

Spruce, Sycamore and Walnut

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023

**News and Reminders**

We've had a busy few weeks back after Easter! The year 6 children have worked incredibly hard during their revision lessons and completed their SATS tests last week. This week it has been the Y5s turn to complete their assessments. We are incredibly proud of how hard they have all worked and the great determination and resilience they have shown throughout the past couple of weeks.

**Skern Lodge:** An email containing a last few minute reminders went out today. Please read it carefully to ensure you have remembered everything! Mrs Glanney has organised an exciting week for those children staying at school. We look forward to sharing lots of photos in our next newsletter.

**Art/DT week:** Our next Art and DT week is the week of the 12<sup>th</sup> June. We are inviting parents to come in for a session with their child on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 1:45pm.** More details will be sent out on Parentmail next week.

**Weather:** As the weather is now becoming warmer please can children remember to bring in a bottle of water, a sunhat and suncream to school. We have had lots of children asking for cups of water throughout the day because they don't have a water bottle.

**Year 6 children:** The Y6 children will be bringing their hoodies home today! They can pack them to bring them to Skern next week or wear them to school if they are staying in school. If any **Year 6** children would like to help out at the Bierton School fete on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June then we would really appreciate their help! Please email [fobs@biertoncombined.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:fobs@biertoncombined.bucks.sch.uk) if your child would like to help on a stall.

### Homework

There will be no homework set on Monday as it is half term week. If you would like to support your child over half term with their learning, completing Times Table Rockstars and reading/quizzing would be fantastic.

Accelerated Reader website: <http://ukhosted93.renlearn.co.uk/6703196>

### Our Learning

**Literacy:** Our learning in literacy over the past few weeks has been on developing our own creative, independent writing. We have been finding out how to create tension and suspense in our writing. We watched a 'Nike' advert and discussed ways tension was created. The advert ended at a crucial point! We then tried to recreate suspense and tension in our own independent writing. Some of us chose to write about a crucial time when Ronaldo was on the pitch or about a time when we felt nervous before going on stage to perform. Our writing was amazing and the teachers were hooked all the way through.

**Science:** This half term we have been carrying out various investigations linked to 'Light.' We have found out how shadows are formed and how we can make shadows smaller or bigger. We have learnt the difference between Natural and Man-made light sources. We have also been finding out about different lenses and what refraction is.

**PE:** We have been developing our cricket and tennis skills in school. We have been having lots of fun on the MUGA and field, making the most of the weather. Our teachers are so proud of the great sportsmanship we have been displaying and how supportive we have been to each other.



**Art:** This week our children have been creating some art worked linked to 'bluebells and thistles' and will take part in an art exhibition in school.







### Superstar Learners

#### Christian Values Certificates:

##### Christian Value awards:

###### **Walnut Class:**

Dylan J-Responsibility

Isaak - Responsibility

###### **Sycamore Class:**

Ella-Responsibility

Shoaib-Responsibility

###### **Spruce Class:**

Sienna-Honesty

Arabella-Respec

### Diary Dates

**W/C 22<sup>nd</sup> May:** Year 6 Residential to Skern Lodge

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May:** End of Summer Term 1 (school closes at 3:15pm)

**W/C 29<sup>th</sup> May:** Half Term

**W/C 12<sup>th</sup> June:** Art/DT week

**15<sup>th</sup> June:** Parents in for art/DT session at 1:45pm.