

# Mears Ashby School News

## Friday, 25th May 2018



### Values Education

**Our value is: Thoughtfulness : Romans 12.2: Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.**

#### Marvellous Middles

We have had another lovely and busy term for all our pupils. As part of their theme of 'Invaders and Settlers' our Sycamore children visited the Verulamium Roman Museum in St Albans last Friday to learn more about Romans.

This Wednesday our Acorn pupils joined with the children from Cranford to experience together a visit from Bugtopia and they all enjoyed meeting various creeping crawlies to finish off their theme of 'Round and Round the Garden'.

At the start of next term Elms will be going to Whipsnade Zoo for the day as part of their theme and looking at days out in the UK..

Later in the term our Oaks class will be spending a day out at Boughton House and will be treated to an afternoon tea in the grounds as their Fabulous Finish to their theme of 'The Great British Bake Off'.

#### Curriculum Talk

Acorn's Curriculum Talk will take place at school on Monday 4th June at 3pm and all parents of Acorns children are welcome to attend.

#### Strings-First Access Sessions

On Mondays, pupils in Sycamores have been enjoying Violin and cello lessons provided by NMPAT (Northamptonshire Music Performing Arts Trust). Lessons are being delivered for 10 weeks and Sycamores' parents will be invited in at the end of this period to watch their child/ren perform.

#### ATTENDANCE FOR MAY

**Please note the expected attendance is 96%**

Should your child's attendance fall below 96% for any reason, it is the school's statutory duty to send reminder letters to parents and carers to inform them that their child is below the national expectation, regardless of whether the absence has been authorised or not.

CLASS	Presents	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Possible	% Attend
ACORNS	397	26	0	432	94
ELMS	732	24	0	756	96.8
SYCAMORES	756	53	8	864	92.8
OAKS	708	2	10	720	95.5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2593</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2772</b>	<b>95.5</b>

#### Father's Day Breakfast - 12th June 2018

All dads, grandads or other male relations are invited to this event to celebrate ahead of Father's Day on Sunday 16th June 2018.

Invitation letters have been sent out separately.

#### Playground Activities

Please can we ask parents to remind their children to be mindful of their chosen activities at break and lunch times as we have received a report of some children taking to eating plants.

Please can you remind your children that it is not advisable for them to eat any plants or leaves from around the playground area at anytime. Thank you.

#### KS2 Swimming Lessons

Straight after the Half term week our Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 pupils will be taken for swimming lessons at the Moulton Pool for 6 weeks of tuition from 5th June to 10th July.

#### Cake Stalls

Thank you for your continued support with our weekly cake stalls. This month Year 1 raised £27.50, Reception raised £21.50 and Year 6 raised 21.10.

#### Cake Stalls for June:

**Year 5 - Friday 8th June**  
**Year 4 - Friday 15th June**  
**Year 3 - Friday 22nd June**  
**Year 2 - Friday 29th June**

#### Royal Wedding Street Party

Last Friday, 18th May the pupils in Elms hung out the Union Jack bunting to celebrate the Royal Wedding of HRH Prince Harry to Meghan Markle that took place the next day.

Pupils sat outside in the sunshine and enjoyed refreshments and waved flags in celebration.

#### KS1 & KS2 SATS

Well done to all our Year 6 and Year 2 pupils that took part in this years SATS tests these last two weeks in school.

You were all stars! You all behaved responsibly and we know you would have all tried your very best.

#### Dates for the Diary:

**Curriculum : Last Day of Term — Friday 25th May**

**Return to School - Monday 4th June**

**PDET Year 5 Maths Day - Monday 4th June**

**Acorns Curriculum Talk - 4th June at 3pm.**

**Elms Trip to Whipsnade Zoo - Friday 8th June.**

**Father's Day Breakfast - Tuesday 12th June**

**Oaks Trip to Boughton House - Wednesday 27th June**

**Sports Day - Thursday 28th June**

#### May Birthdays

Jesse, Finley, & Mia