



Photos: Year 6s enjoying a dance session before school and bacon rolls mid-morning!

This week has been all about Year 6 and SATs week, mainly because we have to use the hall for the tests which means every other class has to stay in theirs and be quiet. The children worked really hard. After every test we asked them if they felt they had done their best – that's all we can ask (they all agreed!). These are the first formal exams the children will experience so it's important to us that their experience is positive; that they realise that if you prepare sensibly then you can overcome any nerves. Having now finished them they've proved to themselves they can do it. This self-confidence is an important life lesson; we all have moments in life that make us nervous, such as job interviews for example, but can cope with the feelings.

Dates for your Diary:

- Tues 19 May** – Badgers
Greek Day
- Wed 20 May** –
Hedgehogs Egyptians Day
- Fri 22 May** – INSET
Closure Day
- Mon 25 – Fri 29 May** –
Half Term



Sport next week

As the children aren't here next Friday, the usual sport session will be on Thursday.

Bird Box News

Our blue tits started to fledge this week. On Wednesday, the children watched the first few babies, now with much more defined flight feathers, stretching and jumping about and then later in the day a few had gone! This excitement was tempered when a few babies were found dead outside later – the culprit was most likely a predatory red spotted woodpecker. This harsh reality of the balance of nature is obviously not the most cheerful message but important to understand. The four birds left in the nest were a bit smaller but have now benefited from uninterrupted feeding attention so are looking strong. The three left look likely to fledge today or tomorrow!



Don't Forget
INSET Closure Day
Friday 22nd so
Thursday is last day
before half term
(Newsletter on
Thursday)

Community Cafe

You might be interested in the 'Butterflies' Community Café at Blessed Mary church Thursdays 9.15 – 12. For more info 07986 009942


INSET Day left for 25/26
• Fri 22 May

Check you haven't missed these communications this week:

- None

Dressing up Days

Both Hedgehogs and Badgers Classes are having a dressing up day for those who want to join in next week. These days relate to their history-lead topics this term and both classes are having an experience day as a climax to the learning from this half term. You may spot some very different outfits next week:

- Tuesday 19th** – Badgers (Y5&6) Ancient Greeks Day 
- Wednesday 20th** – Hedgehogs (Y3&4) Ancient Egyptians Day 

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