



## Newsletter 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break. What a super first week back we have all had! This week we had a visit from Madam Mayor who delivered assembly for us talking to the children about her role and the work she does in the community. She then met with the school council children and Miss Hancox to discuss plans they have in place in school around future community events, litter picking in the local area and the bench made from recycled materials. Please keep the clean, empty bottles coming for this project.

The feedback in terms of children's manners and the warm welcome she received at The Mill Academy was lovely to hear. Please take a look at our Twitter page for the photos of her visit.

### **Team Treat**

Last half term, children in blue team collected the most points and therefore this week they have had their half termly winners treat. They enjoyed an afternoon of sports on the field and had juice too. The points were set back at zero at the start of this half term and I wonder which team will be the next winners? Well done again blue team, and the members of the Parents group who organised the events.

### **Queen's Jubilee**

Just a reminder that on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> we have an INSET day and break up on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May for our half term break. We have an additional Inset day this year due to the Queen's Jubilee.

To celebrate this event in school on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May we are having a Garden Party in the afternoon for the whole school from 2pm onwards. We are also having a 'Red, white and blue' non uniform day so children can come to school wearing these colours. There will be no cost for this. Our Friends of the Mill Academy are all busy behind the scenes already preparing for this celebration, it is going to be a lovely afternoon for all.

### **Sats**

As you know, this year, Year 6 children across the Country will be sitting their Sats tests during week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May. A letter will be going out about a cooked breakfast being provided for our Year 6 pupils that week and can we please ask parents/carers of Year 6 pupils to ensure children are well rested that week and have a prompt start to the school day. This will enable them to show off all their hard work they have put in leading up to this week.

Children in Year 2 will also be completing their assessments throughout the month of May and Miss Glyde will share more information with Year 2 parents soon.

Children in both year groups have worked so hard over the past few months and we are already so proud of their progress and achievements.

### **Breakfast club update**

There will NO breakfast club week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May. Please ensure you have alternative

### **Height and Weight Checks**

This week children in FS2 and Year 6 have had their height and weight checks. If your child was absent and would like this to be completed, please see the original letter you received to schedule this in.

### **School Dinner Menu**

The new menu is now out for the Summer term with lots of tasty new dishes. The menus are all on the parent zone section of the school website.

### **Headlice**

Could we please remind parents and carers to check your child's hair regularly for headlice as we have had quite a lot of cases since we have returned from the school holidays. Thank you.

### **Attendance**

Reception	93.3%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	93.8%
Year 3	92.2%
Year 4	95.3%
Year 5	84.3%
Year 6	90%

Unfortunately, before Easter we had an increase in covid cases in a couple of classes which has impacted on this weeks overall figures as our weekly attendance data runs from Thursday to Thursday each week. Next weeks figures will be much better as this week attendance across school has been good. Lets keep it up!

Just a reminder that our target for class attendance is 97%.

Enjoy a lovely bank holiday weekend and we will see you all on Tuesday.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Chambers

Headteacher.