



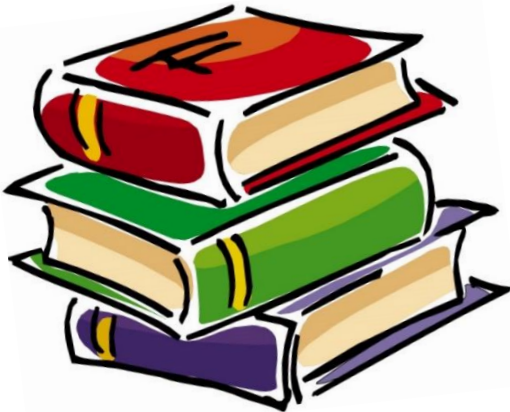
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you and your families are well. We have had another busy week in the academy with all our classes busy preparing for their individual sports days.

### Sports Day

Once again, due to COVID restrictions, we are unable to hold our sports day as we have done previously. This year, each class will hold their sports day in their individual bubbles, on their usual PE day, in the week beginning Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents/carers to watch, but we will take lots of pictures to share with families via our newsletter, website and social media sites, permissions allowing.



### Thank you

We would like to extend a huge thank you to Jack in year 3 and his family for the wonderful donation of Accelerated Reader books for our library. This is such a kind gesture and really adds to our ever growing library.

### Year 5 Homework Grid tasks

This week, Lola from year 5 completed one of the tasks on the year 5 homework grid which was to 'Try to help other people – record how you have helped other people in your community over the term'. Well done Lola for completing a litter pick!



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## Parking

Please can we kindly remind parents/carers to be respectful and courteous to the local residents and other road users when dropping off and collecting your children from school. We have received reports that drivers have been driving too fast past the school and parking inconsiderately across residents driveways and on double yellow lines.

## Bags To School

In an effort to raise some funds, the Friends of Connor Downs Academy have arranged a Bags2School collection for later this term. To be COVID secure, please could we ask for any clothes to be put into black bin liners – we will not be handing out bags as on previous occasions. Please do not bring your bags to school until Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021 as we will not be able to accept them. These will then be quarantined over the weekend to be collected on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2021. We will provide further details nearer the time of where the bags should be dropped.



## COVID Cases Rising

Cornwall is still seeing significant increases in positive cases and currently has the second highest transmission rate in the country.

With this in mind, please can I kindly ask:

- All parents/carers to strictly maintain social distancing whilst on the school site.
- All parents/carers to wear a face mask unless they are medically exempt.
- Only one parent/carer to escort their child/children to the class door where necessary.

## COVID-19 Asymptomatic Staff Testing Programme Across Aspire Academies

Every primary school in England now has access to rapid coronavirus testing for staff only. This testing, known as lateral flow testing, for our staff, is now taking place twice a week.

Please be aware that in a positive test scenario, you may receive communication of a bubble closure (if your child is in school) at extremely short notice, before school, on the morning of the closure. **You will be informed by text so please check your text messages from 8am onwards on a Monday and a Thursday morning.**

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# Connor Downs Academy

Head of School: Mrs J Eddy

## **Reporting Positive COVID-19 Test (out of hours)**

If you receive a positive COVID-19 test, in the first instance please contact the school office by phone. If the office is closed, please complete the form at the link below to report a positive test.

<http://www.aspireacademytrust.org/coronavirus>

<b><u>Attendance</u></b> Our school target for attendance is 96%		
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Year 2	99.5 %
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Year R	96.5 %

## **Shine Celebrations**

Please see below our Shining Stars for this week.

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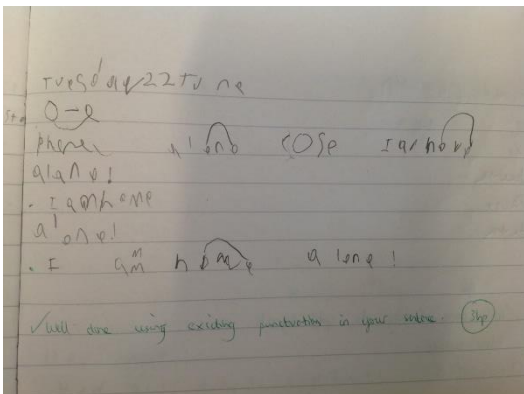
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### Year R – Colby

For working hard to develop his confidence and resilience during PE lessons. Colby is now able to climb to the top of our indoor climbing equipment with confidence and skill.

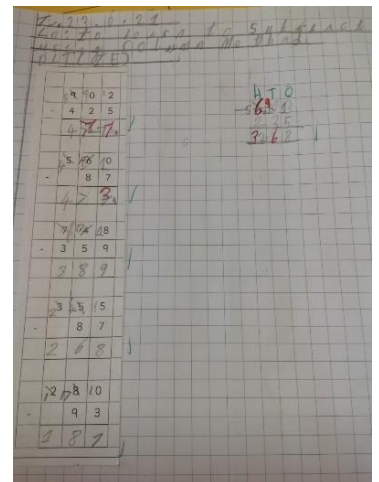
### Year 1 – Isaac

For a fantastic castle collage inspired by Henry Matisse. Isaac used lots of different colours to layer and mount his artwork. Well done Isaac!



### Year 2 – Alfie

For excellent reading progress and completing daily targets.



### Year 3 – Amelia B

For great work answering questions in our maths lesson to show her friends how to use column addition.

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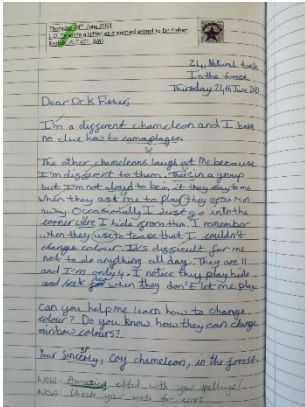
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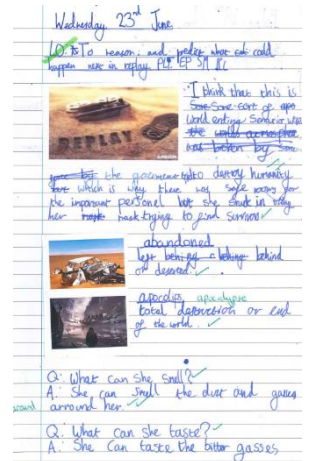
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## Year 4 – Holly

For her amazing letter writing this week. Holly took great care to focus on using our spellings this week in her work and has achieved a superb outcome. Well done Holly!



## Year 5 – Annika

For her insightful and vivid prediction about the plot of our visual text.

## Year 6 – Kayson

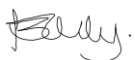
For being an all-round excellent person. Kayson is a very popular member of the class who consistently shows kindness and consideration to all his peers and the adults in class and around the academy in general. Well done Kayson!

## Performer of the Week

### Phoebe in Year 5

This is awarded for recording the greatest number of steps in a week using the new Moki Fitness trackers. Phoebe's total was 35,573 steps. Well done Phoebe!

Kind Regards,



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