



Nether Kellet Community Primary School

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Events....

28th April Streetdance club starts
2nd May All other clubs start.
5th May Streetdance not on this week.
5th May non-uniform red, white and blue
Coronation picnic after school.
9th-12th May Y6 SATs Week
15th May—pre-sch sessions start.
22nd May—The Kellet Cup at O.K.
26th May—Break up
22nd June—Sports day (weather permitting- 23rd June reserve)
22nd June— New Reception parents' evening 6pm.

Nether Kellet News

THE GREAT INTERNATIONAL BAKE-OFF

We are loving our new theme and Oak Class have already been making their own pizzas in our cookery room. There will be lots more cooking taking place over the term. We are also exploring food through other curriculum areas. In art, we are learning to do all sorts of printing techniques linked with foods becoming progressively more complex from class to class, including: relief printing with blocks and lino, making our own relief designs, gel print, screen-printing and including learning printing linked with food. In science we are learning about human biology including digestion and nutrition. Our global learning and geography is focused on places around the world and we will explore food and cuisine around the world as well as focusing on food in French! Curriculum letters for each class will be coming out to you very soon detailing what is being taught and learned in each class.

Parents' Evening — thank you to all our parents who came to parents' evening. We had an excellent turn-out and it was lovely to see you all in school again after the Covid-disrupted parents' evenings that we had. As always, if you have any concerns or queries for your child's teacher or myself, do get in touch.

New Reception Class

We are inviting our new Reception children in to play sessions on Monday afternoons from 15th May. We look forward to seeing the children there and also invite parents to stay and play for the first two sessions if they wish to. We are also inviting parents of our new children to a parents' evening on 22nd June at 6pm. It will be lovely to see all our Reception Class '23 parents there!

Trips! Our Reception children will be heading to Borwick on 2nd May. They will be enjoying lots of exciting adventurous/forest school activities and I am sure they will have a fabulous and fun day pushing themselves to try new challenges! Chestnut Class had a great time at Pizza Express learning how to make their own pizzas linked with our food topic. (They also loved eating them afterwards!)



Be inspired.....have belief and grow



Statutory Assessments

We will shortly be starting the assessments that are statutory and carried out in every primary school. As always, we aim to make these assessments as stress-free for the children (and in many cases, the younger children may not be aware they are being assessed as obviously we are teacher-assessing all of the time).

Y6 SATs week starts on 9th May (after the Coronation BH). We will be sending a letter out with arrangements soon. Please ensure that your Y6 child is in for the whole of that week as the tests have to be conducted at specific times.

Y3-5 will also be doing non-statutory assessments similar to the Y6 SATs over the next few weeks.

Y4 will be doing the statutory multiplication screening in June. This involves the children doing an online test which requires them to input answers to multiplication and division facts within a few seconds. Please practise all tables to 12x12 with your Y4 child to help them (for the test but mainly so that they are ready with that knowledge for Y5!)

Y2 will be doing statutory KS1 SATs but these are done as "quizzes" with small groups working in the library and the children usually find these "fun"! Y1 statutory phonics screening will also be taking place in June.

Reception statutory end of year assessments will also be carried out in June. Our assessments of your children will be included in the children's end of year reports.

Sports-Leaders

Our current Y6

children were trained last year by Scott Wilcock to be sports leaders and they are resuming their lunchtime sports activities with the younger children this term now that we can use the field again. Our Y5s will be trained as sports leaders next week and the week after in sessions with Scott. The aim of the programme is to help develop the children's confidence and leadership skills. Y1-5 children enjoyed cricket coaching sessions again last week and Oak and Chestnut enjoyed fabulous dance sessions with Lil Beatz dance school too.

The Kellet Cup

On 22nd May after school, we

will be going to Over Kellet to play the annual football matches known as The Kellet Cup. There will be a senior boys' team, a younger boys' team and a girls' team playing—letters for the squads will be coming out soon. Everyone is welcome to come along and support. There will be refreshments available to buy.



PTA Update

Our PTA met this week and had a very productive meeting. We are very grateful to our current PTA who are very proactive and committed to contributing to our school. There are a few dates for the diary for PTA events:

Friday 5th May after school—the PTA are organising another picnic on the school field to mark the Coronation. Please come along with your children and a picnic and there will be a cake sale too. (Hopefully the weather will be a bit warmer by then!) Children can come in red, white and blue non-uniform that day (no charge for this).

Friday 30th June after school—the PTA are planning an outdoor disco (Kellet Calling!) similar to one we had pre-Covid (weather-permitting of course). If it is rainy, then we will hold it indoors instead.

Friday 14th July after school—summer fair. The PTA have raised quite a bit of money already this year with your help and involvement in events so thank you to everyone for your involvement and the PTA's efforts in organising events like the discos, tuckshops, Bake Off and the Easter Egg Raffle. They are going to use some of the money raised to fund a new i-pad-safe and i-pads for Chestnut classroom (available to be used by the whole school to supplement the i-pads we already have).

The PTA are also keen to have a bike-shed installed somewhere to give children (and staff) a secure place to keep bikes and scooters that they come to school on.

Best wishes, Nicki Bradbury

Term Dates: Please try to avoid holidays in term time as they can't be authorised except in exceptional circumstances.
Half term — Monday 29th May —Tuesday 6th June incl. Half-term— Monday 23rd —Friday 27th Oct incl.
Summer — Break up Friday 21st July 1:30pm Christmas—Break up Friday 22nd Dec
Back to school— Mon 4th Sept Back to school— Monday 8th January