

23rd May 2018



# Bridgewater Summer 1 Newsletter



## *A note from Mrs Henderson*

What a busy half-term! Our children have all been working hard to demonstrate their learning. Thank you for supporting your child to do their very best. I am so proud of all that we have achieved together this year so far. I want to especially thank all the staff for their continued commitment in achieving high standards for all. A special thank you to our wonderful Year 6 and Year 2 children who have completed their assessments. Have a lovely break and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 4th of June for our last half-term!



## School Council News

The children have especially enjoyed the new playground markings chosen by our school council, in consultation with their classes. We would also like to inform you that we raised £250.95 at the Bridgewater Easter Bingo and are now planning our annual Summer Fair, which will be held on Tuesday 17th July 2018 at 2pm. If you would like to help at the fair or have a stall please speak to Mrs McWalters.

## Eco-Action News

This half-term the Eco-Action Team have been busy in the vegetable plot. You may have noticed the wigwam of canes that we are encouraging beans and peas to climb up. We harvested a healthy crop of rhubarb, which we made into rhubarb crumble. It was delicious!

## Important reminder

As of the 4<sup>th</sup> June. The majority of our letters will be sent via email. If you haven't yet provided us with your email address, please do so by emailing:

[bridgewater.primaryschool@salford.gov.uk](mailto:bridgewater.primaryschool@salford.gov.uk)

## Important Dates next half term:

### 4th-8th June 2018:

Year 6 Visit Lledr Hall

### 6th June 2018:

Reception Open Morning

### 11th-15th June 2018:

Year 1 Phonics Check

### 13th June 2018:

Reception 2 Class Assembly

### 18th June 2018:

Year 5 AH Visit Whitworth Art Gallery

### 19th June 2018:

Year 5 RD Visit Whitworth Art Gallery

Year 3 Visit Buxton Country Park

### 20th June 2018:

Maths Parent Workshop

### 22nd June 2018:

Year 1 Visit Blackpool Zoo

### 27th June 2018:

Sports Day

### 28th June 2018:

Class Photographs

### 29th June 2018:

EYFS Visit Manchester Airport

### 2nd-6th July 2018:

Art Week

Year 5 Bikeability

Year 6 Transition Visits

### 2nd July 2018:

Parent Forum

### 4th July 2018:

Nursery Assembly

New To EYFS Meeting (evening)

### 5th July 2018:

Year 2 Church Experience

### 6th July 2018:

Transition Day

### 9th-12th July 2018:

Year 5 Bikeability

### 9th July 2018:

Full Governor Body Meeting

School closes 18th July 2018 for Summer

# Nursery

This half term we have really enjoyed learning about Spring, minibeasts and growing. The fantastic Creepy Crawly Show brought lots of minibeasts and unusual creatures for us to learn about. Some of us were brave enough to meet them up close and personally!



# Reception

We have had so much fun in Reception this half-term learning about minibeasts. A special creepy crawly visitor came to show us some amazing creatures from around the world. We got to hold and learn interesting facts about corn snakes, Amazonian cockroaches, tarantulas and giant African snails! We then did some of our own research by going on bug-hunts and looking up facts in books and on the internet. Here are some pictures of us from the Creepy Crawly show. More recently we have begun learning all about Pirates, we have been building and creating our own class Pirate ship and researching lots of Pirate facts!



# Year 1

This half term Year One have been learning all about animals. We had a special visit from George and Emmett the rabbits. Year One were given a demonstrate on how to care for and handle pets. George and Emmett agreed that Year One are super at looking after pets! Next half term we look forward to learning about wild animals on our trip to Blackpool Zoo. In Geography, we have been learning about our local environment. During the first week back, Year One will go on a tour of the local area to find out more about Little Hulton and Walkden.



# Year 2

This half term Year 2 have been very busy. We have been reading Traction Man in English and creating our own superheroes and sidekicks to tell stories with.

In Maths, we have been practising multiplication and division on a number line, looking at using money and giving change. We have also been learning to tell the time and read scales when measuring weight, length and mass.

We started a new Topic in History and Geography, 'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside' and have been learning all about what seaside holidays were like in the past. We've created our own Punch and Judy puppets and retold a traditional Punch and Judy story.

Our Science topic has been 'How does 5 a day keep me healthy?' and we have started to look at how to stay healthy.



# Year 3

Year three have had a busy but enjoyable term so far. In Science, our focus has been rocks which has nicely complemented our learning of volcanoes in Geography. We will be continuing our exploration of volcanoes, rocks and extreme weather next term, and excitedly await our trip to Buxton Country Park and Poole's Cavern on Tuesday 19th June! We thoroughly enjoyed the Science Dome visit where we learnt so much about our planet. We had a Royal Wedding Workshop, where we learnt all about the Royal family and the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. In English and Maths we have been recapping lots of our prior learning. We wish you a lovely half term break and look forward to the final half term in Year three.



# YEAR 4

This term we have really enjoyed learning about Manchester in our Geography topic. We performed our class assembly to share all of our learning about our local area. We also presented an A-Z of Manchester. In Science, we have explored the school grounds to see what plants and flowers are in our locality. In English we have read two books by Colin Thompson and created our own stories inspired by the author! In Maths we have been looking at mm, cm, m and km and converting using these measurements. We also used objects in the classroom to estimate their length in cm before accurately measuring.



# Year 5

During our History lessons, we have been learning about Medieval England. We learnt about when the crusades happened and why they happened. Interestingly, did you know that in 1212, the children went on a crusade? They were instantly defeated. We have learnt about torches and are currently in the process of building them using various materials such as bulbs, batteries, paper and wires. During our PSHCE lessons, we have been learning about relationships and staying safe and healthy in particular first aid. During our English lessons, we have read the story Birthday Bunny that was then transformed into Battle Bunny. We found the story thrilling and unusual. In Science, we have studied Living Things and their life Cycles. We learnt about reproduction, habitats and life cycles of plants and animals. What do you think came first, the chicken or the egg?



# Year 6

Well done  
Year 6!

Year 6 have worked incredibly hard this half term to prepare for the Key Stage 2 SATs tests. On the week beginning the 14th May the children completed six tests over four days, they really did us proud; they were calm and mature throughout the process. In English, the children have enjoyed learning about the tragic tale of Romeo and Juliet, which really challenged their beliefs in loyalty and honour. In Maths, they have enjoyed challenging investigations, using lots of trial and error, using resilience and teamwork too. Finally in Topic, they have enjoyed learning about the life and work of William Shakespeare and his lasting-legacy. The children look forward to investigating circuits and designing their own moving toy. We will also be exploring our local area, Salford and developing our map reading skills in our topic work and of course we are all very excited about Lledr too!



Year 6 Leaver's Assembly  
will be taking place at 2pm on 18th July.

**School reopens on Monday 4th June 2018.**