



## Family Fun Day - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May

New activities and favourites for this year's event include:

- Climbing wall
- Inflatable assault course
- Glitter face decals and hair braiding
- Bouncy castle



...and many more exciting activities!

After school on the day, families can join us for even more fun and excitement (see separate letter for details).

Royal Hat Parade –remember to bring your hat with you on the day for our parade.



## Footprints

Tomorrow, Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May, is the **final day** for booking and payments for the May half term holiday provision.

Please be aware that any requests for places after this date may not be accepted.



## Royal Wedding Bake-Off

On the day of the Family Fun Day, we invite all of our budding bakers to take part in the 'Royal Wedding Bake Off.'

On the day, bring along your beautiful creations, clearly labelled with the child's name and class. Judges will award 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners from the entries.





## Reading takes you places!

As an important aspect of our school development plan, reading throughout the academy is closely monitored to ensure that all pupils are achieving their potential and making progress. Accelerated Reader is currently used from Year 2 onwards and helps children to not only read a range of texts that interest them, but afterwards they are able to demonstrate their comprehension skills by taking a quiz. To pass a quiz, a child needs to score at least 80%; this shows a good level of understanding.

During our celebration assemblies each Friday, we champion the classes that have achieved the most quizzes passed (80% or more) throughout the week, with 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> positions. The winning class have their class photograph displayed for the week on the reading display in the hall for everyone to see.

We love to see tweets from families who share with us photos of their child engrossed in reading at home. Please share with us your child's, or your own, favourite childhood stories – you could inspire someone else to read it too!

We expect that all children read daily at home. Children receive daily, allocated time to engage in reading for a range of purposes – reading really does take you places!

### Donations

If anyone has any children's fiction books, that are in good condition, that they would like to donate to the school, they would be gratefully appreciated. Thank you to all of the parents that have already donated books. These are now in class libraries for other children to enjoy.

Many thanks to Mr. Hilditch who has very kindly donated a huge array of new resources for our Foundation Stage pupils, thank you!

Please park with consideration as we have received many complaints from residents regarding people parking across and blocking driveways.

By parking further away and walking, children can also work towards achieving their 'walk to school' badges -  
'Show you care, park elsewhere!'



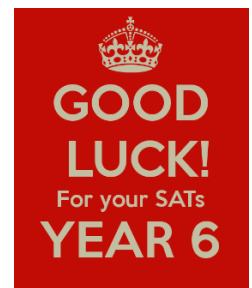
### Year 6 National Curriculum Assessments (SATs)

Year 6 SATs will be taking place next week from the 14<sup>th</sup> May.

Try to keep children as stress-free as possible and ensure they are well rested each evening. We know how hard all of the children (and parents) have worked in the lead up to SATs and we are extremely proud of each and every one of them!

Please ensure:

- Your child goes to bed early so they are well rested.
- Ensure that they have breakfast.
- Get them into school by 8.30 am so that they can meet friends, talk to the staff and get a drink and snack.
- Bring a healthy snack, as playtimes will be at various times throughout the week.
- Bring a water bottle
- Wear a watch- it may come in handy on the maths paper
- Support and praise them!

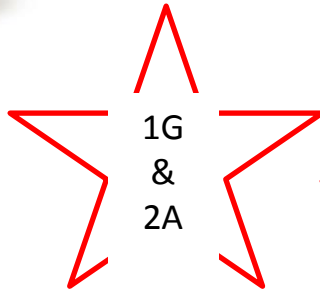




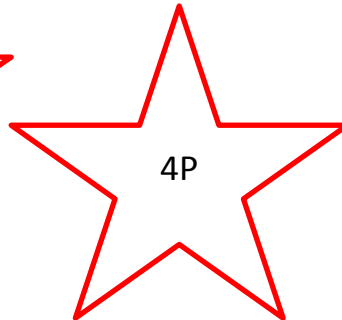
# School Attendance Matters



Foundation  
Stage



Key Stage 1  
Winners



Key Stage 2  
Winners



Boys or  
Girls?

## Halle Orchestra

Once more this year, Year 5 and 6 pupils will be performing with the Halle Orchestra on the 12<sup>th</sup> July at the Victoria Hall. This is a fantastic opportunity for the pupils to showcase their talents and hard work and be a part of a professional ensemble.

It is a fantastic event, and hopefully one that will inspire our pupils to continue to play a musical instrument throughout their life.



Continuing the music theme, Year 2 and 5 pupils took part in a Samba workshop this week. The children learned about Samba drumming and carnivals in Brazil. Year 5 pupils were able to link their new knowledge to their current topic, 'Amazing Americas'. The children certainly had fun and also learned how to maintain a beat, follow a pattern and demonstrate rhythm.



Continuing the Learning Journey

Let's Celebrate – We are Winners