



## Head's lines...

The first newsletter of the Summer term and yet the rain seems very persistent this week. However, the children have not let it spoil either the Football tournament at Wheatfields or the Year 5 trip to Kew Gardens this week.

School is as busy as ever with statutory tests taking place amid excitement about the new topics of Explorers and Romans amongst others. You should have all received class newsletters and topic overviews which are now also on the website to refer to.

The new library is being well used - before and after school - as well as in the timetabled class visits. Please do come in with your children any day to change books or to spend time reading before or after school. We are so grateful to all the families who sponsored books and to those who have volunteered to cover these sessions on a rota basis.

We appreciate this term is always busy so have included lots of key dates for you – these are also on the website. I look forward to seeing many of you at our maintenance day next Saturday.

Best wishes – Sharon Barton

### Important Dates

13 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS week
18 <sup>th</sup> May	PA Maintenance Day
20 <sup>th</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk to School Week
21 <sup>st</sup> May	PA Comedy Night
24 <sup>th</sup> May	PA Non-Uniform Day
27 <sup>th</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half-Term
3 <sup>rd</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 week @ Condoover Hall
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Half Marathon
10 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Week
19 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1, KS2 Parent Consultations
28 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET Day
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	KS1,KS2 Sports Day
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Evening
9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 5 and 6 Performance
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day
19 <sup>th</sup> July	School Finishes at 1:30 pm

## Butser Farm Visit

Years 3 and 4 enjoyed a visit to Butser Ancient Farm where they learned about Stone Age life. The children took part in activities that Stone Age people would have done in day to day life. "The best part of the day the day was looking around inside the huts at the cave paintings."

## World Book Day celebrations

A few weeks after the official date, we celebrated World Book Day at Camp School by officially opening our library and dressing up as our favourite book characters. We are always so impressed by the imagination and creativity of the costumes. It was lovely to share in so many book related activities during the week.



## INSET DAYS for 2019/2020

A reminder that School starts on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019.**

There will be INSET days on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019,**  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January & Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020.**

We will finish for the summer on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020.**



## Scooter Training

The JTAs have been really busy in school organising and helping deliver scooter training for Year 1 and 2 as well as preparing for Walk to School weeks coming up on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May.

We are also running pedestrian skills training for Year 4 again shortly – teaching the children how to safely navigate the roads around school.



## 'Express Yourself' Theme Week

We eased into the new term with a relaxing week of learning different ways to express ourselves. The children took part in different activities such as relaxation techniques with "Relax Kids," sketching, painting and a trip to Highfield Park.



## St Albans Half-Marathon

Eliza and Leo ran for Camp School in the Watford Junior Challenge recently. Leo ran in the U8's 1.2km run and finished 25<sup>th</sup> out of 95 runners. Eliza ran in the U14's, U12's, U10's 2.5km race and finished 53<sup>rd</sup> out of 125 runners and was the 6<sup>th</sup> Under 10 girl out of a field of 34 runners.

As part of the daily routine in school, the children enjoy running the Daily Mile. If your family would like to participate in a running event there is a 1.5km "fun run" on the 9<sup>th</sup> June around Verulamium Park. Children aged 8 and over can run it alone, but those 7 years and under must run with an adult. Please wear your Camp School PE kit to show your school spirit! Please see the St Albans Half Marathon website for more information.

<https://www.stalbanshalfmarathon.com/races>



## Football Focus

Congratulations go to all our footballers who have taken part in so many matches recently and really developed their skills and team work. Following a successful season we are proud winners of the league this year and were presented with the cup at the final match. Well done to all the players who have turned out in some awful weather conditions to represent the school.

The Year 5 players also managed to reach the finals of the 6 a side tournament - a great achievement.

Thank you to all the parents who have supported the children (and coached them!) and to Mrs Rose and Mrs Milton for their organisational skills.



As part of the children's learning, year groups have begun using our new **Chromebooks**. The feedback from them has been very positive with the children loving the interactivity, touch screens and range of games and resources available.

Although they will mostly be used for in-class work, there may be a need to access their account outside of school. If access is needed at home, your child has a unique sign in name and password. Information on how to access your child's account has been sent home in and is also available on the website under the Curriculum heading.