

# John F. Kennedy Primary School

## The Buzz Newsletter



Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

**VE Day Celebrations:** It has been an important week across the country as celebrations have taken place to commemorate 80 years since VE day. As a school, we wore red, white and blue, the yard was decorated in bunting, and pupils completed a range of activities, including singing a song 'Sing for the King', which all pupils across the country were encouraged to perform. The pupils also enjoyed an afternoon outside, recreating a street celebration, enjoying snacks with their friends, listening to music and waving flags before spending time with their friends playing a selection of games from the 1940s! Thanks to Mr Thompson and Mrs Stewart for organising the day, and also to our kitchen staff for creating a cake treat for the whole school.

**Road Safety:** On Wednesday, year 3 took part in some road safety activities just outside of school. They were very sensible and a credit to the school according to the Go Smarter Team.

**Year 6 SATs:** Next week is a very important week for our oldest pupils in school, as they will be completing their SATs. Throughout the year, all the children have given 100% effort into their work, and we couldn't be prouder of the improvements they have made. Next week is their chance to shine and show everyone how amazing they are! This weekend, they should relax, and try and complete activities that are non-school based, which hopefully will keep their minds on other things. As usual, to support with the week, we are offering year 6 pupils the opportunity to attend a breakfast club in the main hall from 8.00am, where our staff will be serving a variety of cereals, toast, pastries and hot/cold drinks. Please make sure you have completed the form sent earlier this week if you would like to book a spot for your child.

**Sporting Stars:** What a busy bank holiday weekend it has been for sports in 4AF! Joseph W earned a trophy for his team, the Washington Tigers, as a result of helping score the most assists and goals in a tournament. Jack R also earned a trophy for his team, the Beamish Rangers, when he took part in a separate football tournament, travelling all the way to Skegness to take part. Luckily, it was worth the journey as his team won! Oliver R also earned a trophy for Washington Athletics Man of the Match for his excellent saves as the team goalkeeper. Excellent sporting achievements!



**Attendance:** This week our attendance is 95.10%, and our running total since the start of the year is 94.01%. The class with the highest attendance in Key Stage 1 was 1AP, and in Key Stage it was 6PP with 100%! Can we achieve over 96% as a school next week?

Class	Nurs	RAM	RES	1AP	1MT	2JW	2MA	3DF
Attendance	97.30	91.07	88.75	100	95.65	93.00	95.67	98.28
Class	3GB	4AF	4BK	5MA	5RN	6LM	6PP	TH
Attendance	97.08	93.52	94.20	93.50	94.23	93.27	100	91.67

**Non-Uniform Day:** On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May children are welcome to wear non-uniform for school. On this day, we will kindly be asking for donations of items towards our upcoming summer fayre:

- EYFS/KS1/Treehouse: chocolate bar
- KS2: bottle (pop/water/alcohol/condiments)

**Spare Uniform/Clothing:** On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May we will have tables out on the yard of unclaimed (and unnamed) uniform which families are welcome to take. If all parents/carers could ensure names are added to all children's clothing, including jackets and coats, as this helps staff to ensure these are returned to the owner.

Have a relaxing weekend.

*B. H. Adams*



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# Stars of the Week



Year Group	Class	Star of the Week
Nursery	NAO	Lucie H Dominic W
	RAM	Lola R Eden G
Reception	RES	Beau H Jack B
	1AP	Rosie Chloe H
One	1MT	Finley R Oscar B
	2MA	Frankie B Imogen H
Two	2JW	Emily C Jake A
	3DF	Erin S Thomas W
Three	3GB	Grace L Bailey P
	4AF	Lara AM Joel M
Four	4BK	Jacob K Pheobe A
	5RN	Imogen W Heidi D
Five	5MA	Hayden S Emelia B
	6PP	Husna I Freddie L
Six	6LM	Elsa A Ayden T
	TLC	Arthur F
Treehouse	TNP	James C

**Head of School Award:** Peter B in 3GB spent his weekend creating a fantastic non-chronological report about Polar Bears. I was so impressed with all the facts when I read it. Well done Peter!

# Timetables

**PE Lessons:** This year we are asking for pupils wear their normal school uniform and bring their PE kit on the day of their lesson, where they will have time to get changed. Just to remind that the PE kit should be a plain white t-shirt (not a football shirt), black shorts or black jogging bottoms/leggings and trainers. A jumper can also be worn. At this time of year, PE is generally on the yard or field depending on the weather.

**Please note, there is no swimming for year 4 and no PE for Year 1 on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May due to SATs week.**

Week Commencing: 12 <sup>th</sup> May		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday		
Tuesday		Year 2
Wednesday		Year 3 Year 4
Thursday		Treehouse
Friday		Year 6 Year 5RN 5MA - Swimming

**Forest School:** Please send your child into school dressed appropriately for their session – **long sleeves and trousers, wellies and a waterproof coat if possible**. No additional accessories should be worn. Forest School still takes place when raining, and we don't want children sitting in class with wet clothes, so it would be useful to provide spare clothing/shoes on the day.

Week Commencing: 12 <sup>th</sup> May		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday		Reception
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		Nursery
Friday	Nursery	

