her phenomenal 7 decades in reign. We ended the week by celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in our very own street party! We had a brilliant performance from our dance club to open the ceremony and we then all enjoyed a scone and some cake!

This week, we have also said goodbye to Miss Atkinson, who has been working at our school over the summer and spring terms. We wish her the best of luck in her career in teaching. We also say goodbye to Mrs Taylor, who has worked at Diamond Hall Junior Academy for over twenty years! You will be missed dearly and we wish you the best of luck in your new venture.

From everyone at Diamond Hall Junior Academy, have a safe and wonderful half term break. Hopefully there will be some sunshine to enjoy too!

Important Messages

Old School Uniform: Please donate your child's old school uniform to school. We can use this to support other families and replace any lost items. Please bring any donations into the school office. Thank you.

5BH: Mrs Haydon's class will now be dismissed from the fire escape, outside of her classroom. This is located on the grassed area, next to the school car park. This will help reduce the number of pupils on the yard and in the corridors at home time.

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check: This Statutory Assessment period lasts three weeks. It is imperative pupils practise their times tables up to 12 x 12 at home. Resources have been provided including access to Times Table Rockstars. The 'Arena' platform allows pupils to practise in the style of the assessment.

Year 6 Leavers: There are lots of upcoming events for our Year 6 Leavers. Parents/Carers, please keep your eye out for communication being sent home.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 27 th May 2022	Break up for half term
Monday 6 th June 2022	Return to school - Summer 2
Monday 6 th June 2022	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check begins - this is a Statutory Assessment
Friday 24 th June 2022	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check ends
Thursday 21 st July 2022	End of term

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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**. 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:	93.75%	94.79%	91.67%	98.08%	96.15%	99.04%
Lates:	1	2	2	0	0	0

Upper Key Stage 2

Class:	5AR	5BH	5KM	6NKAH	6CC	6DG
Attendance:	87.08%	98.33%	91.52%	81.03%	94.58%	92.24%
Lates:	0	0	2	0	0	2

100% ATTENDANCE

This week, 271 pupils achieved 100% attendance.



Reporting Absence

Please can we remind parents to contact the office if your child is going to be absent from school. This should be done before 8:30 am.

If attendance becomes a concern, medical evidence will be asked for to support the absence.

Remember: the school gate will be locked at 8:50am daily. After this point, pupils will need to go the office to be signed in.

Be an
Attendance

H.E.R.O.



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





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All about Year 6...

This week, year six have taken part in a range of activities to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. They kickstarted the week by researching Queen Elizabeth's astonishing 70-year reign over Great Britain, including her accession to the throne. They then explored the reasons behind the Platinum Jubilee and used their research to write a newspaper report. The children have also created some fantastic mixed media collages, using a range of materials to depict the Queen's profile. They chose a range of images to symbolise the Queen, including crowns, stamps, coins and flags. They then displayed their collages onto a background of the Union Jack. To round the week off, the children have enjoyed a street party in the yard with flags, music and lots of celebrations! Keep an eye on our social media platforms for pictures of pupils enjoying the party!



Big Jubilee Lunch – From Sunderland City Council

Sunderland City Council is marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a Big Jubilee Lunch in Mowbray Park on Sunday 5 June! Families can join in the free festivities from 11am to 4pm – there'll be plenty to keep the whole family entertained all afternoon. Activities include:

- Regal characters to meet and learn some acting from, such as how to wave, bow or curtsy like a Royal
- An outdoor cinema with films showing throughout the day, including The Queen's Corgi, A Royal Night Out and The King's Speech
- Live music from Back Chat Brass and local buskers
- 4 Club Zest fitness classes, including a silent disco-style clubbercise session, Zumba and Cardio Blast
- Sporting activities provided by Young Asian Voices
- Plus face painters, balloon modellers, glitter artists, arts and crafts, and more!





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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	Mathematician of the Week	Diamond Squad
Mrs Laydon	Georgia	Jayden	Taylor	Sharon
Mrs Hubery	Charlie	Chibugo	Sophie	Kibria
Mrs Crawford	Maverick	Erastus	Kane	Ethan
Mr Woods	Bright	Bradley	Kaydin	Lola&Ashton
Mrs Edwards	Zoe	Danyal	Aryan	Mena
Miss Inkster	Subomi	Olivia	Thomas	Jack
Mrs Taylor/Miss MacDonald	Gabriella	Keegan	Keegan	Logan
Mrs Haydon	Lillie-Mae	Eva	Aaliya	Leah
Miss Robinson	Lillie	Daniel	Aiden	Alfie
Mr Crowther	Jay	Romany	London	London
Mr Guthrie	Ella	Zahra	Jake	Sophia
Mrs Kendrick/Herron	Chole	Mark	Yamin	Hannah
Mrs Wilson			Joshua	
Miss Tallintire Y5			Ameila	
Miss Tallintire Y3			Kibria	

