

NEWSLETTER

Please join us this afternoon for the Summer Fete from 3-5pm.

Building Work Update and Coffee Morning

The Building work is going well, thank you for your continued support. As you can see the fence is now up and you are welcome to look through and see how it is progressing.

KS1 will enter and exit through their classroom doors until the end of term. Please do join us at our coffee morning on Tuesday 10th July 2018 at 8.30am, where we will share the plans with you.

Staff Leavers

Unfortunately this is the time of year when we have to say goodbye to children and staff who are leaving.

I would like to thank Fiona Morrall for covering Katy McDonald's maternity leave. I would also like to wish her well on taking up a post closer to home.

I would like to thank Amber Tullett for her work at the school as a Sports Apprentice and wish her well for the future.

I am sure you will join me in thanking the staff who are leaving for their hard work and dedication to the children and wish them well in their new ventures.

School Photos

The deadline for returning your child's school photographs is the **morning of Monday 9th July 2018**. Any handed in after this time will be returned and not processed by the school, however you can still order online after this date.

Thank you!

Reception and KS1 Singing Festival

On Wednesday afternoon, Foundation Stage and KS1 impressively performed a range of songs from their learning in Music. With a summer theme to their singing, there was a lovely positive atmosphere. All of the children sang beautifully and we look forward to hearing them perform in the future.

Assemblies

2 Maple - This morning 2 Maple wowed us with their last class assembly for KS1. The children enjoyed sharing all of their favourite things that they have learnt in Year 2 and they spoke clearly with confidence.

The children also sang one of their favourite songs that they have learnt in Music and also showcased the minibeast puppets that they made in DT.

4 Willow - 4 Willow took us on a journey to Hogwarts. We began with a few Gryffindor's sharing their English work on their way to a defence against the dark arts class. We heard fabulous descriptions of the Grand Hall, Professor Umbridge's office and the mirror of Erised. I hope Snape didn't take too many points away from them for being late to class!

We then were taken to an Alchemy class and the children shared information on the 6 stages of the water cycle. In muggle studies, we were given clear demonstrations on three different athletic events. After this, we caught a glimpse of some Hogwarts students practicing their violin recital for the end of year concert. To end the assembly, we were transported to the Gryffindor common room and shown some amazing STEM projects (Science, technology, engineering and maths).

Well done everyone!

Sports

On Thursday, 5th July our year 5 athletics team travelled to Meryfield for the annual Partnership Athletics Tournament. Both the boys and girls squads performed fantastically well, demonstrating our sporting values consistently throughout the event.

With eleven other schools participating, the track and field were extremely busy with strong competition all around. However, despite the pressure from their competition and the heat of the relentless sun, with determination and the support of their peers, the Cowley Hill Squad pushed through each event. A special mention goes out to Julia, Izzy and Amya for their superb efforts within the 600M in which they all finished within the top 4 of an event that saw 24 girls running simultaneously.

Finishing with an astonishing 404 points - Cowley Hill have now qualified for the county finals which will see the top 8 schools from Borehamwood, Watford and Bushey compete. Team captains, Julia and Alfie both agreed that the squads efforts were non-stop and continuous. They both believe that with more of the same hard work and self-belief, the squad can now go on and win the county finals.

Well done to all involved!

Open Evening - Annual Reports - Monday 16th July 6-7pm

It's already that time of year again, where we open our doors and show off the amazing work the children have been producing this year. On Monday 16th July 2018 at 6pm you will be able to join us on our Open Evening and celebrate the successes of the children.

Come and meet your child's new class teacher and have a look around their new classroom. Each classroom will have a range of work on display. There will be an opportunity to see some examples of work on Reasoning in Maths which has been a large focus this year. Your child's annual report will also be available on the evening.

If you are unable to attend your child will receive their report on Tuesday 17th July 2018.

Art Work Display

Cowley Hill proudly displayed a small selection of artwork at the annual Rotary Club exhibition last weekend. Several members of the public commented on the high standards and artistic prowess of the children.



Well done children ... keep up the good work!

School Year 2018/19

I am pleased to announce your child's new teacher from September will be:

Children Currently In:	Will Move to:
R Ash	1 Beech - Miss Hollie Crease
R Elm	1 Holly - Miss Debbie Brown
1 Beech	2 Birch - Mr Matthew Peters
1 Holly	2 Maple - Miss Katie Witham
2 Birch	3 Cedar - Mr Jonathon Mears
2 Maple	3 Hazel - Mrs Gillian Amponsah & Mrs Liz Langridge
3 Cedar	4 Cherry - Mrs Allegra Rach & Miss Sara Boon
3 Hazel	4 Willow - Miss Louise Pitcher
4 Cherry	5 Chestnut - Miss Helen Taggart
4 Willow	5 Sycamore - Mr Andy Penn
5 Chestnut	6 Hawthorn - Mr Edward Farrell
5 Sycamore	6 Mulberry - Mr Peter Clayton

Your child will meet their new teacher on Thursday 12th July and you will be able to meet your child's new teacher, at our Open Evening which will take place on Monday 16th July from 6-7pm.

Year 6 Production

The Year 6 production will be on Wednesday 11th July 2018 at 7pm, refreshments will be available from 6.30pm in the dining hall and children should be back at school to prepare for their performance at 6.15pm.

****Please note that if England are through to the semi-finals the end of year production will be rescheduled to Thursday 12th July 2018 at 7pm****

After School Club

In After School Club we have enjoyed celebrating International week with Canada Day on the 1st July, Japan Tanabata Festival on the 7th July and USA Independence Day on the 4th July.

For art we learnt how to make Origami. Julia kindly brought in an excellent Origami book which had so many exciting ideas. It showed us step by step guides how to fold the card and we were able to make cats, dogs and very colourful ladybirds. As the book was in Polish, some of us also tried to learn a few of the words and names. We definitely need a few more lessons before we are fluent!



For cooking we baked Fairy Cakes. The children worked in groups and mixed all the ingredients together. We then divided the mixture into three bowls and added some food colouring to each one.

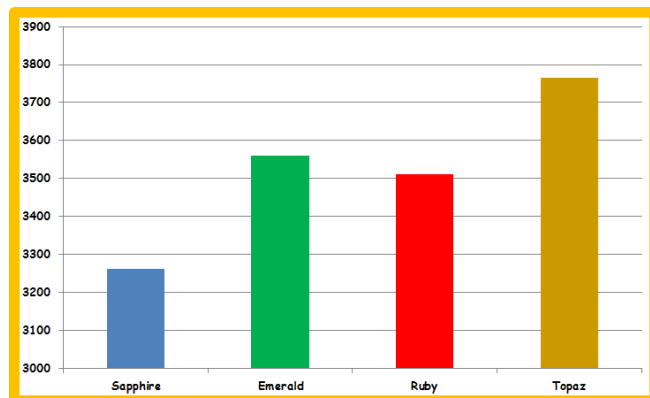
The cakes were cooked in the oven and looked like beautiful rainbow cakes.

Image Consent Forms

If you have received another copy of the image consent form can you please complete it and send it back by return.

House Tokens

The current house point results.



Sapphire	3262
Emerald	3560
Ruby	3511
Topaz	3765

Attendance

The classes with the best attendance for this week in Reception/KS1 1-Holly with 98.6% attendance and in KS2 5-Sycamore with 99.2%. WELL DONE.

Group Reception/KS1	Possible	% Attend
1 Holly	100	98.6
2 Birch	100	98.6
2 Maple	100	97.9
1 Beech	100	96.3
Reception Elm	100	95
Reception Ash	100	90

Group KS2	Possible	% Attend
5 Sycamore	100	99.2
6 Hawthorn	100	99
3 Hazel	100	97.6
4 Cherry	100	95.2
3 Cedar	100	93.6
4 Willow	100	92.3
5 Chestnut	100	92.1
6 Mulberry	100	91.4

Parking

It is important we act as responsible, safe and considerate neighbours when driving and parking around the local streets outside the school gates, please be mindful of where you are parking at all times and make sure that driveways and access points are kept clear. Thank you!

Weather

As the weather is very warm at the moment the children need to bring into school with them a water bottle, sun hat and have sun cream applied before they arrive. Water bottles can be topped up during the day.

Class Assemblies

Friday 20th July at 9am - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Summer Term Dates 2018

Mon 9 th July	3-Hazel 'Make A Face' Exhibit
Mon 9 th July	R-Ash MOD Pizza Visit
Tue 10 th July	Guitar Performances - 9am
Tue 10 th July	Nursery trip to Willows Farm
Wed 11 th July	R-Elm Pizza Visit
Wed 11 th July	Year 6 Performance - 7pm
Thurs 12 th July	Moving Up Day
Thurs 12 th July	Reserve Year 6 performance - 7pm
Fri 13 th July	Reception Trip to the Cinema
Mon 16 th July	String Performances 5.45pm
Mon 16 th July	Open Evening 6-7pm
Wed 18 th July	Sports Presentation Evening 5pm
Wed 18 th July	Year 1 Food, Picnic and Activity Lunch.
Fri 20 th July	Children finish at 1.15pm

Term Dates for 2018/19

AUTUMN TERM 2018

Tuesday 4th September to Friday 21st December
Half-Term Week - Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November

SPRING TERM 2019

Tuesday 8th January to Friday 5th April
Half-Term Week - Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February

SUMMER TERM 2019

Tuesday 23rd April to Friday 19th July
Half-Term Week - Monday 27th to Friday 31st May
No School - 24th June

Jon Hood
Headteacher