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## Summer Term Newsletter

Dear Parents,

As we are nearing the end of term, I thought I would share some of the children's achievements and events that have taken place since the last newsletter.

### KS2 RESULTS 2017

- End of KS2 SATs results are now out for this year. Again, the percentage of pupils achieving Age Related Expectations (ARE) at our school compare favourably to schools nationally:

#### At the Expected Standard:

- 93% (71% national average) of pupils achieved ARE in reading.
- 97% (75% national average) of pupils achieved ARE in maths.
- 97% (76% national average) of pupils achieved ARE in writing.
- 100% (77% national average) of pupils achieved ARE in spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- Our pupils' combined achievement in reading, writing and maths is 90% compared to the national average of 61%.

Please note that achievement in ARE is a scaled score of 100 or more in the tests.

#### Above the Expected Standard:

- 33% (25% national average) of pupils achieved the higher standard in reading.
- 80% (23% national average) of pupils achieved the higher standard in maths.
- 37% (18% national average) of pupils achieved the higher standard in writing.
- 73% (31% national average) of pupils achieved the higher standard in spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- The number of Year 6 pupils at Scotts achieving the higher standard/greater depth in reading, writing and maths is 27% compared to the national average of 9%.

## KS1 RESULTS 2017

- End of KS1 assessments have been completed and these are also above national averages:

### **At the Expected Standard:**

- 85% (76% national average) of pupils achieved ARE in reading.
- 84% (75% national average) of pupils achieved ARE in maths.
- 77% (68% national average) of pupils achieved ARE in writing.
- 75% of pupils achieved ARE in spelling, punctuation and grammar (no national average).
- Our pupils' combined achievement at ARE in reading, writing and maths is 73% compared to the national average of 63%.

### **Above the Expected Standard:**

- The number of Year 2 pupils at Scotts achieving the higher standard/greater depth in reading, writing and maths is 20% compared to the national average of 11%.
- 35% (25% national average) of pupils achieved the higher standard in reading.
- 37% (21% national average) of pupils achieved the higher standard in maths.
- 27% (16% national average) of pupils achieved the higher standard in writing.
- 37% (no national average) of pupils achieved the higher standard in spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- The number of Year 2 pupils at Scotts achieving the higher standard/greater depth in reading, writing and maths is 20% compared to the national average of 11%.

## YEAR 1 PHONIC SCREENING 2017

- 93% of our Y1 pupils achieved the phonic standard this year (81% national average).

## EYFS GOOD LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT 2017

- 80% of our Reception children achieved a Good level of Development this year (69% national average) and have been assessed as scoring highly across all areas of their learning.

## PUPIL PROGRESS AND ATTAINMENT IN ALL YEAR GROUPS 2017

- The senior leadership team have now collected end of year assessments of all other year groups and I am pleased to say that pupil progress and achievement continues to remain high across the school in reading, writing and maths and consistent with end of KS1 and 2 results. A detailed analysis of pupil progress and achievement is undertaken by leaders to ensure that all children make similar rates of progress and that any differences between groups are closed, for example we look closely at the outcomes of boys and girls to ensure that we are meeting the needs of all our children. This also supports our constant drive to maintain high standards and ensure that all our children reach their full potential.

## THE WIDER CURRICULUM

Scotts isn't just about academic achievement. We like to think that we deliver a first class education in other areas of the curriculum to ensure that children develop into creative, responsible and independent citizens of the future. Some of the activities (and achievements) that the children have participated in over the past couple of months include:

- The Year 6 pupils had a fantastic time at the Isle of Wight. They took part in a whole range of activities and I know that the children really did challenge themselves during the week to overcome their fears and try new things. Thank you to Mr Kinnear, Miss Perry, Mrs Jones and Mrs Walker who supervised the children on the trip and who I also know had a wonderful time.
- The reception class assemblies were brilliant - particularly the songs! So well done to our very youngest children for being so confident.
- Four Year 5 pupils took part in the Hall Mead borough maths quiz. They competed well against other schools with teams mainly made up of Year 6 pupils so well done to our Scotts mathematicians: Harrison Godfrey, Reily Williams, Harry Hitchcock and Jack Ryder.
- The Scotts Choir performed well at the Queens theatre in Hornchurch a couple of weeks ago. I must say that I was very proud of the children - they performed brilliantly: they showed much confidence on stage and appeared to be enjoying every moment! Well done to Miss Perry and Mrs Jones for rehearsing with the children.
- Our Chinese visitors from Huaihe Primary School near Shanghai have thanked us for an enjoyable visit. They spent the week participating in lessons around the school and they sung to our children in assembly and showed the children a film that they had made about their school. They also taught the Year 5 children how to make Chinese lanterns from materials they brought with them, which they then presented as gifts. The Mayor of Havering visited the school and invited the children, along with our Global Ambassadors, back to the Town hall where they were lucky enough to meet the new MP for Hornchurch and Upminster, Julia Dockerill. A massive thank you to the Global Ambassadors who looked after our Chinese friends so well and a huge thank you to those parents who hosted the children after school on the Thursday and provided dinner for them. This trip had taken two years to organise and get off the ground so thank you to Mrs Boardman for making this happen and to Mrs Sahota for ensuring that things ran smoothly during the week. In case you are unaware, the Scotts Global Ambassadors are: Emily Pepper, Amelia Puxley, Harrison Godfrey, Finlay Course, Reily Williams, Joe Wright and Maddie Bailey. We wish our Chinese friends a safe journey home this week.
- Last week, the school held its Multicultural Week. Each class adopted a country and learnt as much as they could about the culture of that country. Some of the activities during the week included visiting a French Café, cooking or sampling food and learning a traditional dance (thank you to Mrs Monk). Several parents came into school to share their cultural traditions and the children very much enjoyed these visits. The children gained a lot from the experiences over the week (which I am sure

they will have told you about already) and each class presented to the rest of the school in Friday's assembly which was absolutely wonderful!

- A big well done should go to the Year 5 Play Leaders who help out with younger pupils at lunchtimes. Again, these children ensure that the infants get the support that they need to ensure they get as much fun out of play times as they can. Well done Year 5 for giving up your own playtimes to help out! You are proving to be great role models for the rest of the children and I am sure that you will be very responsible Year 6s next year!

## SPORTS

- Since May, there have been several sports competitions that pupils have participated in, including: badminton, Quad Kids and cricket. Please remember to keep looking at <http://www.scotts.havering.sch.uk/statutory-information/sports> for results of sporting competitions that have taken place.
- Many children have been taking part in the Havering Mile at lunchtimes and have now completed either the half marathon or the full marathon. Please see <http://www.scotts.havering.sch.uk/news> for information.
- The girls' football team played really well in the Linda Galloway tournament in June. They got through to the quarter finals and played brilliantly but unfortunately didn't get through to the finals. Mrs Knapp was very proud of the girls and said that they displayed great team spirit and were fantastic ambassadors for Scotts. I know that Mrs Knapp is now scouting for new players for next year!
- A big well done should go to the Year 5 and 6 members of the Sports Crew who organised and ran an infant activity sports day. The children took part in mini activities and I know that they had lots of fun. The members of the Sports Crew have also been running a fitness club (Change for Life). Without these keen sports enthusiasts this club would not be able to run. Well done to the infants that have attended too - there has been lots of great feedback. Please see: <http://www.scotts.havering.sch.uk/children/scotts-sports-crew> for members.
- It was unfortunate that we had to cancel the infants' sports morning due to the weather. Who would have thought that the two days set aside for sports day would be the only two rainy days of the term! Anyway, the junior sports afternoon went ahead and I know the children enjoyed it immensely. Thank you to Mrs White for organising this and a big thank you to the Sanders students who helped us out (at the very last minute) during the afternoon. We did manage to run the infant sports morning on the Thursday, cheered on by the juniors, which was really enjoyed by all. I know that Mrs White will be posting photos of the event on the website for parents to view.

## GOVERNORS

- Governors have been very involved in the school this term: Miss Chamberlain, one of our school governors, ran a money workshop with Year 4 pupils; Mrs Boardman hosted

the Chinese visitors; Mr McLaren brought a colleague into school to familiarise the children with Chinese customs prior to their visit and Mrs Course, Mr Window and Mr Pepper have also been in school to visit classes and have attended school events.

## FOSA

- The Summer Fayre was a huge success so a big thank you to Amy Quarrell and Alison Rogers and the rest of the FOSA team for organising such a fabulous event. Everyone worked extremely hard on the day and it went very smoothly (helped along by the glorious sunshine!) We have not received exactly how much was raised but I am sure that FOSA will let you know as soon as this is available. Thank you to all the parent and teachers who also helped out on the day - this really did ensure that this year's fayre was a success.
- FOSA also organised the infant entertainer and junior disco last week so thank you to those members and parents who helped out at these events to ensure that things ran smoothly.

## THIS WEEK

This week is extra busy (as usual).

- We are holding our last 'Good to be Different' day of the year today. All classes will be learning about equality in British Society and the importance of acceptance, empathy and understanding for those that may be different to themselves.
- I know the children are looking forward to meeting their new teachers tomorrow.
- Mr Martin has again organised a team of volunteers from Barclays Bank to undertake a project in school over the next couple of days. They will be working on enhancing the outdoor Early Years area - thank you, Mr Martin for arranging this!
- Year 6 will be performing their end of year 'Leavers' Play' to their parents on Thursday. I am sure it will be a memorable (and for some, emotional) performance!
- Friday, our last day, will be taken up with our Celebration Assembly, and ensuring the children are ready for the summer holidays!

There were a couple of minor errors on the letter that went out regarding classes for next year. This is the correct information:

Existing class	Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistant
	YR Chestnut	Miss Marshall	Mrs Lee/Miss Foster
	YR Willow	Miss Morris	Miss Patel
RW/RCh - A separate letter has gone out	1M	Mr O'Meara	Mrs Monk
	1D	Miss Driscoll	Mrs Bartram & Mrs Kavanagh
1S	2S	Mrs Sahota	Mrs Martin
1H	2T	Mrs Taylor/Mrs Adams	Mrs Aynsworth
2S	3A	Miss Austin	Miss Green
2T	3S	Miss Short	Mrs Howard
3S	4B	Mrs Bajada	Mrs Walsh
4A	5S	Miss Stagg	Mrs McLaren
5P	6P	Miss Perry/Mr Kinnear	Mrs Jones

I would like to say a very fond farewell to our Year 6 children who very shortly will be embarking on the next stage of their educational journey. They have been brilliant this year as prefects and generally as representatives of the school at various events and I know that they will do very well in their new schools. I very much look forward to hearing all about their future successes and achievements.

Finally, I hope you agree that it has been another super year and I would like to say thank you for your continued support of the school - this really does make a difference. If I do not get to speak with you by the end of the week I hope you all have a lovely holiday and I look forward to seeing the children in the new academic year.

Please note that the children return to school on Wednesday 6th September 2017.

Yours sincerely,

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